

# Department of Environmental Protection

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#### December 2018

12/31/18: MassDEP during the month of December 2018, issued 14 notices of noncompliance to Underground Storage Tank (UST) facility owner/operators for failing to have third-party inspections performed. The TPI inspections are required in the UST regulations. In addition, one notice was issued for not submitting a return to compliance report, and three notices were issued for not completing compliance certifications by their respective due dates through the end of November 2018. The agency gave offenders 45 days to return to compliance. The entities that fail to do so will be subject to additional enforcement measures, including financial penalties. More here

12/27/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order in connection with the reactivation of an inactive Public Water System at the Chesterfield General Store, Inc. in Chesterfield. Today's Order outlines requirements for reactivation including improvements to the system.

12/27/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$30,000 Penalty involving the Academy of Notre Dame in for Wetlands violations in Tyngsborough. The violations involved unpermitted forest cutting that occurred in July 2017 on the Academy's property and on land belonging to the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife. Unpermitted work involved the removal of mature trees, shrubs and understory on inland bank, bordering vegetated wetlands and associated buffer zone within rare species habitat. The damage/removal resulted in the alteration of approximately 150 linear feet of bank, 4,400 square feet of BVW and 92,000 square feet (2.1 acres) of buffer zone. The matter was referred to MassDEP by the Tyngsborough Conservation Commission after it was unable to reach agreement with the Academy and its consultant. The Academy has agreed to pay a \$20,000 of the Penalty and the remainder

will be suspended pending compliance. The Academy also agreed to implement a restoration plan for its own land and for DFW's property which includes planting trees and shrubs.

12/20/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$1,720 Penalty involving Monroe Water District in Monroe. Monroe Water District has agreed under today's Order to address its operator staffing deficiency and to ensure sufficient disinfection in accordance with the Surface Water Treatment Rule. The Penalty will be fully suspended if over two years the system has returned to, and maintained, compliance.

12/20/18: MassDEP entered into a \$30,000 Penalty involving Grove Hall Cheney, LLC for Waste Site Cleanup violations at 4-18 Cheney Street in Dorchester (Boston). Grove Hall Cheney, LLC is the owner of the property at 4-18 Cheney Street where specific violations were for failure to comply with a Notice of Noncompliance MassDEP issued on 5/30/14. MassDEP and Grove Hall Cheney LLC agreed to a schedule to return the site to compliance. Grove Hall Cheney will pay \$4,000 and the remaining \$26,000 will be suspended pending compliance and that a permanent solution statement is submitted by 2/28/21.

12/19/18: MassDEP issued a Declaration of Water Supply Emergency Bernardston Water and Fire District in Bernardston. The District had requested the Declaration to allow the District to pump one well beyond its approved capacity while the District repairs or replaces a failing well pump.

12/18/18: MassDEP executed a Consent Order with Thuy Thi Tran and Tam Vuong (d/b/a Brite Cleaners, Inc.) for Air Quality violations in Worcester. As a result of failing to comply with individual Notices of Noncompliance that MassDEP issued to the on 2/8/16, the respondents were issued Unilateral Orders to Ms. Tran and her son, the dry cleaner operator, Tam Vuong. The Orders require the individuals to immediately comply with the Air Pollution Control regulations pertaining to: inspecting weekly their dry cleaning machines for vapor leaks; monitoring weekly the machines' refrigeration systems' pressures or the temperature of the gasvapor stream of the refrigerated condensers; and, keeping a log of perchloroethylene purchases and other activities. The individuals must also submit the 2018 Environmental Results Program Dry Cleaner Compliance Certification form and a report on their compliance actions

12/18/18: MassDEP issued a \$63,750 Demand Notice to the Green Acres Reclamation Project in Uxbridge. The Demand Letter is for payment of stipulated penalties to the owner and operator of the Green Acres Reclamation Project for violations of the terms of a previously-signed Consent Order. The violations include submitting incomplete monthly inspection reports and failure to immediately cease accepting soil from a source site after being notified by the third-party inspector that a load from that source had failed to meet acceptance criteria. The violations also include having failed to submit monthly third-party inspection reports and quarterly construction status reports since the Worcester Superior Court issued a temporary restraining order in February 2018. That restraining order enjoined the owner and operator from importing fill under this project.

12/17/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with an \$8,000 Penalty involving LENCO Industries, Inc., for Air Quality, Hazardous Waste Management violations in Pittsfield. Violations included excessive use of coatings and volatile organic compound emissions, failure to keep adequate coatings usage records and failure to comply with air pollution and hazardous waste housekeeping standards. MassDEP had inspected and reviewed information submitted by the company. LENCO has since initiated corrective actions to address the noncompliance issues at its facility immediately after the inspection. As part of today's Order, LENCO will pay a \$5,000 of the Penalty, with an additional \$3,000 suspended pending the company's compliance with the terms of today's agreement.

12/13/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with Archibald Johnston, Tamara Johnston and Lighthouse Environmental Management, LLC, for Waste Site Cleanup violations in Berlin. The violations stem from allowing the importation of fill material to the Johnston's' property at 24 Ball Hill Road, Berlin. The terms of today's Order establish protocols for tracking, inspection, testing and reporting requirements for shipment of soil and fill materials to the property.

12/11/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with an \$8,280 Penalty involving Acton Research Corporation for Industrial Wastewater and Hazardous Waste Management violations in Acton. MassDEP conducted a multimedia inspection on 2/20/17 and observed violations at the optical lens manufacturing facility. During the inspection, it was observed that the company had acted out of its registered status as a small quantity generator of Hazardous Waste by holding onto waste for more than 180

days and was discharging laboratory rinse waters to a septic system without a groundwater discharge permit. The company has corrected the violations and will pay \$2,070 of the Penalty and will purchase a gear drying cabinet for the Acton Fire Department for \$6,210 as part of a Supplemental Environmental Project that is part of today's Order.

12/11/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$3,000 Penalty involving Turboprop East, Inc. for Air Quality and Hazardous Waste Management violations in North Adams. The company provides aircraft maintenance and service and during inspection, MassDEP identified the violations including failure to maintain solvent usage records, storing of waste oil onsite in excess of the allowable time limit and not complying with some hazardous waste management practices. As part of the settlement agreement, Turboprop will correct the noncompliance issues at its facility and will pay the full Penalty.

12/11/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$4,300 Penalty involving John S. Lane & Son, Inc., for Hazardous Waste Management and Underground Storage Tank violations in West Stockbridge. John S. Lane & Son, Inc., which is based in Westfield, but the tank violations were found at its West Stockbridge quarry. A MassDEP inspection and subsequent information submitted by the company identified violations including accumulating hazardous waste for a longer time period than allowed. The company failed to keep a trained underground storage tank operator present on site and failure to comply with the underground storage tank recordkeeping standards and hazardous waste housekeeping standards. As part of the settlement agreement, John S. Lane & Son will correct the noncompliance issues and pay the full \$4,300 Penalty.

12/11/18: MassDEP issued a Declaration of a Water Supply Emergency to the town of Burlington. Due to the limited production capacity at the Vine Brook Treatment Plant caused by the 1,4, dioxane contamination of drinking water wells, the Mill Pond Facility shut down in order to remove sludge from the sedimentation basin. Although there is no outdoor watering this time of the year, the Vine Brook treatment facility is not sufficient to supply the distribution system while the Mill pond Treatment Plant is off-line for maintenance, when the demand during winter is 2.5 million gallons per day. Today's Declaration allows Burlington to purchase water from the town of Lexington via an existing emergency interconnection.

12/11/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$17,250 Penalty involving Brookside Mill Condominium Trust for Groundwater Discharge violations in Westford. Brookside Mill is located within the protective area (designated Zone II) of a public water supply and, as such, is subject to stringent effluent limitations for total suspended solids, total nitrogen and turbidity. Brookside Mill has been violating those limits for a number of years, which prompted a previous Consent Order, as well as several lower level enforcement actions before that. Today's Order, however, now requires that Brookside Mill submit a Return to Compliance ("RTC") Plan with schedule that assesses alternatives to modify operations or components of the wastewater treatment processes to comply with its existing permit. Six months after implementing the RTC, a report outlining compliance under the new operational protocols shall be submitted. If there are continuing compliance issues, at that point, an engineering assessment of the wastewater treatment plant shall be undertaken. The Trust will pay \$6,000 of the Penalty and the remaining \$11,250 suspended by MassDEP provided Brookside Mill successfully complete all required actions.

12/11/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$6,996 Penalty involving South Center Realty, LLC, for Wetlands violations in Bellingham. While South Center Realty, LLC is located in Milford the violations of the Wetlands Protection Act occurred at its residential development project at Lakeview Estates in Bellingham. The project is being conducted by the company under a Superseding Order of Conditions issued by MassDEP. On 2/26/18 MassDEP inspector observed that failures of erosion controls at the project had resulted in the deposition of sediment in Bordering Vegetated Wetlands. MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to the company on 3/9/18 requiring it to restore the affected wetlands. On 9/20/18, the company informed MassDEP that a second erosion control failure had resulted in further unpermitted wetland alterations in a second area of the project, and on 9/28/18 MassDEP issued a second Order requiring the company restore that wetland resource area as well. In today's Order, the company has now agreed to pay a penalty of \$6,696 for the two violations of the Wetlands Protection Act.

12/7/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$34,500 Penalty involving Triumvirate Environmental (Merrimack), Inc., for Hazardous Waste Management violations in Lowell. The facility at 263 Howard Street

in Lowell is a licensed Hazardous Waste (HW) Treatment, Storage and/or Disposal Facility (TSDF). On 4/12/18, MassDEP inspected the TSDF and observed incompatible containers being stored next to each other without any means of physical separation, a container not in good condition, and a roll-off container being stored in an unauthorized location at the Facility. Triumvirate agreed to pay a civil administrative penalty of \$34,500, with \$17,250 suspended provided the company corrects the violations and remains in compliance for one year.

12/6/18: MassDEP issued a Demand for a \$102,000 Penalty to Southbridge Recycling & Disposal Park (SRDP) for payment of Stipulated Penalties for violations in Southbridge. SRDP operates the Southbridge Landfill and violated the provisions of a previous Consent Order signed on 10/24/18. Violations observed and/or verified includes off-site odors, improper containment berms, failure to cover solid waste with a minimum of six inches of daily cover material, failure to provide adequate erosion controls, failure to prevent contact stormwater from discharging from the landfill to unlined areas, and failure to resolve noncompliance issues or problems noted in the inspection reports prepared by SRDP's third-party consulting engineer.

12/3/18: MassDEP entered into an Amendment to an existing Consent Order involving Hume Lake Christian Camps in Monterey involving Water Supply compliance. Today's Amendment addresses existing and new sources, their construction and use. The amendment provides additional time for certain compliance actions.

12/3/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with Mold Plus LLC for Asbestos violations in Worcester. The violations occurred during an asbestos-removal project conducted at an occupied residential property in Worcester. MassDEP found during a December 2016 inspection that Mold Plus LLC personnel had removed asbestos containing pipe insulation without using any of the required containment or HEPA filtration units. Additionally, the required asbestos survey had not been conducted prior to conducting the asbestos abatement activity. Also, no notification was filed with MassDEP for the work. Numerous pieces of dry, asbestos containing pipe insulation were observed lying uncontained on the basement floor at the site. Following the inspection, the property owner was required to retain a Massachusetts Division of Labor Standards-licensed asbestos

contractor to clean and decontaminate all affected areas of the property and properly wet, package, label and dispose of all asbestos containing and asbestos contaminated waste.

#### November 2018

11/30/18: MassDEP issued twelve (12) Notices of Noncompliance and six (6) Reporting Penalty Assessment Notices to Underground Storage Tank facility owner/operators. These entities failed to have UST Third Party inspections performed, and for not submitting the required return to compliance reports, and for not completing Compliance Certifications by their respective due dates through 10/31. MassDEP has given all of the offenders 45 days to return to compliance, and informed those receiving NONs that they could be subject to additional enforcement measures, including financial penalties. More information:

https://www.mass.gov/guides/massdep-underground-storage-tank-ust-program

11/30/18: MassDEP issued a Notice of Noncompliance to Natural Landscape Supply Co. of Northborough. This company failed to provide a response to MassDEP's Request for Information (RFI). The RFI was issued to ascertain the nature and amount of organic matter arranged to be transported to the SA Farm in Northborough. The SA Farm has been the subject of numerous odor complaints attributed to imported material including cranberry wastes, bread dough and fish crumbs used as feed for livestock. Today's Order requires a written response to the RFI by 12/11/18.

11/28/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$27,500 Penalty involving Univar USA Inc. for Waste Site Cleanup violations in Clinton. The violations are related to an October 2016 chlorine gas release at the Clinton MWRA wastewater treatment facility. Univar failed to timely report the release to MassDEP and failed to perform adequate assessment during the initial response to the release to determine specific actions necessary to be protective of human health. Univar has agreed to pay the Penalty and to re-train its employees on notification and response action requirements and to submit copies of all training materials and a list of trained employees.

11/27/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$4,024 Penalty for Hazardous Waste Management violations by Simonds Saw L.L.C., in Fitchburg. MassDEP inspected the facility on 6/15/18 and observed the industrial metal cutting tools manufacturing facility had acted out of its registered status as a large quantity generator. The storage facility was holding onto waste for more than 90 days and had not properly labeled the storage tank and 55-gallon drums. The company subsequently corrected the violations as was demonstrated by the time of MassDEP's return visit.

11/26/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$2,875 Penalty involving Green Clean Enterprise Corp., d/b/a Lapels, for Ground Water Discharge violations in Marshfield. A site inspection by MassDEP revealed the company had been discharging industrial wastewater from the wetwashing activities to the on-site septic system and therefore discharging pollutants to ground waters of the Commonwealth without a currently valid permit. Today's Order ensures compliance. The Penalty is suspended provided the company does not violate any provision of the Order.

11/21/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$21,000 Penalty involving Land Air Express of New England, LTD., for Waste Site Cleanup v8iolations in Easton. The violations occurred at 600 Turnpike Street in Easton on 2/19/18 when a release of diesel fuel occurred on the Land Air Express property. An employee overfilled a saddle tank on a company truck resulting in approximately 15-20 gallons of diesel fuel being released onto the concrete pad and asphalt pavement surrounding the fueling station. Following the release, several employees responded by cleaning up the spilled fuel without notifying MassDEP. Land Air Express failed to notify MassDEP about a release of oil greater than ten (10) gallons and performed Immediate Response Actions prior to notifying MassDEP. Land Air Express agreed to pay \$10,000 of the Penalty with the remaining \$11,000 suspended pending compliance.

11/21/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$45,750 Penalty involving Raytheon Company for Wetlands violations at 350 Lowell Street in Andover. The violations occurred on Raytheon campus facility, and on adjacent town of Andover land. MassDEP conducted an inspection of the area in response to a complaint and found that work being conducted associated with a beaver dam removal had destroyed vegetation and disturbed soils resulting in approximately 5,000 square feet of bordering vegetated wetland (BVW) alteration. Such activity also resulted in

significant siltation to an intermittent stream causing alteration to bank. The activity was conducted well beyond the scope of work approved in an emergency certificate issued by the Andover Conservation Commission for the dam removal. Today's Order requires full restoration of the BVW and bank with long-term monitoring and reporting. The company will pay \$20,000 of the Penalty with \$25,750 suspended if in compliance after one year beyond final monitoring report deadline.

11/20/18: MassDEP executed a Consent Order with a \$4,000 Penalty involving Lorenzo Mercado and Yeti Mercado for Waste Site Cleanup violations at 208-218 Columbia Road in Dorchester (Boston). The Mercados are the owners of the property at 208-218 Columbia Road. The owners must submit a Phase II Report by 10/30/19. In addition, a subsequent Phase III and Phase IV Report is due by 12/30/19 and a Permanent or Temporary Solution or, if appropriate, a Remedy Operation Status by 10/30/20. The property is a single-story retail structure with four rental units and was first listed for the release of oil and/or hazardous material with MassDEP since 2012. Today's Order now requires the payment of a \$4,000 Penalty and contains a stipulated penalty provision for any missed deadlines.

