July 16, 2021

Mayors and Select Boards of the following cities and towns:

RE: CORRECTION to July 15, 2021 Notice

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Due to Paralytic Shellfish Poison (PSP) toxin (also known as “Red Tide”) in shellfish, the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries has closed for the harvest of ALL bivalve shellfish and carnivorous snails in shellfish growing areas N1 through N28, and MB1 through MB14.

Therefore, under authority of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 130, Section 74A and 75, the status of the below-defined areas will be changed to "CLOSED TO SHELLFISHING" effective at 4:00 PM Friday July 16, 2021. Digging, harvesting or collecting, and/or attempting to dig, harvest or collect and the possession of shellfish or carnivorous snails in shellfish growing areas N1 through N28, and MB1 through MB14 is prohibited.

Under authority of 322 CMR 7.01(7) all permits issued thereunder are hereby conditioned to prohibit the taking, selling or possession of shellfish or carnivorous snails in shellfish growing areas N1 through N28, and MB1 through MB14. These areas will remain closed until further notice.

AREAS CLOSED TO THE HARVEST OF ALL SHELLFISH AND CARNIVOROUS SNAILS

N1-N28

MB1-MB14

The waters, flats and tributaries in shellfish growing areas MB1, MB2, MB3, MB4, MB5, MB6, MB7, MB8, MB9, MB10, MB11, MB12, MB13, and MB14 in the cities and towns of Boston, Cohasset, Duxbury, Hull, Marshfield, Plymouth, Scituate, and marine waters managed by the Commonwealth.

All previous bacterial and marine biotoxin closures remain in effect.

Sincerely,

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