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Audrey Mayer
Supervisor – New England Field Office
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Northeast Region – Ecological Services
70 Commercial St., Suite 300
Concord, NH 03301

RE: Funding assurances for implementation of the Massachusetts Statewide Piping Plover Habitat Conservation Plan in 2023 and 2024 per conditions L. and M. of the USFWS Incidental Take Permit TE01281C-0

Dear Ms. Mayer:

We are writing to confirm that the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (MassWildlife) has secured adequate funding to fulfill its Statewide Piping Plover Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) obligations for Fiscal Year 2023, in accordance with the budget presented in the Final HCP.

Additionally, MassWildlife has requested from the legislature adequate funding to fulfill its HCP obligations for Fiscal Year 2024, in accordance with the budget presented in the Final HCP.

Sincerely,

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Director

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cc: Karen Dolan, MassWildlife Finance and Projects Administrator, NHESP
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