11/20/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$1,440 Penalty involving Kochman, Reidt & Haigh Inc. for Air Quality violations in Stoughton. The company will pay the Penalty and ensure compliance with applicable requirements going forward.

11/19/18: MassDEP issued a Demand Letter for a Stipulated Penalty of \$6,000 to Nasoya Foods USA LLC for violations of an an existing Consent Order. Due to continuing odor complaints from nearby residents against Nasoya, a tofu manufacturing plant in Ayer, MassDEP issued this, the third Demand, for the violations. This Demand represents six days of odor episodes confirmed by its consultant or the company, in violation of a 2017 Order, which was executed 4/27/18. To address the continued violations, the company has submitted an application for a regenerative thermal oxidizer and begun its installation. The oxidizer will replace the current wet scrubber that treats exhaust gases from the bio-towers of the industrial wastewater pretreatment system.

11/15/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Worthington Fire District for Water Supply violations in Worthington. The violations involved the

detection of e coli. bacteria under the Ground Water Rule both wells serving the Otis Poultry Farm, a country store and bakery. Today's Order requires investigation, public notice, corrective actions and water quality monitoring.

11/14/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Dynamic Energy Solutions LLC, for Wetlands and Water Quality violations in Williamsburg. The developer and site contractor alleged violations occurred at an active solar construction site which impacted the West Branch of the Mill River.

11/14/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Hull Forest Products LP, for Wetlands and Water Quality violations in Williamsburg. The owner of the site at 103 Briar Hill Road alleged violations occurred at an active solar construction site which impacted the West Branch of the Mill River.

11/14/18: MassDEP entered into an Amendment to an existing Consent Order with the town of Dunstable for Water Supply compliance in Dunstable. The original Order on 6/19/18 required Dunstable to make improvements to its corrosion control system and install a new storage tank. The amendment provides additional time to complete these action items.

11/13/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Dynamic Energy Solutions LLC for Wetlands violations in Williamsburg. The company is a developer and site contractor that MassDEP alleges had wetlands and water quality violations at an active solar construction site which impacted the West Branch of the Mill River.

11/13/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Hull Forest Products LP, for Wetlands violations in Williamsburg. The company is the owner of the site at 103 Briar Hill Road for wetlands and water quality violations at an active solar construction site which impacted the West Branch of the Mill River.

11/9/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$7,500 Penalty involving Campello Keith Oil Company for Waste Site Cleanup violations in Brockton. The company failed to complete the required comprehensive response actions by the deadlines established under the regulations. MassDEP issued a Notice of Noncompliance outlining the violations and

the company's requirements on 10/13/17. The company did not comply with that NON, nor did it contact MassDEP.

11/8/18: MassDEP entered into an Amendment to an existing Consent Order with the town of Maynard for Water Supply compliance. The original Order executed on 2/6/17 required Maynard to install emergency power at one of its wells and to modify its water treatment plant. The amendment provides additional time to complete these action items.

11/7/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$54,600 Penalty involving Cnossen Realty Trust for Wetlands violations in Uxbridge. The violations at this property occurred off Commerce Drive in Uxbridge. MassDEP staff inspected the property in response to a request from the local Conservation Commission and found that the Trust had cleared and altered 780 linear feet of bank, 45,524 square feet of bordering vegetated wetlands, 28,624 square feet of riverfront area, and 114,593 square feet of bordering land subject to flooding, all within an natural heritage and endangered species priority and estimated habitat without obtaining an Order of Conditions. The Trust has agreed to restore the altered wetland resource areas, to pursue certification of potential vernal pools in the altered area, and to pay the Penalty.

11/6/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Pyenson Realty Corporation for Water Supply violations in Otis. The violations are due to the detection of e coli. bacteria. That detection, under the Ground Water Rule, constituted the violation. There are two wells serving the Otis Poultry Farm, a country store and bakery. The Order requires investigation, public notice, corrective actions and water quality monitoring.

11/5/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$34,000 Penalty involving US Petroleum Inc. for Waste Site Cleanup violations at 70 Galen Street in Watertown. The company is the owner/operator of a gas station which is being closed and the lot will be sold for redevelopment. Todays' Order was issued due to a failure to comply with a Notice of Noncompliance issued 3/7/16, and a Consent Order on 4/25/17. The NON required either a permanent or temporary solution statement by 3/20/17. US Petroleum has agreed to pay \$6,000 of the Penalty with \$28,000 suspended.

11/5/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$32,000 Penalty involving Oscar Ramirez for Waste Site Cleanup violations at 17 Cardington Avenue in Billerica. Ramirez, is the owner of a home at this address where a failure to comply with a Notice of Noncompliance was issued by MassDEP on 5/8/18. That NON required a Release Notification Form, an Immediate Response Action Plan or Completion Report and either a Permanent Solution Statement or a Phase I Report and a Tier Classification by 11/6/19. Ramirez has agreed to pay \$500 paid and with \$31,500 of the penalty suspended pending compliance.

11/5/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$12,500 Penalty involving Watermark Construction & Development, Inc. for Waste Site Cleanup violations at 1785 Columbus Avenue in Boston. The company failed to meet the requirements by not notifying MassDEP of contaminated soil on the property within 120 days of knowledge as required. Contamination was identified on the property during an assessment of the property in December of 2016. MassDEP was notified of the contamination on October 31, 2017, more than 120 days after date of knowledge. Watermark Construction & Development, Inc. has agreed to pay \$1,000 of the Penalty with \$11,500 suspended pending compliance. This large block is being developed into commercial and residential units. There are plans for retail units on the ground floor, office units on the upper floors and a center for homeless children on the second and third floor at the acre site.

#### October 2018

10/31/18: MassDEP issued nine (9) Notices of Noncompliance to facility owner/operators during the month of October for failing to have Underground Storage Tank (UST) third-party inspections (TPIs) performed. Of those, four (4) were for not submitting Return to Compliance Reports, and five (5) for not completing Compliance Certifications by their respective due dates through 9/30. MassDEP has given the offenders 45 days to return to compliance. Those failing to do so will be subject to additional enforcement measures, including financial penalties. More information: <a href="https://www.mass.gov/guides/massdep-underground-storage-tank-ust-program">https://www.mass.gov/guides/massdep-underground-storage-tank-ust-program</a>

10/29/18: MassDEP executed a Consent Order with a \$28,500 Penalty involving Air Safe for Asbestos violations in Ayer. Air Safe is a Department of Labor Standard licensed asbestos contractor. The violations occurred

during an asbestos removal conducted in the basement an occupied residence in Ayer. Under the terms of today's Order, Air Safe will pay \$18,000 with the balance of the penalty suspended provided there are no further violations for one year. The violations were discovered during an October 2017 compliance inspection by MassDEP. At the time of the inspection, Air Safe, Inc. had completed the work and was no longer on site but CERO inspectors found pieces of dry, friable asbestos-containing insulation remaining on the heating system pipes and on a basement window sill. MassDEP required Air Safe, Inc. to return to the site and clean and decontaminate all affected areas of the basement and properly wet, package, label and dispose of all remaining asbestos containing waste.

10/26/18: MassDEP executed a Consent Order with Boston RV Resort & Cottages-Sturbridge LLC for Groundwater Discharge violations in Sturbridge. The LLC is required to obtain a groundwater discharge permit and install a wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). Today's Order supersedes a previously issued Order from 2009 to the previous owner that operated at that time, a 399-capacity campground with wastewater flows greater than 10,000 gallons discharging to several outdated septic systems Title 5). The new owner is in the process of renovating the facility and is proposing 345 campsites with an expected flow of 31,050 gallons per day of wastewater. Today's Order establishes a schedule for permitting and construction the WWTP.

10/26/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order and a \$5,750 Penalty Assessment Notice to John Staffier III of Pepperell. As a result of an investigation by MassDEP at the request of the Pepperell Fire Department, today's Order is due to a violation of the Ground Water Discharge Permit Program regulations. MassDEP observed on 2/5/18 that Staffier was washing out 300-gallon tote containers that were used to hold bark mulch dye, and discharged the waste water to the street. The water entered a nearby storm drain and discharged to the bare ground behind some houses. During a subsequent enforcement conference, Staffier denied any wrong-doing and would not agree to Consent Order resulting in today's Unilateral Order and Penalty.

10/24/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with an \$85,323.75 Penalty involving Southbridge Recycling & Disposal Park, Inc., (SRDP) for Solid Waste violations in Southbridge. SRDP operates the Southbridge Landfill. Under today's Order, in addition to complying fully with all

applicable regulations and permit conditions, SRDP is required to fund a qualified third-party consultant to perform inspections at the landfill. The consultant will be present at the landfill during the last two hours of operation on all days when waste related activities occur. The consulting engineer will report his/her findings to SRDP, the town of Southbridge and to MassDEP and help ensure all protocols/permit conditions are in compliance.

10/19/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with \$2,000 Penalty involving Hallamore Pipe Venture Corporation for Waste Site Cleanup violations in Westfield. Hallamore Pipe Venture Corporation is located in Plainville, but the violations occurred at its 69 Neck Road property in Westfield. Today's Order requires Hallamore to file a Permanent Solution within 90 days and payment of \$1,000 of the Penalty. The additional \$1,000 will be suspended pending compliance. The Permanent Solution will be subject to MassDEP's audit for compliance with Waste Site Cleanup regulations. Hallamore will be required to address any areas of noncompliance noted in that audit. A release of number #6 fuel oil was first reported to MassDEP on 9/25/89. The presence of light, non-aqueous phase liquid (LNAPL) prevented Hallamore from achieving a Permanent Solution and Hallamore filed a Temporary Solution for the site in March 2003. Hallamore was cited by MassDEP previously for failure to make timely submittal of post-Temporary Solution reports documenting that the Temporary Solution remains protective of human health and recent Departmental review indicated that Hallamore again has failed to file the necessary reports. As a result of the enforcement action, Hallamore intends to issue a Permanent Solution for the site using the Department's recent guidance to demonstrate that light non-aqueous phase liquid (LNAPL) has been removed to the extent feasible and is stable.

10/19/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Chateau Harmonie, Granby for Water Supply violations. The Order was issued due to the detection of e coli. bacteria in its distribution system resulting in a violation of drinking water regulations for bacteria. In addition to the boil water requirement, today's Order requires investigation, public notice, corrective actions and water quality monitoring.

10/19/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with Acushnet Rubber Company, d/b/a Precix, Inc., for Waste Site Cleanup violations in New Bedford. Under today's Order, MassDEP will allow Precix to extend the

deadline to tier classify, or fully assess, the contaminated site, and initiate comprehensive cleanup and response actions. Precix submitted a Downgradient Property Status Opinion in 2008 for contamination (which includes both PCBs and chlorinated VOCs in groundwater) at their property. Precix has stated that the former Aerovox property, immediately to the south of Precix, Inc., is the source of the PCBs and chlorinated VOCs in the groundwater. New and expanded groundwater information provided by the consultant for the former Aerovox facility indicates that Precix itself may be contributing to the presence of contamination in the groundwater. As such, MassDEP terminated the previous downgradient property status, and now requires Precix to complete additional evaluation, including the evaluation in the area of a potential source, which is located on the Precix property.

10/19/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to the town of Norfolk for Wetlands violations, specifically, altering wetland resource areas not permitted by its Superseding Order of Conditions (permit). The original local approval, or Order of Conditions, that would have allowed Norfolk to proceed with this municipal project was appealed by a group of 10 citizens. MassDEP received the appeal for this project: the improvement of Lawrence Street. MassDEP then issued a Superseding Order of Conditions permitting the project on 7/31/18. The contractor that was utilized by the town of Norfolk, however, altered approximately 400 linear feet of 'bank' which was not approved. MassDEP inspected the project on 9/5/18, and confirmed the unpermitted wetland resource area alterations. The town and its consultant developed a restoration plan. The Order requires and authorizes the completion of the wetland restoration.

10/19/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with Swansea for Drinking Water violation pertaining to the locational running annual averages (LRAA) violation. The town of Swansea Water District violation of LRAA for elevated levels of total trihalomethanes (TTHM's). TTHM's are disinfection byproducts resulting from reactions between chlorine and dissolved organic material. Today's Order establishes a schedule requiring a short-term response, engineering analysis, and long-term corrective actions. Additionally, Swansea is required to expand water quality monitoring in an effort to identify potential causes of discolored water periodically experienced by Swansea residents.

10/17/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with an \$8,000 Penalty involving Eastern Cast Hardware Co., Inc., for Hazardous Waste, Air Quality and Underground Storage Tank violations in West Springfield. The company, which electroplates and coats metal hardware, shipped hazardous electroplating sludge to an unauthorized company, accumulated hazardous waste for a longer time period than allowed by regulation, failed to store organic compounds in a manner which would minimize evaporation, failed to comply with numerous other hazardous waste housekeeping standards and used an unregistered underground fuel oil tank. As the company is a small business with financial hardship, the Penalty will be suspended pending full compliance.

10/16/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Santo Anza, for Odor complaints to 429 Whitney Realty Trust/Santo Anza in Northborough. The action followed hundreds of citizen complaints and MassDEP staff confirmation of odors coming from the site. The document orders the operator of the site to take immediate action to stop odors. MassDEP has been in contact with town officials and representatives of the neighborhood on this matter and is coordinating with the Attorney General's Office. Additionally, the town is pursuing a lawsuit in Worcester Superior Court against Anza.

10/15/18: MassDEP issued 19 Reporting Penalty Assessment Notices to dental practices during October for Dental Amalgam Mercury Recycling Enforcement. The RPANs include a \$500 Penalty for failing, after repeated reminders and warnings, to certify by 3/30/18 that they had installed and were operating approved amalgam separator systems to eliminate mercury from their wastewater discharges. The agency gave these violators 21 days to return to compliance, and pay overdue fees and penalties, or risk higher-level enforcement, including Penalties of up to triple the amounts issued to date. MassDEP had previously issued notices of noncompliance (NONs) to the non-filers in July, giving them 30 days to submit their overdue certifications and fee payments of \$200 per facility. More information: <a href="https://www.mass.gov/guides/massdep-dental-amalgammercury-recycling-program">https://www.mass.gov/guides/massdep-dental-amalgammercury-recycling-program</a>

10/9/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to the town of West Springfield for Drinking Water violations in West Springfield due to a loss of pressure in the northwestern service area of the Town of West Springfield public water system. The Order requires investigation, public notice, corrective actions and water quality monitoring.

10/5/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$44,048 Penalty involving Massachusetts Water Resources Authority for Waste Site Cleanup violations in Clinton. The violations are related to an October 2016 chlorine gas release at the Clinton wastewater treatment facility. MWRA failed to timely report the release to MassDEP, failed to obtain prior MassDEP approval to conduct an Immediate Response Action to address the release, failed to timely complete and submit an Imminent Hazard Evaluation for the release and failed to conform to performance standards for a Permanent Solution for the release. MWRA has agreed to perform a Supplemental Environmental Project in lieu of the entire civil administrative penalty of \$44,048. MWRA also agreed to re-train its employees on notification and response action requirements and to update its facility standard operating procedures and to submit for review and approval its facility operation and maintenance manual.

10/5/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Jiminy Peak for Water Supply violations in Hancock, specifically the detection of e coli. bacteria under the Ground Water Rule in one of its wells. Today's Order requires investigation, public notice, corrective actions and water quality monitoring.

10/5/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$1,150 Penalty involving Metfab Engineering Inc., for Air Quality violations in North Attleborough. MassDEP's multi-media inspection revealed that the facility failed to meet the volatile organic compound (VOC) requirements in the regulations at 310 CMR 7.18(30) <u>Adhesives and Sealants</u>. Today's Order requires full compliance with Air Quality requirements and full payment of the Penalty.

