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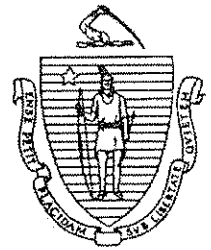
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Honorable Coastal Mayors and Selectboards of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 130, section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, MGL, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that those areas closed due to northeast storm of January 26-27, 2015, listed below now meet the National Shellfish Sanitation Program guidelines for an "OPEN" status.

Therefore under authority of MGL, Chapter 130, Section 74A, 75 and 322 CMR 7.01 (7) the below-defined areas will revert to their former status prior to the closure of January 26, 2105; **effective at 09:30 Thursday, January 29, 2015.**

Those areas previously classified as APPROVED and in the "OPEN " status to shellfish harvesting are now open to the harvest of shellfish for direct human consumption subject to local rules and regulations under authority of MGL Chapter 130, section 52.

Similarly, those areas classified as CONDITIONALLY APPROVED are open subject to the classification conditions. Areas classified as RESTRICTED, CONDITIONALLY RESTRICTED and PROHIBITED remain closed to the harvest of shellfish for direct human consumption.

STATUS: OPEN TO THE TAKING OF SHELLFISH

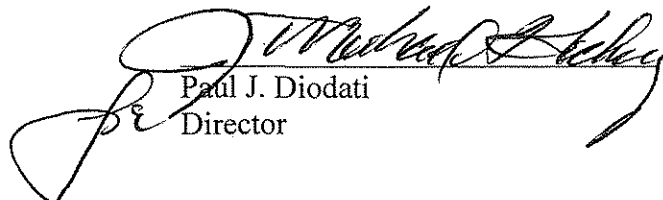
"The waters, flats and all tributaries of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts from the New Hampshire – Massachusetts State line south to the Rhode Island – Massachusetts State Line out to the State Boundary Line. This includes BB1-BB58, CCB1- CCB36, CCB38-CCB51, MB1, OC1-OC10, SC1-SC64, NT1, NT6-NT14, V1-V36, E1- E14, N1, N3, N4, N6-N9 and NS1-NS4.

STATUS: CLOSED TO THE TAKING OF SHELLFISH

All other areas not listed above remain closed, until notice including, N2, N26, GBH1-GBH6, NT2-NT5, MB2-MB14, CCB37 and V11.6.

The taking of scallops is allowed in these closed areas for the landing of the abductor muscle only.

Sincerely,


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Shellfish Constables of the cities and towns listed above