10/3/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with \$946 Penalty with two (2) facilities for Waste Ban Enforcement violations. First, United Natural Foods Inc. (UNFI) of Providence, Rhode Island; and, secondly, Medford-based August A. Busch Co. of Massachusetts. These facilities separately have agreed to settle violations of the state bans on disposal of recyclable materials. UNFI, a prepared health foods distributor, agreed to a \$946 penalty for delivering commercial organic material (food waste) to the Auburn Transfer Station for disposal. Busch, which distributes Anheuser Busch products, agreed to an identical penalty for delivering bottles, cans,

and cardboard to the Melrose Transfer Station for disposal. More information on waste bans: <a href="https://www.mass.gov/guides/massdep-waste-disposal-bans">https://www.mass.gov/guides/massdep-waste-disposal-bans</a>

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9/28/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to the town of Ware for Water Supply violations in Ware. The Order is due to the detection of e coli. bacteria under the Ground Water Rule in one of its wells and requires investigation, public notice, corrective actions and water quality monitoring.

9/28/18: MassDEP issued a Demand for Stipulated Penalties to Pan Am Railways for Solid Waste violations in Buckland, Hatfield, and Greenfield. In total three Demands for Stipulated Penalties for the abandonment/disposal of waste rail ties in noncompliance with a 2013 Administrative Consent Order. The Demands were issued in the amount of \$30,000 for each site.

9/27/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$28,500 Penalty involving the city of Beverly for Wetlands Protection Act violations at Essex Street and Lakeshore Avenue in Beverly. In response to a complaint MassDEP found that the city had just reconstructed a day-lighted portion of an intermittent stream that flows from Kelleher Pond to the Atlantic Ocean. The reconstruction work was on that portion of stream that flows beneath the Iron Stringer Bridge (Bridge) on the MBTA Gloucester Branch rail line. The work included excavation of the channel width, and completely armoring the sides with mortared granite blocks with granite cap stones. The city also removed recently cut tree stumps and other vegetation, regraded the soil and placed large grade stone over portions of the adjacent area up to the cap stones. The work took place while Keolis was replacing the bridge, and performing other maintenance and vegetation management on the rail line. The city's activity had no prior authorization and resulted in filling, alteration and impairment of approximately 224 linear feet of resource areas including 'Bank and 'Buffer Zone'. Today's Order requires implementation of a MassDEP approved restoration plan with long-term monitoring that includes removal of armoring, channel regrading, and performing replanting of Bank and Buffer Zone designed to enhance wildlife habitat. Today's Order also contains a penalty of \$28,500 that will be fully suspended upon successful completion of an SEP to construct a wildlife crossing tunnel at a documented active amphibian crossing on Common Lane in Beverly.

9/26/18: MassDEP executed two Consent Orders with Penalties to Dominic Realty Trust, Gloucester for Chapter 91 (Waterways) violations for the Cape Ann Marina in Gloucester. The Trust had alleged to have violated license #1720 by failing to construct and maintain a public waterfront walkway, gangway, and floats to provide continuous public access along the waterside perimeter of the property and by failing to provide a landscaped public picnic area and post signs indicating the availability of the area for public use. MassDEP assessed the Penalty for these violations, of which \$38,400 will be suspended, provided the Trust complies with the schedule established by the Order for returning to compliance. In a separate action, MassDEP alleged that the Trust violated License #1057 by undertaking certain construction activity which was the subject of a pending application for a license modification without prior approval. MassDEP assessed a penalty of \$20,700, of which \$15,700 will be suspended, provided the Trust complies with the schedule established by the Order for returning to compliance.

9/26/18: MassDEP issued a Demand for \$1,000 Stipulated Penalty to Suffolk University for Rideshare Regulation violations (Air Quality) in Boston. The University failed to submit a Rideshare Regulation compliance plan within 30 days, as the school agreed to do in a Consent Order it signed with MassDEP in July of 2018. The Rideshare Regulations requires educational institutions with 1,000 or more commuters to develop plans and set goals for reducing employee and student drive-alone trips by at least one-quarter, and submit annual reports to MassDEP. Suffolk University was previously cited for not meeting all of these obligations. More information: https://www.mass.gov/guides/massdep-rideshare-program

9/26/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$14,070 Penalty for Drinking Water violations involving the town of Avon. The violations consisted of: bypassing of approved treatment; failure to configure and maintain proper chemical alarms; failure to properly report chlorine residual results and calculations; and, failure to fully comply with the requirements of a prior Order. There is a history of noncompliance with similar provisions of the Drinking Water by the Avon Water Department. Half of the Penalty, or \$7,035 will be suspended, and the remaining \$7,035 to be paid within 30 days. The Order further requires a tight schedule for returning to compliance, and stipulated penalties for future violations.

9/17/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with Heritage Association, Inc. for Water Supply violations in Warren. Heritage Association, Inc. is the operator of the Heritage Mobile Home Park. The violations are related to the connection with the transfer of control of the public water supply without MassDEP approval. Residents of the Mobile Home Park acquired the facility and operation of the Public Water System; however it failed to file and obtain the necessary permit for the transfer of the Public Water System. The Consent Order requires that Heritage obtain the necessary approval for the transfer.

9/17/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with an \$8,750 Penalty involving Wesley B. Smith for Wetlands violations in Whately. The violations involve Smith's address to cutting and other alteration of Riverfront Area in violation of a Superseding Order of Conditions. The Penalty is suspended in its entirety pursuant to the Homeowner Policy. Smith is required to hire a consultant, submit a proposed restoration plan, execute the approved restoration plan and monitor and document the results.

9/15/18: MassDEP issued 26 Notices of Noncompliance during the month of September 2018 relative to Underground Storage Tank (UST) Enforcement, For the aforementioned 26 UST facilities, those were for failing to have Third-Party Inspection (TPIs) performed, eight were for not submitting return to compliance reports, and eight for not completing compliance certifications through August 2018. MassDEP gave the offenders 45 days to return to compliance. In addition, MassDEP issued seven (7) Reporting Penalty Assessment Notices (RPANs) to seven UST facility owner/operators for failing to have TPIs performed; two (2) notices for not submitting return to compliance reports; five (5) for not completing compliance certifications by their respective due dates through the end of August 2018. Those failing to fulfill requirements will be subject to additional enforcement measures, including financial penalties. More information: <a href="https://www.mass.gov/guides/massdep-underground-storage-tank-ust-program">https://www.mass.gov/guides/massdep-underground-storage-tank-ust-program</a>

9/14/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order with Whately Water District for Water Supply violations in Whately. Today's Order was due to the detection of e coli. bacteria under the Ground Water Rule in of its source well (Well #1). The Order requires investigation, public notice and water quality monitoring.

9/14/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order for Water Supply violations to the South Deerfield Wastewater Treatment Plant in Deerfield. Today's Order was due to safety violation for failing to maintain self-contained compressed air breathing apparatus at this facility utilizing gaseous chlorine for disinfection. The town is required to provide wastewater staff with apparatus in compliance with regulations, including providing staff with training in its use.

9/14/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Boil Water Order to the town of Stoneham for Drinking Water violations. The violations involve e coli. bacteria detected in a sample from one of Stoneham's routine sampling sites, and total coliform bacteria were detected in one of the repeat samples. These two detections constituted a violation of the maximum contaminant level for e coli. A Boil Water Order was therefore issued, which required that the Public Water System notify its customers to boil the tap water before consumption, conduct follow-up bacteria monitoring, implement its emergency response plan, and conduct a Level 2 Assessment of the system.

9/12/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Sodom Mountain Campground, Inc., for Water Supply violations in Southwick. Today's Order was due to the detection of e coli. bacteria under the Ground Water Rule in one of its source wells (Well #2). Today's Order requires investigation, public notice and water quality monitoring.

9/11/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with Patricia Diskin for Asbestos violations in Erving. Diskin is the owner of rental property at 10 East Prospect Street in Erving. On 8/24/18, MassDEP received a complaint from a tenant of the property indicating that asbestos containing thermal system insulation had been removed from a boiler and piping in the basement at the residence by untrained personnel. The basement was reported at that time to be locked, preventing access. MassDEP was able to obtain access to the basement on 9/5/18, and observed asbestos containing material (ACM) and asbestos-containing waste material (ACWM) throughout the basement and covering the dirt floor of the basement. Bulk sampling of the thermal system insulation confirmed the material contained regulated amounts of asbestos. Today's Order requires Diskin retain a Massachusetts-licensed asbestos contractor to contain and clean up the ACM/ACWM, arrange for appropriate air testing upon

completion of cleanup, and arrange for appropriate disposal of all materials generated.

9/11/18: MassDEP was notified of a Suffolk Superior Court consent judgement entered that settles a lawsuit filed against Alexander Anza ("Anza") for Wetland Protection Act, Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking Water Act violations at 26 Spring Road in Weston. In response to a complaint, MassDEP staff inspected the property located on Stony Brook in the 100-year flood plain and in a Zone A tributary to the city of Cambridge public water supply. MassDEP found that Anza was keeping multiple animals including beef cattle, sheep, pigs, chickens and geese and had spread layers of wood chips, cut trees, was stockpiling logs, processing wood, had added rocks to the Bank of Stony Brook, had backfilled areas with gravel, expanded a dirt driveway, built a large stone wall, and, at times seasonally, wild animals hunted by bow (bear & deer) were being processed immediately adjacent to Stony Brook. This activity resulted in filling and alteration of 130 linear feet of 'Bank', 14,630 square feet of Bordering Vegetated Wetland, 5,781 square feet of Bordering Land Subject to Flooding and 5,781 sf of Riverfront Area. This activity was conducted without authorization and in violation of state requirements. Anza removed all animals from the property prior to the filing of the lawsuit. The consent judgement requires that Anza restore the altered wetland resource areas pursuant to a MassDEP approved plan that includes monitoring and reporting. The judgement also includes civil penalties of \$25,000 paid plus \$15,000 suspended if in compliance after three years.

9/11/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$15,500 Penalty involving the Rutland Square Realty Trust for Waste Site Cleanup violations in at 15 Rutland Square in Brockton. In March of 2015, an oil spill occurred in the basement of the building and although the owners engaged a licensed site professional (environmental consultant) and began response actions, they failed to file a timely tier classification and immediate response action status report with MassDEP. The owners were issued a Notice of Noncompliance for the violations in September 2016. The owners failed to comply with the deadlines contained within the NON. The site has now come back into compliance and the Order requires \$7,750 payable, with \$7,750 suspended for failing to comply with the previous Notice.

9/10/18: MassDEP entered into an Amendment to an existing Consent Order in Carver. The town of Carver under this Amendment will have additional time to construct a manganese filtration system at the combined Middle and High School. The Amendment, however, does require the town

to immediately install temporary filtration, and to complete construction of the permanent treatment system by 12/1/18.

9/5/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with Seekonk Manufacturing Company, Inc. for environmental compliance under Waste Site Cleanup in Seekonk. The Order re-establishes compliance deadlines for cleanup at a manufacturing facility. The facility is located at 87 Perrin Avenue, Seekonk. The site cleanup has been delayed due to historic impacts to wetland sediments (metals), the complexity of the wetland cleanup, and local permitting. Site closure under a Permanent Solution or a Temporary Solution is expected on or before 11/1/23 in accordance with the Order.

9/4/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Joseph Collins d/b/a Collins Apple Barn, Brimfield for Water Supply violations. This public water system failed to submit its 2017 Annual Statistical Report required of all public water systems. The facility is required to submit its report under today's Order.

9/4/18: MassDEP issued a \$290 Penalty Assessment Notice to Joseph Collins d/b/a Collins Apple Barn in Brimfield for Water Supply violations. This system has received Notices of Noncompliance and Unilateral Orders for failure to file for prior years within the last 5 years.

9/4/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order and a \$290 Penalty Assessment Notice to Jerry J. Bird d/b/a Spruce Corner Restaurant for Water System violations in Goshen. The public water system failed to submit its 2017 Annual Statistical Report required of all public water systems and is required to submit the report. This system has received Notices of Noncompliance and Unilateral Orders for failure to file for prior years within the last 5 years.

9/4/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with Polyorg, Inc., for \$5,000 Penalty for Hazardous Waste Management violations in Leominster. As a result of a multimedia inspection on 12/11/17, the violations observed at the life sciences chemistry laboratory had acted out of its registered status as a very-small quantity generator. In fact, the facility was a large quantity generator and failed to label hazardous waste containers. In mitigation of the penalty, the company conducted a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) that benefited the Leominster

Fire Department with a Hurst Jaws of Life cutting and lifting tool. The cost of the SEP was \$3,750.

9/4/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$5,000 Penalty involving Groveland Realty Trust, R & D Site Development and Sewell St Materials LLC for environmental compliance in Groveland. The entities are the respondents for this Order and acting as owners/developers of the property at Sewall Street in Groveland under this Order so as to facilitate the reclamation of a 6.5 acre quarry for future development. The Order sets out a procedure for filling the quarry with approximately 225,000 cubic yards of characterized soil and fill material. The Order requires a monthly Construction Status Report by an Independent Third Party. The Order contains a stipulated penalty provision for the violation of any provision of the Order, along with the payment of a \$5,000 penalty upon demand for any false or misleading statement or submittal made to MassDEP pursuant to the Order.

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8/29/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to White Pines Condominiums for Water Supply violations in Stockbridge. Today's Order is due to the Maximum Contaminant Level exceedance/violation for e coli bacteria in the distribution system as it pertains to the revised total coliform rule. The Order further requires investigation, public notice and water quality monitoring.

8/29/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$10,360 Penalty involving the Trustees of Boston College Law School for Air Quality violations in Newton. The violations included failure to certify the installation of three (3) demonstrably-eligible boilers (under the Environmental Results Program) along with failure to submit Annual Restricted Emissions Status Compliance reports for three (3) calendar years. Today's Order requires the Trustees to pay the full Penalty and to engage a qualified, independent third-party consultant to conduct a comprehensive environmental compliance audit of all facilities owned and operated by the Trustees of Boston College.

8/28/18: MassDEP entered into an Amendment to an existing Consent Order with the city of Fitchburg for Water Supply violations. The Amendment is associated with needed upgrades to its public water

system. The amendment authorizes additional time to complete infrastructure repairs, submit tracer study report, and submit a corrective action plan to address effluent violations at the Falulah Water Filtration Facility.

8/28/18: MassDEP entered into a Notice of Noncompliance and Consent Order with George K. Roukounakis/Hajj Auto Care for Underground Storage Tank violations in Cohasset. Among other actions, today's actions ensure a delivery prohibition of regulated substance into Roukounakis's underground storage tank system at Hajj Auto Care

8/24/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Washington Acres relative to a Water Supply violation in Belchertown. The violation arose due to the detection of e coli bacteria in the distribution system of the Washington Acres public water system. Today's Order requires investigation, public notice and water quality monitoring. Washington Acres is an apartment complex serving approximately 30 residents.

8/24/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Sligo Realty Company, LLC relative to a Water Supply violation in Belchertown. The violation arose due to the Maximum Contaminant Level violation for bacteria under the Revised Total Coliform Rule at its Washington Acres public water system. The Order requires investigation, public notice and water quality monitoring.

8/23/18: MassDEP executed a Consent Order with a \$5,750 Penalty involving Housatonic Water Works for Water Supply violations in Great Barrington. The Order includes measures to address lead and copper action level exceedances at this Public Water System serving approximately 1,400 customers. Today's Order sets a schedule for the permitting and installation of a corrosion control system. The full Penalty is suspended provided that the Housatonic completes the permitting and installation of the system as provided under today's Order.

8/23/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order with the Adams Fire District for Water Supply violations in Adams. The violations arose due to the detection of e coli bacteria in the distribution system of the Adams Fire District public water system. The Order requires investigation, public notice, water quality monitoring and use of a temporary disinfection system.

8/23/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to the Department of Conservation Reservation relative to a Water Supply violation in Tolland State Forest in Otis. The violation arose due to the detection of e coli bacteria in the raw water and the distribution system of the Tolland State Forest Comfort Station #4 public water system. Today's Order requires investigation, public notice and water quality monitoring. DCR has shut down Comfort Station #4 and the campground is presently served by three other comfort stations with separate sources and distribution systems.

8/22/18: MassDEP entered into an Amendment to an existing Consent Order with Saint Anne's Hospital in Fall River. Steward St. Anne's Hospital Corporation (Steward) has agreed to a timeline extension to complete additional environmental investigations and determine extent of contamination at the Saint Anne's Hospital campus located at 795 Middle Street in Fall River. The hospital campus has several closed and active releases of oil/hazardous materials for various unrelated releases that were audited by MassDEP. Steward agreed in the original Order to take a holistic campus-wide approach to resolve the violations. Recently, the Activity and Use Limitations (AULs) recorded for large portions of the campus were terminated. Data from current investigations, within this area, revealed exceedingly high levels of heavy metals warranting additional time to complete phase two (assessment remediation) work. Today's Amendment grants additional time to do this work and all other deadlines within the original Order remain in effect. Additionally, MassDEP has provided compliance assistance to Steward and will be available to them and the city of Fall River when construction work begins this fall on a drainage project in another area of the campus near the emergency room.

8/22/18: MassDEP issued a non-boil water notice to the public water supplier in Middleboro. Middleboro will be issuing a Tier 1 Non-Boil Public Notice (PN) alerting consumers that one of their groundwater supply sources had e-coli detection and that two other wells had total coliform detections, but no e-coli. All distribution samples, including point-of-use locations, were contamination free after treatment. The groundwater source from where the e coli detection was found has been taken off-line while the system disinfects and performs additional sampling.

8/22/18: MassDEP issued a Declaration of a Water Emergency to Warren, Heritage Association, Inc. to address a need for water supply to the residents of Heritage Mobil Home Park. Heritage requested the

Declaration to allow it to bring in bulk water when it was required to take a hydro pneumatic water tank offline following an inspection of the tank.

8/21/18: MassDEP executed a Consent Order with \$117,911 Penalty involving NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for Environmental violations in various communities. Eversource will address violations of the Wetlands Protection Act and the Clean Waters Act that occurred in connection with work on Eversource's electrical distribution system in the Towns of Northfield, Rowe and Ashfield. The work conducted required permits because it did not meet the requirements for exempt maintenance work under the Wetlands Protection Act and/or it occurred in waters of the United States without a permit. Eversource will pay \$29,478 and will conduct a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) with a value of at least \$88,433. Under this SEP, Eversource will provide for additional resource area improvement projects in those watersheds where the violations occurred. In addition, Eversource is required to review all other projects conducted in the Western Region since 1/1/15 to determine whether work occurred that required permits, to identify such projects and unpermitted impacts and to propose a restoration or mitigation plan for those impacts.

8/17/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$989 Penalty involving Northfield Mount Hermon School for compliance failures at the wastewater treatment plant in Northfield. The failure to address insufficiencies in the operations/maintenance and plans for its facility. The deficiencies in the O&M manual had been identified by MassDEP in a prior inspection and a notice of noncompliance issued. The continuing deficiency and additional deficiencies in the plants labs, quality assurance/ quality control plan were identified at a recent inspection. Today's Order requires an updated of both documents within 90 days.

8/17/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$9,900 Penalty involving the town of West Springfield for sanitary sewer overflows maintenance issues following two significant overflows within town. Today's Order establishes requirements to perform system mapping, establish a preventative maintenance program including an inspection schedule, to ensure sufficient staffing and to address inflow and infiltration. The town will pay \$5,000 of the Penalty and \$4,900 is suspended provided the town complies with the requirements.

8/17/18: MassDEP issued a Declaration of Water Emergency to Quabbin Health Care, Inc. in Petersham. Quabbin Health Care, Inc. is the operator of the Quabbin Retreat treatment facility. Quabbin Retreat requested the Declaration to allow it to bring in bulk water while it performed required maintenance on its public water system.

8/17/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to SMART Realty Trust for Wetlands violations in Uxbridge. The alleged violations involve the SMART Realty Trust and the placement of fill and solid waste material within Bordering Land Subject to Flooding and the Riverfront Area to Bacon Brook in violation of the Wetlands Protection Act. The work was conducted at 9 Balm of Life Spring Road. Respondent failed to file a Notice of Intent for the work within the wetland resource areas. Today's Order requires respondent to immediately cease the filling, submit an assessment report which identifies wetland resource areas and impacts, submit a disposal plan for the fill and wetlands restoration plan, and to implement the approved plan in accordance with set schedule.

8/16/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Stonkus Family Nominee Trust for Wetlands violations at 19 Balm of Life Spring Road in Uxbridge. The alleged violations involve, first the placement of fill and solid waste material within Bordering Land Subject to Flooding and the Riverfront Area to Bacon Brook in violation of the Wetlands Protection Act. The respondent failed to file a Notice of Intent, as required, for the work within the wetland resource areas. Today's Order requires respondent to immediately cease the filling, submit an assessment report which identifies wetland resource areas and impacts, submit a disposal plan for the fill and wetlands restoration plan, and to implement the approved plan in accordance with set schedule.

8/16/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to the Landing Group, Inc., for Wetlands violations at 175 Granite Street in Rockport. MassDEP issued a cease-and-desist to the former Cape Ann Tool property, on Pigeon Cove in Rockport. Today's Order was issued after it was determined that work was being conducted to raise the height of an existing seawall (Coastal Bank in Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage) by approximately 3 to 5 feet without authorization. The activity was being performed after the work was denied in a Superseding Order of Conditions that is currently on appeal but that matter is stayed, pending the required filings (under the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act) and subsequent issuance of a certificate by the

Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs. This work by the Landing Group was also conducted in violation of a cease and desist Enforcement Order issued by the Rockport Conservation Commission.

8/16/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order with TMC CF New England, LLC. for Wetlands violations in Deerfield. The LLC is the developer of a Cumberland Farms store in Deerfield, and the violations were in connection with its permit, and relative to the discharges to areas regulated under the Wetlands Protection Act and the Clean Waters Act. Today's Order requires installation of sediment and erosion controls and for discharges to regulated resource areas to cease.

8/15/18: MassDEP issued 17 Notices of Noncompliance during the month of August 2018 that pertain to Underground Storage Tank Enforcement. The UST facility owner/operators failed to have UST third-party inspections (TPIs) performed. These were for not submitting TPI Return to Compliance Reports, or not completing Compliance Certifications by their respective due dates through 7/31/18. The agency gave the offenders 45 days to return to compliance. Those who fail to do so will be subject to additional enforcement measures, including financial penalties. More information here.

8/15/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to the town of Becket for Water Supply violations in Becket. Today's Order was prompted by the detection of e coli bacteria in the source water of the Becket Arts Center public water system. The Order requires investigation, public notice and water quality monitoring.

8/14/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with an \$8,000 Penalty involving EIS Wire and Cable, Inc., for Environmental violations in South Hadley. The violations involve Air Pollution Control, Hazardous Waste and Toxics Use Reduction regulations. As a result of a MassDEP inspection and submitted information, it was discovered that the company's emissions of volatile organic compounds exceeded the limits in its Air Pollution Control approval and that EIS Wire used a parts cleaning solvent with too high a vapor pressure. EIS Wire also failed to comply with Hazardous Waste housekeeping standards and failed to update its Toxics Use Reduction Plan information. EIS Wire has agreed to pay \$4,000 of the Penalty, with an additional \$4,000 suspended pending the company's compliance with the terms of the agreement.

8/10/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$16,813 Penalty involving Manchaug Trust for Asbestos violations in Sutton. The violations occurred during renovation of a commercial property the Trust owns in Sutton. Responding to a complaint from the town, MassDEP found 25 unmarked, unsealed trash bags filled with dry, friable asbestos-containing pipe insulation on the first floor of the unoccupied building and numerous pieces of dry, friable asbestos insulation uncontained in the basement on the floor and in a crawlspace. Additionally, MassDEP found numerous pieces of broken asbestos containing transite roofing shingles uncontained on a tarp and on the ground exposed to the ambient air. Manchaug Trust is required to submit a non-traditional work plant to address the asbestos abatement work. The Trust is also required to retain a licensed asbestos contractor to implement the plan (after approval) to cleanup and decontaminate all affected parts of the property and properly package, label and dispose of all asbestos containing waste materials.

8/10/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Housatonic Water Works to address water supply compliance issues in Great Barrington. The public water supplier will address issues with the aesthetics and inconsistent chlorination within the system. Customer complaints relative to significant color, odor and other aesthetic issues resulted in an inspection of the system by MassDEP. Based upon the investigation, MassDEP required maintenance and operations changes relative to a chlorine analyzer and installation of additional equipment permitted by not yet installed by the system.

8/10/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with an \$11,500 Penalty involving Weston Golf Club for Groundwater Discharge violations in Weston. Weston Golf Club has been discharging its wastewater to numerous septic systems on its property. The total design flow of these septic systems exceeds the threshold for septic systems under Massachusetts Regulations, and requires a Groundwater Discharge Permit. Today's Order requires that Weston Golf Club inspect the existing septic systems on the property, undertake a hydrogeological investigation as part of the groundwater permitting process and, upon approval of the investigation, apply for a groundwater discharge permit. In addition, the club is permitted to construct a septic system to address flows from a remote building on the property. MassDEP agrees to suspend the full

Penalty provided Weston Golf Club successfully complete all required actions.

8/9/18: MassDEP issued a Cease-and-Desist Order to the Automatic Coin Laundromat in Dennis. The Laundromat was found in violation in response to a complaint of effluent from infiltration beds breaking out to the surface and impacting an adjacent playground. A follow-up inspection on 8/10/18 confirmed that the laundromat had ceased operation.

8/8/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Bartlett's Orchard, LLC, for Water Supply violations in Richmond. The Order was prompted by a detection of e coli bacteria in the source water of Bartlett's Orchard public water system. The Order requires investigation, public notice and water quality monitoring.

8/8/18: MassDEP issued a Demand for \$2,000 in Stipulated Penalties to the Worcester Country Club Acres, LLC for Wetlands violations in Worcester. The LLC has failed to meet the agreed upon deadlines and is responsible for the stipulated penalty. On 3/30/18, the original Consent Order was executed for violations of the Wetlands Protection Act. The developer failed to implement appropriate and effective sedimentation and erosion controls in violation of the approval at the time that the Worcester Conservation Commission issued for this, a residential subdivision. These violations resulted in unpermitted alterations of 1,936 square feet of Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW). The developer failed to remove sediment from the BVW and submit the required monitoring report in accordance with what it agreed to do in the 3/30/18 Consent Order.

8/6/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$5,750 Penalty involving the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts for Air Quality violations in North Adams. MCLA installed a new engine/generator to meet demand response, but did so without receiving prior approval from MassDEP. In its subsequent application, MCLA failed to demonstrate that the engine/generator would comply with MassDEP sound mitigation requirements. MCLA has agreed to only run the engine/generator set for sound testing until MCLA can demonstrate that the engine can meet MassDEP sound requirements. Once it can demonstrate compliance, MassDEP will need to approve the engine/generator set for operation. MassDEP has agreed to suspend the entire \$5,750 Penalty provided MCLA complies with the terms of the settlement.

# **July 2018**

7/31/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station for Groundwater Discharge compliance issues at the facility in Plymouth. The full name for the owner/operator of the plant is the Entergy Nuclear Generation Company/Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. On 11/4/16, MassDEP's Wastewater Program issued a renewed groundwater discharge permit to the facility. The permit contained effluent limits for nitrogen in addition to all other parameters contained in their previous permit. In the last several years the facility has experienced a reduction in actual flow to the wastewater treatment facility (WWTF), which was designed for full build-out, and it has struggled to meet the new effluent limits. Groundwater monitoring wells show groundwater to be in compliance, meeting Class 1 standards. With the facility ceasing power generation operation in less than a year, the wastewater flow will be significantly less than at the present and consistently less than the 10,000 gallons per day threshold for groundwater permitting. This enforcement action is to modify the current permit, per the request of the permittee, to ensure compliance at groundwater monitoring wells, while continuing to operate the WWTF.

7/31/18: MassDEP executed a Consent Order with a \$55,700 Penalty involving Esty Park Trust for Wetlands Protection Act violations at 441 Main Street in Groveland. From April 2013 to October of 2016, Esty conducted a series of bank-stabilization projects on Johnson's Creek, a perennial tidal waterway of the Commonwealth and designated estimated habitat of rare wildlife, near where it enters the Merrimack River. The work included replacement of a section of stormwater discharge culvert, removal of vegetation, excavation to cut back the slope and armoring with large stone rip-rap for a distance of approximately 265 feet along the east side of the creek. The work was conducted in phases, some authorized by the Groveland Conservation Commission through issuance of emergency certifications, but some conducted beyond that authorized and in violation of the emergency certifications issued, and some conducted without formal authorization. The work was also conducted without necessary authorization. The unauthorized work resulted in filling and/or alteration totaling approximately 134 linear feet of bank, 2,140 square feet of riverfront area (RA) and 3, 676 square feet of bordering land subject to flooding, within estimated habitat. Today's Order requires implementation

of a bank stabilization/restoration plan with long-term monitoring that has now received authorization from the Natural Heritage Program, Army Corps of Engineers and been issued a Chapter 91 license and a Wetlands authorization and local bylaw order of conditions (local permit). The restoration plan also incorporates improvements to resource area vegetative cover and stormwater controls and treatment on the commercial/industrial site. Under today's Order, Etsy will pay \$15,000 with \$40,700 suspended based upon demonstrated compliance with terms of the Order.

7/30/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$2,000 Penalty involving Suburban MA Surplus Property, LLC, for Waste Site Cleanup violations at 28 Arch Street in Westfield. This site was a former bulk petroleum storage facility for which a release of petroleum hydrocarbons was discovered in 1988. Light, non-aqueous phase liquid (LNAPL) remains, preventing permanent closure of the site. Suburban is continuing to monitor the LNAPL to ensure the conditions of the Temporary Solution are being maintained and to monitor progress toward a Permanent Solution. The Order requires Suburban to make timely submittals of required Post-Temporary Solution status reports, repair existing monitoring wells, and prepare a confirmatory deed noting the existence of a Notice of Activity and Use Limitation (AUL) and payment of the Penalty. The AUL was placed to notify site occupants of the presence of petroleum contamination in soil and to prevent direct contact. A MassDEP audit of the site identified that the AUL was not referenced on the most recent instrument of transfer, and that status reports had not been received. In addition, several monitoring wells used to monitor LNAPL were damaged. Suburban recently completed the actions required by the Order to return the site to compliance.

7/30/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Boil Water Order to the Department of Conservation and Recreation for Waste Supply violations at the Wendell State Forest public water supply in Wendell. The Order was issued due to an e.coli positive result in water samples at the Tolland State Forest headquarters building, a public water system.

7/26/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Boil Water Order to Margeurite Gigliotti d/b/a New Ashford Motor Inn in New Ashford. The Order was issued due to e.coli positive result in a repeat bacteria sample at the New Ashford Motor Inn, a public water system.

7/23/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$1,380 Penalty involving Industrial Precision, Inc., for Hazardous Waste Management violations at their facility in Westfield. The company is a high-precision metal machining company which MassDEP inspected and discovered that the facility was not complying with MassDEP's hazardous waste management practices and was acting 'out-of-status' by generating waste oil in excess of its registered status as a small quantity generator. As part of the settlement agreement, the company will correct the violations and pay the full Penalty.

7/19/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$3,000 Penalty involving the Wilbraham Land & Development LLC for environmental violations at 176 Cottage Avenue in Wilbraham. The violations were identified at this former mill complex and were the subject of a Superior Court appeal. Initially, the violations involved a threat of release that was identified by inspectors in October and November 2016, including the presence of friable asbestos in poor condition, abandoned containers of potentially hazardous unknown liquids, solid waste violations, universal waste management issues and a leaking oil line within the boiler room. A Unilateral Order was issued on 12/16/16 requiring immediate correction of the violations. WL&D did not respond to that Order and the accompanying Penalty Assessment Notice for \$29, 960 that was issued on 2/28/17. Prior to issuing the Penalty, MassDEP issued a Notice of Enforcement conference to WL&D to discuss the violations and attempt to negotiate a Consent Order with a mutually agreeable schedule for addressing the violations. WL&D failed to attend a scheduled enforcement conference. In June of 2017, WL&D filed an appeal of the PAN outside of the thirty-day appeal window, claiming lack of receipt of the documents. The Administrative Law Judge found for MassDEP and denied the appeal. The final decision was issued by MassDEP Commissioner Martin Suuberg on 3/1/18. WL&D appealed the decision to Superior Court. In order to resolve the matter, WL&D agreed to today's Order containing a \$3,000 Penalty and a schedule for required actions specified in the UAO. WL&D has made some progress on completing the actions to address the violations noted above, including arranging for an asbestos survey of the facility and assessing containers of oil and hazardous materials at the site.

7/18/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$19,260 Penalty involving the Town of Russell's Water Department for Water Supply

violations in Russell. Today's Order will address issues at the town's water system by establishing a schedule to: address unaccounted for water usage, prepare operation and maintenance manual updates, address chemical usage reporting failures, improve log maintenance, perform master meter calibration and address pressure issues. A penalty in the amount of \$19,260 will be suspended in its entirety to allow the public water small system to direct funds toward compliance.

7/18/18: MassDEP entered into Consent Orders with Penalties to Newton-Wellesley Hospital and Suffolk University for Rideshare Regulation violations. They both failed to submit Rideshare Regulations to the agency. Newton-Wellesley (\$2,000) was cited for not reporting in both 2016 and 2017, and Suffolk (\$1,000) for not filing in 2017 only. Both violators agreed to pay their penalties, submit their overdue plans, and comply with Rideshare Regulation requirements in the future. More information <a href="here">here</a>:

7/18/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with the Massachusetts Department of Correction for Wastewater Discharge Violations at the MCI-Norfolk facility in Norfolk. In 2016, MassDEP entered into a Consent Order to address ongoing effluent discharge violations for total phosphorus from the MCI-Norfolk Wastewater Treatment Facility. That 2016 Order specifically required a third-party evaluation of the wastewater processes with submittal of recommendations for capital improvements to ensure compliance with the effluent limits and a schedule for completion of the necessary upgrades. MassDEP today entered into a new Order that establishes a schedule for implementing the agreed upon corrective action strategy that was developed from that evaluation. Required actions include piloting, permitting, and construction of the upgraded facility. MCI-Norfolk will be eliminating the membrane filters from the treatment processes and replacing with more conventional processes.

7/16/18: MassDEP executed a Consent Order a \$9,375 Penalty involving Jayabal Shanmugam for Wetland Protection Act violations at 47 Bigelow Drive in Sudbury. The violations occurred during construction of a single family dwelling with landscaping and driveway that was approved under a valid Superseding Order of Conditions (SOC). MassDEP previously executed an Order with Shanmugam in October of 2016 for work taking place after the expiration of that valid SOC, which would have allowed the nearly-completed project to be completed within 120 days subject to certain conditions. Subsequently, MassDEP was informed during an inspection

that approximately 108 square feet of Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW) had been filled that was not authorized in the SOC. Also, an additional 135 square feet of BVW filling was necessary to be done for driveway safety. Shanmugam filed a new Notice of Intent to authorize the additional BVW filling and to construct BVW replication as mitigation. The Sudbury Conservation Commission failed to act resulting in an appeal to MassDEP and issuance of a second SOC. Today's Order requires construction of BVW replication for the 108 square feet of BVW previously filled in addition to that authorized in the second Superseding Order of Conditions with long-term monitoring. Today's Order also contains a penalty of \$4,687.50 paid plus \$4,687.50 suspended pending demonstrated full compliance with the terms of the Order and the second SOC.

7/15/18: MassDEP issued 217 Notices of Noncompliance in the month of July regarding Dental Amalgam Mercury Recycling Enforcement. These dental practices across Massachusetts have failed, after repeated reminders and warnings, to submit their biennial certifications that they were operating approved amalgam separator systems to eliminate mercury from wastewater discharges. Dental facilities that use mercury amalgam are required to certify after installing their separators, then subsequently in even-numbered years. MassDEP gave these dentists 30 days to submit their initial certifications and fee payments of \$200. More information here:

7/15/18: MassDEP's Bureau of Air and Waste issued 28 Notices of Noncompliance or Reporting Penalty Assessment Notices to facility owner/operators regarding Underground Storage Tanks (UST) during the month of July. These owner/operators failed to have UST third-party inspections (TPIs) performed, ten were for those who did not submit TPI Return to Compliance Reports, and 18 were for those who did not complete Compliance Certifications by their respective due dates through 6/30/18. The agency gave the offenders 45 days to return to compliance and, in the case of RPAN recipients, to pay their assessed penalties. Those failing to do so will be subject to additional enforcement measures. More information here.

7/13/18: MassDEP executed a Consent Order with the Nashoba Regional School District for Groundwater Discharge violations in Bolton. Under today's Order, Nashoba Regional School District will be allowed additional time to comply with their Groundwater Discharge Permit issued in 2016. The effluent from the discharge is located within the Interim Wellhead Protection Area (IWPA) of three public water system (PWS)

wells. Due to the proximity of the discharge to the PWS wells, the 2016 permit requires that the most stringent effluent limits be met by 9/1/18 if the discharge remains in the IWPA. The District has chosen to relocate the discharge outside of the IWPA instead of upgrading the WWTP to meet the new stringent effluent limits. Today's Order allows the District until 9/1/19 to meet the permit conditions by relocating the effluent discharge.

7/10/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$2,648 Penalty involving John's Used Autos and Parts, LLC, for Groundwater Discharge violations in Bellingham. As a result of multimedia inspections on 10/5/17 and 4/17/18, in response to complaints, violations of the Hazardous Waste and Ground Water Discharge Permit Program regulations were identified. MassDEP observed at the company's vehicle recycling facility that the company had discharged vehicle fluids to the ground. The company also had not labeled containers properly, submitted the mercury recycling certification forms for many years and was not keeping adequate records of recycling waste oil in a space heater.

7/9/18: MassDEP issued a Declaration of a Water Emergency to Quabbin Sunrise Cooperative, Inc. in Ware. MassDEP issued the Declaration to allow for the use of bulk water at the Quabbin Sunrise Mobil Home Park due to a well pump failure at the facility. Quabbin Sunrise needed bulk water to meet resident needs while the well pump was repaired.

7/9/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$21,400 Penalty involving Landtree Design, Inc, David J. Babin and Janet M. Babin, all of Pepperell. The violations involve Waste Site Cleanup violations at 93A Hollis Street in Pepperell. They failed to promptly report a release of oil from an underground storage tank to the environment, failed to obtain prior MassDEP approval to conduct an immediate cleanup action and failed to properly store excavated and contaminated soils. They have agreed to pay the full Penalty and to conduct and submit documentation of training of their employees in proper oil spill notification and response requirements.

7/6/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with an \$8,000 Penalty involving Oldcastle Lawn & Garden, Inc. for Air Quality and Hazardous Waste Management violations in Lee. Oldcastle is a producer of earthen lawn and garden products. As a result of an inspection of the facility, MassDEP determined that Oldcastle was in noncompliance with conditions of its air quality permit and waste oil management requirements. Under

today's Order, Oldcastle will pay the \$8,000 Penalty and correct the violations while an additional \$4,000 will be suspended pending compliance with the terms of the Order.

7/3/18: MassDEP issued a Declaration of a Water Emergency to the Addiction Campuses d/b/a Swift River in Cummington. The Water Emergency was necessary to address the pump failure at this public water system. The Declaration outlines provisions to follow for use of bulk and bottled water at this public water system during its emergency situation.

## **June 2018**

6/29/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$4,500 Penalty involving North Properties, LLC for Waste Site Cleanup violations at 53-63 Wingate Street in Haverhill, specifically, failure to meet deadlines. MassDEP previously issued a Notice of Noncompliance on 3/16/17 to the owner, requiring the submittal of a cleanup permit extension by 6/29/18, and thereafter cleanup status reports on 10/29/18, 3/29/19 culminating with a permanent or temporary solution statement for this site, which meets the requirements by 10/30/19. This site is a commercial office building and has been listed with MassDEP since 2010. Today's Order requires the payment of the Penalty with a stipulated penalty provision for any missed deadlines.

6/29/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$12,500 Penalty involving 60 Cross Street Investment, LLC for Waste Site Cleanup violations at 60 Cross Street in Somerville. MassDEP was not notified of contaminated soil on the property within 120 days of knowledge as required by the regulations. Contamination was identified on the property during an assessment of the property in September of 2017. MassDEP was notified on 6/5/17. 60 Cross Street Investment, LLC has agreed to pay \$2,000, with MassDEP agreeing to suspend \$10,500. The large block is being developed into commercial and residential units with plans for 75 housing units at the site.

6/29/18: MassDEP issued 27 Notices of Noncompliance in June to facility owners/operators for Underground Storage Tank violations for failure to have UST third-party inspections (TPIs) performed. Three Notices of Noncompliance for not submitting TPI Return to Compliance Reports, and ten for not completing Compliance Certifications by their respective due dates through 5/31/18. The violators have been given 45 days to return to

compliance. Those entities that fail to meet compliance will be subject to additional enforcement measures, including financial penalties. More information here:

6/29/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with an \$18,400 Penalty involving a multi-family residence at 36 Ellis Street in Brockton for Asbestos violations. The Order involved Adelino Vicente, who is a licensed real estate broker. The Brockton Fire Department notified MassDEP that an above-ground heating oil storage tank (AST) was removed from the property without a permit and that an oil stain was observed on the basement floor. The BFD also reported that they observed evidence of potential mishandling of asbestos-pipe insulation in the basement. MassDEP inspected the property and observed an abandoned suspect asbestos-insulated boiler and piles of loose pipe insulation and debris located on the floor throughout the northern half of the basement that appeared to have originated from former steam heating pipes. Laboratory analysis of samples confirmed that the insulation contained 40-75% chrysotile asbestos. In addition to the Penalty, a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) valued at \$13,800 will be implemented to develop and provide information on asbestos regulations in an easily readable format translated into Spanish and Portuguese. The documents will be distributed to homeowners and realtors in the Brockton area and will be provided to MassDEP to make publicly available on its website.

6/29/18: MassDEP entered into an Amendment to a Consent Order with an \$8,500 Penalty involving Lighthouse Environmental Management, LLC, Randy Jordan and Brian Jordan agreed to revise the terms of the compliance Order that is being used to regulate the import of large quantities of soil and fill materials to level an agricultural field in Rutland. Today's Amendment includes a number of operational and reporting changes that more closely align with the provisions applied in other similar projects in the Commonwealth. The Jordans and Lighthouse agreed to sign an Amendment to the compliance and to conduct a Supplemental Environmental Project, for the benefit of the Town of Rutland, to mitigate the Penalty. The project is approximately 80% complete.

6/28/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with First Parish of Bolton for Waste Supply violations in Bolton. First Parish of Bolton had been operating an unapproved public water system. The space at the church is used for public functions and a preschool that operates Monday through

Friday. Today's Order authorizes the First Parish of Bolton to continue to use an existing on-site well, hire a certified operator, conduct routine water quality monitoring, and fulfill all the other requirements of similar public water systems pursuant to state regulations.

6/27/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with 79 Hammond Street Realty Trust and CLM Development, LLC for environmental violations in West Bridgewater. MassDEP's Solid Waste Program entered into today's Order for a residential construction site located at 144 and 154 Lincoln Street. MassDEP observed loaded trucks leaving a location on Pleasant Street where the materials were being illegally processed and stored, and also observed the trucks depositing the materials at the site on Lincoln Street. The materials are known to contain asbestos, painted and coated asphalt, brick and concrete materials.

6/27/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$13,000 Penalty involving Zeneca, Inc. for Waste Site Cleanup violations in Dighton. Zeneca, Inc. had failed to submit a Release Abatement Measure (RAM) plan prior to conducting response actions. Excavation and stockpiling of soil contaminated with chlorobenzene began on 8/26/1, but the Release Abatement Measure (RAM) plan was submitted after the fact to MassDEP the following month on 9/20/17.

6/25/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with the town of Hanover for the exceedance of its Water Management Act authorized volumes. The Order includes a suspended penalty and stipulated penalties that may be assessed if Hanover fails to comply with the requirements. The Order requirements include implementing and enforcing nonessential water use restrictions; implementing more frequent leak detection; repair, replacement and recalibration of customer and master meters; conducting a water audit and implementing the auditor's recommendations; additional monitoring of Third Herring Brook; and, the development of a Water System Master Plan.

6/22/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with Liberty Utilities Corp. to re-establish Waste Site Cleanup compliance deadlines for the cleanup of a former manufactured gas plant in North Attleboro. The company's submittal of the phase four (remedy implementation plan) and the schedule for site closure were delayed due to access issues and negotiations with

private property owners. Under today's Order, the final site closure is expected on or before 1/1/22.

6/21/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$10,000 Penalty involving Cumberland Farms, Inc. for Waste Site Cleanup violations at Center Street in Middleboro. The company has been assessing and remediating a release of gasoline that originated from their former facility on Center Street. During the assessment, it was identified that gasoline vapors were impacting neighboring residential properties, resulting in the need for an Immediate Response Action (IRA) to address the critical exposure pathway. In May 2017, Cumberland Farms filed a completion statement that did not properly document that the Critical Exposure Pathway had been eliminated or mitigated to the extent feasible. On June 21, 2018, BWSC entered into an ACOP with Cumberland Farms, Inc., for the violation where Cumberland Farms agreed to a \$10,000 penalty and to re-initiate Immediate Response Actions at the Site.

6/19/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$4,600 Penalty involving the town of Dunstable for Water Supply violations. Dunstable failed to operate and maintain its public water system in a manner that ensures the delivery of safe drinking water. Dunstable serves a population of 660 during the winter months and a population of 227 during the summer months. Today's Order requires Dunstable to replace two outdated hydropneumatic storage tanks that are not functioning properly with a new above ground storage tank. The new storage tank and upgrades to its distribution system will ensure adequate supply, proper pressure, and consistent chemical dosing of its corrosion control system. The entire \$4,600 Penalty will be suspended provided compliance with the terms.

6/15/18: MassDEP issued a \$3,921 Penalty Assessment Notice to Daniel Messier for Asbestos violations in Easthampton. Messier was issued the Notice for failing to comply with a Unilateral Order involving a former mill complex at 1 Ferry Street in Easthampton. Specifically, that Order, which was appealed and upheld, requires the removal of onsite solid waste and proper management of asbestos debris.

6/14/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Falmouth Laundromat for Wastewater Management violations in Falmouth. MassDEP issued a Cease and Desist Order to the Falmouth Laundromat for a failed infiltration

system that was discharging laundromat waste to the surface and across a parking lot in a mixed commercial/residential area.

6/13/18: MassDEP issued an Amendment to a Consent Order with a \$60,000 Penalty involving Durant Realty Trust, Stead Realty Trust and Leahy Excavating Company, Inc. for Waste Site Cleanup violations in Holden. The Amendment extends the deadline for submitting a Permanent (or Temporary) Solution statement. Initially, during 1996, a release of chlorinated solvents was discovered at the Durant property in Holden. In 2009, the potentially-responsible parties entered into a settlement agreement with the Attorney General's Office, and paid a penalty of \$60,000 but failed to meet the Agreement's deadlines due to inability to gain access to an abutting property to delineate groundwater contamination. At the AG's request, the potentially responsible parties in this case agreed to a Consent Order with MassDEP in 2016 to establish new deadlines for the submittal of a solution statement. MassDEP then issued a Notice of Responsibility to the downgradient abutter following several attempts to negotiate reasonable access. Today's Amendment requires submittal of this temporary (or permanent) solution by June 2019.

6/13/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$1,000 Penalty involving both Beaumont/Whitney Place Northbridge Inc. and McKendall & Associates, Inc. for Asbestos violations that occurred during renovation at a long-term care facility in Northbridge. The property owner, Beaumont/Whitney Place Northbridge Inc., retained McKendall & Associates, Inc., a damage restoration company, to renovate the occupied areas of the facility damaged by a water leak. Neither Beaumont/Whitney Place Northbridge Inc. nor McKendall & Associates, Inc. retained a licensed asbestos inspector to assess the areas to be renovated for asbestos-containing materials prior to commencing renovations as required by MassDEP regulations. MassDEP's subsequent asbestos-survey did not identify any asbestos-containing materials. The violation was discovered during a September 2017 inspection by MassDEP who were following up on a complaint of an improper asbestos removal.

6/12/18: MassDEP entered into an Amendment to an existing Consent Order with the town of Hanover for Drinking Water violations. The terms of the Amendment pertain to the town's efforts to control disinfection byproducts in the town's drinking water supply. The amendment extends the timeline to allow long-term control measures to be implemented. The

town has received permit approvals to construct significant renovations to each of its three water treatment plants.

6/12/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Spindle City Homes, Inc. for Asbestos violations at 726 Hicks Street in Fall River along with a separate Order to the demolition contractor (Richard Miranda Construction Company, Inc.) for violations during the demolition of a former school building located in a heavily populated area. Based on sampling and observations made during an inspection on 6/5/18, MassDEP determined that dry asbestos debris was present in demolition debris. Today's Order direct the owner and the contractor to cease and desist from any additional demolition/asbestos removal and/or handling activities and to immediately stabilize the site to prevent a condition of air pollution.

6/8/18: MassDEP was notified by the Office of the Massachusetts Attorney General that a Consent Judgment was found relative to the disposal of solid waste in wetlands on the property of Russell and Karen Mehl by Russell Mehl and Legend Lawn Care, Inc. of Westfield. The materials disposed of at the site included sand and woodchips mixed with aluminum oxide generated by Micro Abrasives Corporation, an abrasives manufacturing company, also of Westfield. The Micro Abrasives material was provided to Mehl by Truck Crane Service, Inc., an excavation and trucking company in Westfield. The defendants will pay a total of up to \$55,000 in Penalties to the state. The Mehls and Legend Lawn Care will restore approximately five acres of wetlands, 3,466 feet of stream bed, and two acres of associated buffer zone to their prior condition. The Mehls will also place the restored areas and additional land, totaling 34 acres, under a conservation restriction, requiring it to remain in its natural state and open to the public in order to offset damage to and permanent loss of the wetlands on the property. Truck Crane Service and Micro Abrasives Corporation will assist with the clean-up and contribute \$25,000 to pay for professional oversight of the clean-up. Micro Abrasives will also pay a \$10,000 penalty, and Truck Crane Service will pay a \$45,000 penalty, reduced to \$25,000 with the successful completion of its role in the cleanup.

6/6/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$12,500 Penalty involving Reading MKM, LLC for Waste Site Cleanup violations. The LLC failed to notify MassDEP of contamination found within the 120 days of knowledge at a property located at 39-41 Lincoln Street and 2-12 Prescott

Street in Reading. Reading MKM LLC assessed the property prior to purchasing it on 6/15/17. MKM notified MassDEP of the release on 2/26/18, more than 120 days after it purchased the property, had knowledge of the release, and was required to notify but failed to do so. Reading MKM LLC has plans to build 80 residential units on the property. Reading MKM LLC has agreed to pay \$4,000 of the Penalty and MassDEP has agreed to suspend the remaining \$8,500 pending compliance.

## May 2018

5/29/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$31,000 Penalty involving BMS Realty Trust for Waste Site Cleanup violations at 3380-3390 Washington Street in Jamaica Plain (Boston). The contamination on site was discovered during refinancing as per due diligence required by the bank. The specific violations that pertain to today's Order include failure to meet deadlines established under state regulations that had already been set out in a previously issued notice of noncompliance dated 9/17/14. Today's Order sets forth the agreed conditions with BMS Realty Trust required to submit a tier classification extension (essentially a permit to continue cleanup) by 5/31/18 as well as a phase four report (remedy implementation) by 1/30/19, followed by a permanent solution statement or a temporary solution statement by 5/15/20. Currently the site is occupied by a party goods distributor. There are plans to convert the property for residential use. Under today's Order, BMS has agreed to pay \$4,000 of the Penalty with \$27,000 suspended with a stipulated penalty provision for any missed deadlines.

5/29/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$1,608 Penalty involving the town of Berlin relative to Water Supply violations, specifically the operation of an unapproved public water system associated with its library. Today's Order authorizes the town to utilize an existing on-site well, hire a certified operator, conduct routine water quality monitoring, and fulfill other relevant requirements. In addition, the town is required to conduct a Title 5 (septic system) inspection of its on-site sewage disposal system and evaluate the feasibility of installing bedrock well to replace the existing source. The Penalty will be suspended provided full compliance with today's Order.

5/25/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$14,050 Penalty involving American Environmental Consultants, Inc. for Asbestos violations

in Weymouth. Initially, the Weymouth DPW facility was upgrading a heating system throughout the first floor that included the abatement of asbestos pipe insulation prior to removal of heating pipes. MassDEP's initial site visit was in response to an emergency waiver request from American to decontaminate the Highway Department Stock Room that was impacted by damaged asbestos-containing pipe insulation left on a pipe in a previously abated area that was cleared by American. MassDEP inspected the remainder of the DPW facility and identified residual debris from asbestos-containing pipe insulation in 17 of 22 rooms throughout the first floor. The asbestos abatement work was performed by another asbestos consultant and each work area was cleared by American. During the decontamination of the DPW Facility, there were several instances where MassDEP observed remaining visible asbestos debris in a work area that was cleared by American. The company will pay \$8,700 of the Penalty, and MassDEP has agreed to suspend \$5,350 provided American does not violate the regulations within a year.

5/22/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$17,500 Penalty involving the city of Easthampton Water Department for Water Supply violations, specifically the failure to meet implement cross-connection control program including device testing requirements. The city has agreed to promptly come into compliance with cross connection control program and MassDEP has agreed to suspend \$12,500 of the Penalty.

5/17/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with an \$11,344 Penalty involving Bemis Associates, Inc. for Air Quality violations in Shirley. MassDEP conducted a multimedia inspection on 6/2/17 and observed violations of the Air Quality and Hazardous Waste Management regulations and observed at the company's plastic coating facility that it was exceeding the approved limit on volatile organic compounds (VOCs) content in its resins. In addition, the facility was generating more hazardous waste than for which it had registered. The company also failed to notify of its hazardous waste activity at an adjacent facility, to log hazardous waste accumulation area inspections and to post emergency response information. The company has now corrected the hazardous waste violations and will be applying for a new air permit. The company will pay \$2,836 of the Penalty and will be conducting a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) that will consist of purchasing four communication radios for the Shirley Fire Department at a cost of \$10,789 (\$8,508 of which will be creditable toward the total Penalty).

5/16/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Performance Building Co., Inc. for Asbestos (Air Quality) violations in Holbrook. During multiple inspections, MassDEP observed dry asbestos debris inside the building and on the surrounding ground including the windows and openings of the contaminated building that were not sealed and resulted in violations of the Air Quality regulations. Todays' Order directs Performance to cease and desist from conducting any additional asbestos removal and/or handling activities, except for work practices that have been approved under a Non-Traditional Asbestos Work Plan. Under that plan, the company must seal all openings, secure site access from the public and provide a comprehensive plan to decontaminate the site.

5/17/18: MassDEP issued a Cease-and-Desist Order to Del Monte Fresh Produce for Wetlands violations in Canton. The Order includes a Request for Information under the Clean Waters Act regarding a discharge that occurred from waste organics generated by the facility. The wastewater contains solids and was discharged into the stormwater system which eventually discharges into a wetland area and possibly the Neponset River.

5/17/18: MassDEP issued Water Supply violation Order to the Stoughton Water Department (non-boil) requiring Public Notice. The system serves a population of approximately 26,962 and received notification from their analytical laboratory that a routine raw water sample collected on 5/16/2018 from its Muddy Pond source had tested positive for both total coliform and E.coli. Samples collected on the same day from the Muddy Pond finished water, and from the distribution system were all absent the bacteria. The system chlorinates, but is not state certified for 4-log disinfection (99.99%) at this source. The source was taken off-line. Pursuant to the requirements of the Groundwater Rule, the system issued a Non-Boil Public Notice within 24 hours on 5/18/2018. In addition, the system collected the required 5 repeat samples from the source. On 5/19/2018 the system reported that the 5 repeat samples had all tested absent for E.coli, and that they intended to bring the source back online on Monday 5/21/18. No additional corrective actions are required at this time.

5/25/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$14,050 Penalty involving National Abatement, Inc. for Asbestos (Air Quality) violations in Weymouth. The Weymouth DPW Facility recently upgraded a heating system throughout the first floor that included the abatement of asbestos pipe

insulation prior to removal of the heating pipes. MassDEP's initial site visit was in response to an emergency waiver request from to decontaminate the Highway Department Stock Room that was impacted by damaged asbestos-containing pipe insulation left on a pipe in a previously abated area that was cleared by another company. MassDEP inspected the remainder of the DPW facility and identified residual debris from asbestos-containing pipe insulation in 17 of 22 rooms throughout the first floor. The asbestos abatement work was performed by National and each work area was cleared by an asbestos consultant. During the decontamination of the DPW Facility, there were several instances where MassDEP observed remaining visible asbestos debris in a work area that was decontaminated and cleared by the previous company. MassDEP assessed a \$14,050 penalty for the violations and agreed to suspend \$5,350 provided National does not violate the air pollution regulations within a year. The remaining \$8,700 will be paid in four installments over the course of a year.

5/22/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$30,000 Penalty involving 801 College Highway LLC for Waste Site Cleanup violations in Southwick. The LLC is based in North Easton, Massachusetts and is the operator of a gasoline service station at 801 College Highway in Southwick. On 6/27/17, MassDEP was notified of a release of gasoline at the site that was detected at the time of removal of underground storage tanks. The company undertook response actions to address the release and submitted the initial Immediate Response Action plan. However, the company failed to submit the Immediate Response Action status report that was due on or about 11/24/17, and failed to respond when MassDEP issued a Notice of Noncompliance on 1/23/18. In order to resolve the violation the company has agreed to submit the required Immediate Response Action status report within thirty days and submit a Permanent Solution or Tier Classification (essentially a score ranking the level of contamination in need of cleanup action) and do so by 7/27/18. MassDEP agreed to suspend \$27,000 of the Penalty provided the company fully complies with the terms of today's Order.

5/23/18: MassDEP issued an \$860 Penalty Assessment Notice to Rene Gauthier for Air Quality violations in Southampton. The violation involved open burning of wood and construction and demolition (C&D) material at his property located at 82 Pequot Road in Southampton. This case was referred to MassDEP by the Southampton Fire Department.

5/23/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$3,000 Penalty involving Andrew Tanner and Ahreum Han-Tanner for Waste Site Cleanup violations in Marlborough. The Tanners had failed to notify MassDEP of a release of fuel oil, failure to conduct an Immediate Response Action, and causing an unpermitted surface water discharge by flushing the oil into a floor drain that discharged to a stormwater drainage swale. The discharge was from the basement oil tank of their residence in Marlborough. They have agreed to pay a penalty of \$3,000 and have already completed the cleanup of the oil spill.

5/29/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order and \$3,220 Penalty Assessment Notice to Frank Linhares, Jr., d/b/a Linhares Excavating, for Waste Site Cleanup violations on Interstate 495 in Hopkinton. The violations centered on a diesel fuel release from his commercial vehicle. MassDEP's contractor addressed the spill, but Linhares failed to submit a response to a MassDEP Request for Information and failed to submit a Release Notification Form, an Immediate Response Action plan, and a Tier Classification submittal in violation of the Waste Site Cleanup regulations. MassDEP previously issued a written Notice of Noncompliance and was later unsuccessful in the attempt to settle the matter. The failure to submit required documents has resulted in Linhares being issued today's Order to submit the specified documents and take actions to complete the Waste Site Cleanup process.

5/15/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with the New Bedford Department of Public Works for Underground Storage Tank violations. The DPW is in noncompliance with the Underground Storage Tank regulations that were observed during a compliance inspection. Today's Order requires the removal of the non-compliant single wall steel USTs at the city's DPW yard.

5/16/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with the Cape Point Motel for Title 5 (septic system) violations in Yarmouth. Today's Order allows for the motel to perform temporary repairs to a failing subsurface sewage treatment and disposal system while determining a longer-term solution that may include full compliance with Title 5 as a Large System, obtaining a groundwater discharge permit or connecting to town sewer if it should become available.

5/8/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$38,480 Penalty involving Mitrano Removal Services, LLC for Waste Site Cleanup violations at the Bromfield School in Harvard. The violations involved reporting and response action requirements under the Massachusetts Contingency Plan arising out of a hydraulic oil release from a company truck at a public school. The company has agreed to pay the \$38,480 Penalty and to provide training for its employees regarding reporting and response requirements for oil and hazardous materials releases in Massachusetts.

5/2/18: MassDEP issued a Demand for \$5,190 Penalty to 1470 Main Street LLC, for Wetlands violations in Tewksbury. The Demand for Penalty was for failure to meet the agreed terms in a Consent Order that was reached in November 2017 relative to the company's Wetlands violations in Tewksbury. The Order, in part, required that the site be stabilized and erosion controls be maintained, and, further that compliance with all conditions of the Superseding Order of Conditions be met. In April of 2018, MassDEP staff conducted inspections of the site and observed lack of adequate erosion controls, slope slumping, unstable soil, eroded rock and silt filling a steam and Bordering Vegetated Wetland replication area, and, sedimentation to a stream from a constructed stormwater system.

5/15/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$6,000 Penalty involving the city of Methuen for Underground Storage Tanks violations. The city failed to remove six (6) single wall steel underground storage tanks by the 8/7/17 deadline. The city owns and operates six UST systems containing diesel fuel for back-up power at six different wastewater pumping stations throughout the city. MassDEP reached out to the city prior to the deadline, but the city failed to take the tanks Temporarily out of Service (TOS), which would have allowed them until 7/1/18 to remove the tanks. MassDEP verified on 10/11/17 that the city had neither removed the SWSTs nor taken TOS. Today's Order now requires the city to remove all of the tanks within sixty (60) days of the effective date of today's Order with \$3,000 paid and \$3,000 suspended, provided compliance with all the terms of the Order and the regulations for a period of one year. The city has submitted documentation indicating that all of the tanks were removed by 4/3/18.

5/1/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with the town of Gill to address Water Supply compliance requirements for the treatment of the drinking water at its Public Elementary School. The needed treatment

includes iron and manganese removal and disinfection. Today's Order requires a substantially complete permit application and installation following DEP approval, so this public water system meets minimum drinking water standards.

5/4/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$2,000 Penalty involving Great Barrington Fire District for Water Supply violations in Great Barrington. The District had been operating its public water system with the operator lacking the sufficient grade of license for this system, which was a treatment technique violation. The Fire District agreed to come into compliance with the operator requirements and pay \$500 of the Penalty with \$1,500 suspended pending compliance.

5/3/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$6,325 Penalty involving Anton's Cleaners, Inc. for Industrial Wastewater violations in Marshfield. The company violated its Ground Water Discharge Regulations. A site inspection by MassDEP revealed that they had been discharging industrial wastewater from the wet-washing activities to the on-site septic system and therefore discharging pollutants to ground waters of the Commonwealth without a currently valid permit. In addition to the Penalty, today's Order ensures compliance with the Ground Water Discharge requirements.

5/9/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$42,500 Penalty involving Dean Behrendi for Asbestos violations at 6 Overlook Knoll Road in Mashpee. Behrendi demolished a single family residence despite being aware that the basement contained friable asbestos containing material (ACM) attached to pipes. He did not remove the ACM prior to demolition and disposed of the ACM along with the demolished house. MassDEP responded to a complaint from the Mashpee Fire Department alleging that an above ground oil storage tank had been buried by Behrendi during demolition activities. MassDEP inspected the property and discovered the ACM on top of demolition debris in a roll-off container.

5/9/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with the town of Carver relative to Water Supply compliance at the combined Middle and High School in Carver. Today's Order allows and ensures the town will have additional time to construct a manganese filtration system at the combined Middle and High School. The Amendment requires the Town to complete construction of the treatment system by 8/31/18.

5/9/18: MassDEP issued a Notice of Intent to Issue a Delivery Prohibition (Red Tag) to 55 South Main Street in Cohasset. The Prohibition is to prevent additional delivery of petroleum fuel for dispensing.

5/9/18: MassDEP issued an Order to ensure Low-Sulfur Home Heating Oil. To be consistent with neighboring states and avoid disruption in the regional home heating oil supply chain, MassDEP issued an enforcement discretion directive allowing oil terminals and suppliers an additional sixmonth "sell through" period for depleting stocks of home heating oil that will not meet a 7/1 deadline for containing no more than 15 parts per million (ppm) of sulfur. MassDEP amended 310 CMR 7.05 to lower the allowable sulfur limit to 500 ppm as of 7/1/14 and 15 ppm this year as part of a multistate strategy to reduce regional haze. More information: <a href="https://www.mass.gov/media/1842166">https://www.mass.gov/media/1842166</a>

5/1/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$2,875 Penalty involving Jack Reed for Water Pollution Control violations in Stoughton. Reed had discharged pollutants to the waters of the Commonwealth without a permit. MassDEP responded to a complaint from the town of Stoughton regarding oil in a storm drain system. MassDEP observed an above ground storage tank cut in half and oil on the property owners driveway adjacent to the storm drain system. Reed took responsibility for the oil in the storm drain system and has accepted the penalty amount of \$2,875.00 in addition to conducting response/cleanup actions. 5/1/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$10,000 Penalty involving Fifth Avenue Realty Trust for Waste Site Cleanup violations at 115 Watertown Street in Watertown. Fifth Avenue Realty Trust is the owner of the property where the specific violations were failure to meet deadlines under the regulations and were stipulated in a Notice of Noncompliance MassDEP issued on 11/21/14, as well as in a Consent Order signed with the responsible party on 10/16/16/. Today's Order now requires that Respondent shall submit to MassDEP a permanent or temporary Solution for this site, which meets the requirements by 3/14/19. The site is a former gasoline station and is currently an office building. Respondent has sold the site and is currently placing an Activity and Use Limitation on a portion of the property. Respondent and the current owner need time to negotiate the AUL. MassDEP will suspend \$9,000 of that Penalty provided all terms of today's Order are met. There is also a stipulated penalty provision for any missed deadlines.

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4/27/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with Nasoya Foods USA for Air Quality violations in Ayer. Under the terms of the Order, Nasoya is permitted to begin construction of a Regenerative Thermal Oxidizer (RTO) to address odor issues at its tofu producing facility in Ayer. Nasoya will submit a Limited Plan Approval for the RTO as well. In addition, Nasoya is required to prepare an Environmental Management System for upgrades to the facility.

4/25/18: MassDEP issued a Consent Order with a \$39,000 Penalty involving Robert Taylor for Wetlands violations in Bolton. Robert Taylor of Greenwich, CT had failed to resolve violations of the Wetlands Protection Act at his property off West Berlin Road in Bolton. MassDEP staff inspected the property in response to a request from the local Conservation Commission and found that Taylor had cleared and altered 780 linear feet of bank, 1.9 acres of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands, consisting primarily of mature woods within Natural Heritage Endangered Species Program (NHESP) priority and estimated habitat. In addition, 18,000 square feet of Riverfront Area were altered without obtaining the necessary Order of Conditions. Taylor has agreed to restore the altered wetland resource areas and to pay \$25,000 of the Penalty with \$14,000 suspended if Taylor complies with the requirements and deadlines established in today's Order.

4/25/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order with Jason LLC for Wetlands violations. Jason LLC was issued the Unilateral Order to cease and desist conducting unpermitted work in areas subject to the Wetland Protection Act at the Grandview Ballroom facility at 106 Uxbridge Road in Mendon. MassDEP staff inspected the property in response to complaints and found that the company had cleared trees and shrubs from approximately one-half acre of land adjacent to Lake Nipmuc, altering approximately 700 linear feet of Bank without filing a Notice of Intent and obtaining the necessary Order of Conditions for this activity. Today's Order also requires the company to retain a wetland specialist to assess the wetland resource area impacts, and submit a plan for returning to compliance by restoring the altered resource areas or, to the extent allowable, obtaining a permit for the alterations.

4/23/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$4,500 Penalty involving Suddekor LLC for Air Quality violations in East Longmeadow. The facility has failed to address the requirement to install the necessary pollution control equipment in a timely manner to remediate a condition of air pollution. Suddekor has agreed to install the required equipment on a short timetable and to pay the full Penalty.

4/20/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Esmir Gutic, d/b/a 'Fratelli's Restaurant' for Safe Drinking Water Act violations in Otis. The facility has failed sample the restaurant's water, retain a certified water operator and meet other requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act. Gutic had reopened a restaurant and is operating a Public Water System but had failed to comply with the requirements for operating a Public Water System.

4/19/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$30,000 Penalty involving Multigrains Realty, LLC for Waste Site Cleanup violations in Lawrence. Multigrains Realty, LLC is conducting cleanup response actions at 13-17 Melrose Street in Lawrence. The company, however, has failed to submit the required immediate response action status reports that are due. Under today's Order, \$5,000 of the Penalty is payable and \$25,000 will be suspended.

4/19/18: MassDEP issued a Boil Water Order to the Trustees of the Reservation for Water Supply violations at Powisset Farm in Dover. The Trustees of Reservations owns and operates a transient non-community public water system at Powisset Farm in Dover. A sample of the well source water collected on April 17 tested positive for E. coli, and total coliform bacteria were detected within the distribution system. The well water is not chlorinated before use, so, in accordance with the Ground Water Rule, MassDEP issued today's Boil Water Order, which required Powisset Farm to issue Public Notice within 24 hours and collect five additional samples of the untreated well water. The Order also required Powisset Farm to inform town officials of the emergency, investigate the incident, collect bacteria samples within their water system, and within 30 days submit an Emergency Response Report. Powisset Farm found and repaired a hole in a weld in the well casing, which may have allowed ponded rainwater to enter the well. The well and water system were then chlorinated, and after 24 hours the lines were flushed.

4/18/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$3,400 Penalty involving Covanta Pittsfield LLC for Solid Waste violations in Pittsfield. Today's Order addresses the tipping/overflow of solid waste outside of the permitted building limits. Covanta has agreed to pay the \$3,400 Penalty and revise its operational practices to ensure future compliance.

4/15/18: MassDEP issued 17 Notices of Noncompliance relative to Underground Storage Tank (UST) Enforcement in April 2018. The UST facility owner/operators were notified for failing to have UST third-party inspections (TPIs), and five were notified for not submitting TPI Return to Compliance Reports, and eight were notified for not completing Compliance Certifications by their respective due dates through 3/31/18. MassDEP has given the offenders 45 days to return to compliance. Those failing to do so will be subject to additional enforcement measures, including financial penalties. More information:

https://www.mass.gov/guides/massdep-underground-storage-tank-ust-program

4/13/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with the Trustees of Hampshire College for Water Supply violations regarding the R.W. Kern Center public water system in Amherst. Today's Order addresses the return to active use of the rainwater catchment public water system.

4/11/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with an \$11,000 Penalty involving Inner-Tite Corporation for Hazardous Waste violations in Holden. MassDEP conducted a multimedia inspection on 2/8/17 and observed the violations at the company's manufacturing facility that it was evaporating hazardous industrial wastewater without a license. The company manufactures anti-theft locking devices for utility meters and other devices and was treating wastewater associated with the operations, such as floor wash water, as well as water and coolant mixtures, by evaporating it in a heated tank. The resultant sludge was being shipped off as hazardous waste. The company has corrected the violation and is now limiting the use of the evaporator to only nonhazardous waste water. It has also undertaken water conservation measures. The company will be conducting a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP). Under this SEP, the purchasing of two water/ice rescue sleds will be undertaken specifically for the Holden fire department at a cost of \$8,245.

4/10/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$29,000 Penalty involving the city of Amesbury for Waste Site Cleanup violations at 16 Water Street in Amesbury. The property is a vacant lot near a park along the river that is used for parking. Specifically, the violations were for failure to submit the numerical ranking relative to the status of the cleanup. A tier classification is due within one year as required by state cleanup regulation and failure to meet deadlines was part of an earlier Notice of Noncompliance MassDEP issued back on 6/29/17. Today's Order now requires \$1,000 of the Penalty to be paid, with \$29,000 suspended, pending compliance. There is also a stipulated penalty provision for any missed deadlines.

4/6/18: MassDEP noted Suffolk Superior Court had allowed the joint motion for entry of final consent judgment as to defendants Veolia Water North America Northeast LLC and Veolia Water North America Operating Services LLC, collectively Veolia Water. This consent judgment requires Veolia Water, the contract operator for the town of Plymouth's wastewater collection system and treatment facility, to pay the Commonwealth \$1.6 million in connection with its alleged failure to properly maintain the system that resulted in discharges of over 10 million gallons of raw, untreated sewage to woodlands, some of which is owned by the state, during the winter of 2015-2016. The complaint also alleged that Veolia Water previously discharged hundreds of thousands of gallons of untreated or improperly treated wastewater into Plymouth Harbor resulting in the temporary closure of shellfish beds, including parts of Kingston Bay and Duxbury Bay, due to high fecal coliform levels. Veolia Water will pay the \$1.35 million civil Penalty and make a \$250,000 payment to the state's Marine Mammals and Fisheries Research and Conservation Trust to fund projects to improve Plymouth's coastal ecosystem. According to the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office, this \$1.6 million settlement is believed to be the largest ever paid for such alleged violations of the Massachusetts Clean Waters Act.

4/3/18: MassDEP issued a Declaration of a Water Emergency to the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation for the public water system at Dubuque State Forest in Hawley. The Declaration allows for DCR to make bulk water available to persons present at the public water system prior to completing the necessary improvements.

4/3/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with the Somerset Water Department for Water Supply violations in Somerset. The Water Department violated locational running annual averages for total trihalomethanes. (TTHM's). TTHM's are disinfection byproducts resulting from reactions between chlorine and dissolved organic material. Today's Order establishes a schedule requiring a short-term response, engineering analysis, and long-term corrective actions.

4/3/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order and Notice of Intent to assess a \$33,000 Civil Administrative Penalty to Airfreight Express Corp. for Waste Site Cleanup violations in Hopkinton. The violations alleged are in connection with a diesel fuel release from the company's motor vehicle at the northbound onramp to Route 495 in Hopkinton. The Department previously issued a written Notice of Noncompliance and was later unsuccessful in the attempt to settle the matter of the company's failure to submit documents and take actions to address the release. In addition to the Penalty, the company has been ordered to submit documents and take actions to address the release.

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3/30/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$23,000 Penalty involving Worcester Country Club Acres, LLC, for Wetlands violations in Worcester. The violations were associated with the construction of a condominium complex near Poor Farm Brook in Worcester. The company did not comply with its local Order of Conditions, including failing to maintain erosion and sedimentation controls. As a result, sediment discharges from the project altered approximately 3,000 square feet of bordering vegetated wetland. Sediment discharges also altered the 'bank' of Poor Farm Brook and entered the brook itself, which is a cold water fish resource. The company has submitted a restoration plan, and has agreed to restore the wetland resource areas and pay the full \$23,000 Penalty.

3/29/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$16,750 Penalty involving National Lumber Company for Waste Site Cleanup violations in Mansfield. The company failed to notify a release of oil greater than the reportable quantity, and they failed to undertake investigative and assessment actions of sufficient scope to guide appropriate response actions at the site. On 6/27/17, an estimated 500 gallons of diesel fuel was released after a forklift was left unattended and overfilled. The release

impacted paved surfaces and the site's storm water system. National Lumber Company personnel had knowledge of the release but failed to notify MassDEP within two hours as required by the state regulations. Today's Order requires payment of \$15,750 payable with \$1,000 suspended, provided all terms of the Order are met.

3/29/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with Borges Brothers Inc. for Underground Storage Tank violations in Freetown. Borges Brothers Inc. failed to remove three single walled steel underground fuel storage tanks by 6/1/18, and update the UST Data Management System by the same date. Today's Order extends the deadline previously established.

3/28/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$30,000 Penalty involving CAPS Auto Wrecking Corp. for Waste Site Cleanup violations at 1069 Western Ave (rear) in Lynn. CAPS is the owner of the property where the violations include failure to meet deadlines that MassDEP had previously established in a Notice of Noncompliance dated 3/3/1, and subsequently a Consent Order dated 11/4/13. Today's Order requires that CAPS submit to MassDEP a permanent or temporary solution for the site, which meets the requirements or, if appropriate, a remedy operation status submittal, which meets the requirements by 8/11/19. The site was a junk yard and is currently used for auto repair and parking. Today's Order requires the payment of a \$4,000 and MassDEP agrees to suspend \$26,000 provided all the terms are met, and contains a stipulated penalty provision for any missed deadlines.

3/26/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$1,035 Penalty involving Millennium Power LLC, for Hazardous Waste Management violations in Westfield. Millennium Power is a valve repair and fabrication shop located in Westfield. MassDEP discovered during an inspection that the company failed to comply with the applicable hazardous waste accumulation standards and was generating hazardous wastes and waste oil in excess of its registered status. The company has agreed to pay the full \$1,035 Penalty.

3/23/18: MassDEP was notified that the joint motion filed in Suffolk Superior Court by the Commonwealth through the Attorney General's Office had resulted in an approved consent judgement. The judgement involves E&F Environmental Services, a New Hampshire asbestos abatement contractor licensed in Massachusetts and Frank Balogh is

E&F's co-owner and manager. New England Builders and Contractors (NEB) is a Methuen general contractor. TRC Environmental Corp is formerly Covino Environmental Associates (TRC), and Blackstone Architects, Inc. (Blackstone). The judgment allowed by the Court settles claims by the AG and MassDEP that the four companies violated the state's clean air law and regulations governing the removal, handling storage and disposal of asbestos containing material and asbestos containing waste material while working on renovations at the Salem housing facility, Pioneer Terrace. The consent judgment also resolves claims that Blackstone and NEB violated the state's False Claims Act when they submitted claims for payment to the Salem Housing Authority, certifying that the improper work was completed in compliance with state law. The consent judgment also resolves claims that E&F violated the state's clean air law and regulations governing the handling of asbestos while performing work at a multi-family residence in Medford. The consent judgment requires TRC to pay a civil penalty of \$60,000 and retrain staff through attendance at the Massachusetts Division of Labor Standards (DLS) training class. Blackstone will pay a civil penalty of \$45,000. NEB will pay a civil penalty of \$70,000, with an additional \$15,000 suspended and waived if staff complete the "Foreman's Course" at a DLS training class. E&F and Balogh will pay a civil penalty of \$130,000 with an additional \$20,000 suspended and waived if all employees complete the "Foreman's Course" at a DLS training class. Since both the Pioneer Terrace site and the Medford residence were remediated, no other injunctive relief was sought.

3/22/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$29,904 Penalty involving P.J. Keating Company for Air Quality violations in Lunenburg. The company's permit violations related to excessive dust and odor and missing pressure monitoring equipment. MassDEP also observed an unpermitted discharge of vehicle wash water and dust suppression water to a stream. Observations were made during a stack test in October 2016 and a follow-up visit in November 2016. The company will be required to develop and submit dust and odor minimization plans, install the pressure monitoring equipment on the asphalt particulate cyclone, and to submit a report on its best management practices for controlling industrial wastewater.

3/21/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Northern Tree Service, Inc. for Wetlands violations is Springfield. Northern Tree Service of Palmer must cease and desist from discharging sediment to resource areas and to

stabilize its work site. Northern is performing maintenance and repair of the Lower Van Horn Park dam in Springfield.

3/21/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$2,000 Penalty involving Electroswitch Switches & Relays for Hazardous Waste violations in Rockland. A multi-media inspection by MassDEP revealed that there was a failure to conduct the necessary annual personnel training on hazardous waste management procedures. In addition, Electroswitch failed to maintain a complete personnel training plan available on-site at the time of inspection by MassDEP. Today's Order ensures compliance with the Hazardous Waste requirements.

3/19/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$140,910 Penalty involving NASDI, LLC for Asbestos, Solid Waste and Hazardous Waste Management violations at several sites in Boston, Woburn, Lawrence and Stoughton. NASDI is a DLS licensed Asbestos contractor, and a demolition company that operates out of a facility in Woburn and also has a facility in Stoughton. After responding to a complaint regarding an Asbestos removal project at Drydock Avenue in Boston and observing violations, inspectors conducted a compliance inspection at both the Woburn and Stoughton facilities where they observed more violations related to Asbestos handling and storage, in addition to violations related to the storage, transportation and disposal of waste oil. MassDEP inspectors also received a complaint about an Asbestos waste trailer belonging to NASDI stored improperly at a site in Lawrence. Today's Order requires NASDI to return to compliance at both the Woburn and Stoughton facilities and cease and desist storing waste trailers at unauthorized sites. The noncompliance observed at the Boston site was quickly corrected and remediated. Today's Order also requires NASDI to pay a civil administrative penalty in the amount of \$90,000, with the remaining \$50,910 suspended to ensure continued compliance.

3/16/18: MassDEP issued a \$2,590 Penalty Assessment Notice to John Duquette (d/b/a Dukes Sand and Gravel) for Air Quality violations and Hazardous Waste violations occurring at its sand and gravel quarry located at 101 Grove Street in Adams. The violations included failure to submit a compliance certification for a stationary engine and failure to register as a generator of waste oil. MassDEP also issued a Unilateral Administrative Order to Duquette requiring the facility to correct the violations.

3/16/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$13,740 Penalty involving Roberts Brothers Lumber Co., Inc., for Air Quality violations in Ashfield. Roberts Brothers Lumber has failed to obtain an approval prior to the installation and operation of a generator to provide power to the facility. As part of the settlement, Roberts Brothers Lumber Co., Inc. has agreed to obtain an approval and will pay \$4,740 of the Penalty with an additional \$9,000 suspended pending compliance with the terms of the settlement.

3/16/18: MassDEP issued a \$15,800 Penalty Assessment Notice to Berkshire Construction Company, LLC, for Hazardous Waste violations in North Adams. The violations occurred at Berkshire Construction's facility located at 537 Ashland Street in North Adams. The violations included failure to register as a generator of waste oil, failure to comply with general waste oil management practices and failure to use a licensed hazardous waste hauler to transport waste oil. MassDEP also issued a Unilateral Order requiring Berkshires to correct the violations.

3/14/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$4,550 Penalty involving environmental violations at Marlborough Hospital in Marlborough. MassDEP conducted a multimedia inspection on 6/30/17 and found multiple violations of the Hazardous Waste and Underground Storage Tank Systems regulations. In lieu of paying the total penalty, the company will be conducting a Supplemental Environmental Project consisting of purchasing two gas monitors and two custom incident command boards for the city of Marlborough's Fire Department. The total cost of the SEP is three thousand three hundred sixty-five dollars (\$3,365).

3/14/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$29,506.69 Penalty involving USA Hauling & Recycling, Inc. for Waste Site Cleanup violations in Westfield. USA Hauling is a solid waste recycling and disposal corporation that is based in Enfield, Connecticut. USA Hauling failed to notify MassDEP within two hours of a sudden release of diesel fuel. On 9/6/17, while travelling in the vicinity of North Road in Westfield around 7:00AM, MassDEP observed city of Westfield personnel responding to a heavy oil sheen and diesel fuel odors on and in the vicinity of the road surface of North Road. Near 551 North Road and extending eastward to the North Road and Southampton Road (Route 10) intersection, MassDEP assisted the Westfield Fire Department and Department of Public Works with initial cleanup of the spill, including sanding of the roadway to prevent skidding hazard, as the spill occurred during a steady rain event.

Investigation indicated that Westfield officials had received a call regarding the spill from a citizen at approximately 5:20AM. Through interviews of involved public safety personnel, it was determined that a truck from USA Hauling had damaged a fuel tank and released approximately thirty gallons of diesel fuel onto the public roadway and a private access road. MassDEP then contacted USA Hauling regarding the spill, and USA Hauling subsequently arranged for a private contractor to complete cleanup of the roadway, dirt road shoulder, storm drainage system and impacted private property. USA Hauling will pay the \$16,918.97 Penalty, re-train its employees on responding to releases of oil and hazardous materials, and perform a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP). USA Hauling, in partnership with MassDEP, will provide a fully-stocked spill response trailer to the Westfield Fire Department. That spill trailer will contain absorbent and containment materials to allow the first responding fire department company to contain and lessen public safety threats and environmental impacts associated with roadway release of petroleum including gasoline MassDEP agreed to suspend the additional \$12,587.72 and diesel fuel. of the penalty provided USA Hauling successfully completes the SEP.

3/7/18: MassDEP Commissioner issued a Final Decision adopting the Office of Dispute Resolution's Recommended Final Decision. That Decision upholds a Penalty Assessment Notice and a Unilateral Order and does the following: dismisses Elpakco's appeals (for failure to prosecute), and affirms the \$33,000 Penalty. In addition it affirms the Order. Previously, back on 9/6/17, MassDEP issued the Order and the \$33,000 Penalty to Elpakco for violations of the state's Waste Site Cleanup violations stemming from Elpakco's prior manufacturing operation in Worcester. In 2006, Elpakco submitted a 'temporary solution' and 'remedy implementation plan' to address historic contamination from chlorinated solvents released at this Worcester site. The company later ceased conducting response actions, failed to respond to two notices of noncompliance MassDEP issued Elpakco, and failed to respond to MassDEP's Notice of Enforcement Conference. Going forward, Elpakco will initiate immediate assessment of a known indoor air exposure pathway, retract the 'temporary solution' Elpakco had submitted and requires them to comply with phase deadlines and implement the selected remedial alternative no later than 6/1/19.

3/7/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$3,750 Penalty involving the Three R's Realty Corporation for Wetlands violations in

Dudley. The company must resolve violations of the Wetlands Protection Act that associated with a soil reclamation project at its property off Oxford Ave in Dudley. That incident was a failure of its erosion and sedimentation controls during a rain event on 10/30/17 resulted in the deposition of sediment in Bordering Vegetated Wetlands, a resource area. The corporation has submitted a restoration plan, and has agreed to restore the wetland resource area and pay the \$3,750 Penalty.

3/6/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with \$10,000 Penalty involving Thomson Brothers Industries, Inc. (TBI) for Solid Waste violations in North Andover. TBI operates a recycling and transfer facility in North Andover. At the facility, TBI accepts construction and demolition (C&D) waste and commercial solid waste (CSW) collected from waste generators in the region. TBI processes and consolidates the C&D and CSW into transfer trailers for shipment to off-site facilities for further processing or disposal. The non-compliance cited includes TBI's failure to submit thirdparty inspection reports regarding the facility's Operation and Maintenance (O&M) and waste ban compliance as required by the Solid Waste Management Regulations. In addition, the actions were in not in compliance with the facility's revised facility permit and authorization to operate. MassDEP issued a Notice of Noncompliance to the facility earlier in 2016. Today's Order requires TBI to take the necessary actions to achieve and maintain compliance with the regulations and the facility permit. Further, today's action sets forth a schedule for TBI's third-party inspections and reporting through April 2019. TBI will make payment of \$7,500 and the remainder of the Penalty will be suspended pending its compliance with the Order.

3/6/18: MassDEP entered into an Amendment to an existing Consent Order with Quabbin Healthcare, Inc. to ensure compliance with Water Supply regulations in Petersham. The amendment pertains to the company reactivating the public water system at the facility to reflect additional requirements associated with activities in the Zone I and current water quality results requiring treatment.

3/5/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$3,000 Penalty involving Adam Quenneville Roofing & Siding, Inc., for Clean Water Act violations in Easthampton. Adam Quenneville Roofing & Siding, Inc. is a home improvement contractor based in South Hadley. On 9/3/17, at 9:48AM, MassDEP was notified by the Easthampton Fire Department

regarding the discharge of a 'white-ish' material at 52 O'Neill Street in Easthampton. MassDEP responded immediately to the site to inspect and assist the fire department in attempting to contain the liquid. At the time, the liquid was entering the storm drainage system and was discharging to the Manhan River. Information provided indicated that a roofing restoration product had been applied to the flat membrane roof for the commercial property by Quenneville Roofing employees the previous day. The product requires 12-24 hours to cure, and had been applied to the roof by personnel despite well documented rain forecasts for later that evening. The company retrained personnel on roofing product procedures and paid the full \$3,000 penalty for violation of the Massachusetts Clean Water Act.

3/5/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with an \$11,237 Penalty involving Lenze Americas Corporation for multiple environmental violations in Uxbridge. As a result of a multimedia inspection on 3/28/17, multiple violations of the Air Pollution Control, Hazardous Waste, Toxics Use Reduction, and Ground Water Discharge Permit Program regulations were discovered. MassDEP observed that the company's motor control unit manufacturing facility was operating without an air plan approval for emitting more than a ton of volatile organic compounds and was discharging industrial wastewater [washwater from cleaning parts] to the on-site septic system. The company also had an unregistered emergency engine; had hazardous waste handling violations; and had failed to submit toxics use reduction reports for three years for processing more than 100 pounds of lead per year. The company has since corrected the violations. The company also undertook, at MassDEP's request, the sampling of its wastewater and septic system. The results met state standards for nonhazardous waste and were below the ground water and soil contaminant reporting levels.

3/1/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$4,000 Penalty involving Northeast Biodiesel Company, LLC for environmental violations in Greenfield. Northeast Biodiesel Company, LLC, is the operator of a biodiesel manufacturing facility in Greenfield. MassDEP discovered during an inspection that Northeast Biodiesel was not following the monitoring, recordkeeping and reporting provisions of its 3/15/16 air quality plan approval. In addition, Northeast Biodiesel failed to comply with MassDEP's hazardous waste notification and labeling standards and did not register an emergency generator with the MassDEP's Environmental Results Program

(ERP). Northeast Biodiesel will pay \$3,000 of the Penalty with the additional \$1,000.00 suspended pending demonstrated compliance.

3/1/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$25,300 Penalty involving GKS Corporation for Groundwater Discharge violations in Southwick. The company is doing business as the American Inn, a Senior Living Facility, where the violations are relative to the failure to comply with the Groundwater Discharge Permit. Under a prior Consent Order with MassDEP, GKS was required to either construct a sewer connection/extension or secure a groundwater discharge permit for the facility. Under today's Order, GKS will pay \$7,500 of the Penalty with \$17,800 suspended provided all the terms, and schedule for compliance with the wastewater regulations and interim measures established in today's Order are met.

# February 2018

2/28/18: MasssDEP was notified that the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office had filed a complaint against Mid State Sewerage, Inc. for violations of the Clean Waters Act, the Hazardous Waste Management Act, Title 5 and the False Claims Act. Mid State operates a septage hauling business out of Millbury. The complaint alleges that Mid State illegally discharged septage into a manhole at a town pump station instead of the designated receiving point at the Upper Blackstone Wastewater Treatment Facility. Mid State also maintained an illegal underground storage tank at its facility to hold septage in order to facilitate its unauthorized discharges. The complaint also alleges that Mid State submitted documents to MassDOT with falsified or missing disposal locations in violation of its contract to collect septage from MassDOT facilities. Mid State sought payment for this work, falsely claiming that the work was performed in compliance with its contract.

2/20/18: MassDEP issued a Demand for \$1,000 Payment to Tri-County Recycling for Solid Waste violations in Ware. The Penalty is in relation to an existing Consent Order and a Stipulated Penalty provision for violations of that Order. Specifically, for storing waste outdoors in violation of their authorization to operate permit.

2/22/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to BI-QEM Inc., (d/b/a Chemiplastica) for alleged Air Quality violations in Northampton. BI-QEM

Inc. is a facility which produces urea and melamine thermo-set molding compounds and resins. During MassDEP inspections, it was discovered that BI-QEM Inc. was causing a condition of air pollution by allowing particulate matter emissions from the facility. Particulate emissions were apparent from the accumulation of dust around numerous dust collector vents, outside walls of the building, on the ground outside of the building, on the roof of the building, on the facility's parking lot, and on cars parked at a residence adjacent to the facility. In addition, two separate oil and water separators were observed to be discharging industrial wastewater, through a garden hose, to the outside of the building and onto the ground surface. Today's Order requires BI-QEM Inc. to immediately cease the emissions of fugitive particulate matter from the facility or, within seven days, perform an assessment of the fugitive particulate emissions and provide a written plan to control them and to initiate cleanup of any outside portion and/or area of the facility. BI-QEM was also ordered to provide a written plan outlining the steps that will be taken to comply with the provisions of its plan approval and to immediately cease discharge of pollutants to the ground waters of the Commonwealth.

2/22/18: MassDEP issued an Order to Cover Technologies and Maurice J. Murphy to abate a potential threat to human health and the environment posed by the generation of dirt and dust from respondents' operation of the former Hopedale Landfill in violation of an existing Consent Order. Murphy and CTI are closing and capping the landfill under the existing MassDEP soils policy. 11/6 & 11/14/17 and again on 2/12/18, MassDEP received photographs which showed that trucks leaving the landfill deposited dirt on the roadway. On 2/13/18, MassDEP observed that trucks leaving the landfill deposited dirt on the roadway. Dirt left on the roadway has impacted neighboring property owners, leaving dust on vehicles and prompting complaints regarding exposure to dust. Today's Order requires CTI and Murphy to immediately cease causing dirt and dust to leave the property and to submit plans to MassDEP within 30 days for a wheel-wash that will prevent dirt and dust leaving the landfill.

2/27/18: MassDEP issued a Demand Letter to Nasoya Foods USA LLC, for continued odor violations at the tofu manufacturing plant in Ayer. Today's \$11,000 Penalty is the amount that was agreed in an earlier Consent Order executed between MassDEP and Nasoya on 11/8/17 that the company would, among other requirements, operate the facility so as not cause a condition of air pollution through the generation of odors and to implement

a third-party odor complaint hotline and verification system. Residents began calling into the complaint line shortly thereafter and were most troubled with odors over the President's Day weekend. Today's Demand represents 11 days of confirmed odors by the consultant. The company is continuing to investigate the source of the problem and will be submitting as required under the Consent Order, an application for a new Air Quality control device, a thermal oxidizer.

2/23/18: MassDEP issued a Stipulated Penalty Demand for \$8,000 to Excel Recycling LLC for continued noise violations in Freetown. Last year, on 10/16/17, MassDEP and Excel Recycling, LLC entered into a Consent Order that establishes enforceable deadlines to undertake sound mitigation activities to bring Excel into compliance with their Final Air Quality Plan Approval for the operation of Excel's metal shredder. In part, it said '...no later than February 15, 2018, Respondent shall complete installation of the sound mitigation materials as provided by the approved Mitigation Plan. This deadline may be extended by MassDEP to no later than March 31, 2018 due to weather-related delays or delays in third party production or deliveries that are beyond Excel's control". On 2/14/18, at 3:20 pm, MassDEP received an email from Excel which included an attached letter requesting MassDEP extend the date for the installation of sound mitigation materials from 2/15/18 until 3/31/18. In response, MassDEP issued a deadline extension denial letter to Excel because Excel failed to justify a deadline for the extension.

2/20/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with Two State YMCA for Water Pollution Control to address compliance with Septic System requirements in Becket. The camp has constructed a groundwater discharge treatment facility and connected much of the camp to that facility. Today's Order provides for a schedule to connect additional Title 5 Systems to that facility.

2/7/18: MassDEP issued a \$61,750 Penalty to Dennis G. Burns for Asbestos violations in Worcester. The violations occurred during an asbestos-removal conducted at an occupied residential property in Worcester. MassDEP found Burns dismantled an asbestos-insulated boiler and removed asbestos containing pipe insulation without using any containment or HEPA filtration units. No notification was filed with MassDEP for the asbestos removal work. Numerous pieces of dry, friable asbestos containing insulation were observed uncontained on basement

floor at the site. Burns failed to retain a Massachusetts DLS-licensed asbestos contractor to clean and decontaminate all affected areas of the property and failed to finish installation of a new heating system resulting in significant additional expense to the property owner.

2/2/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with town of Plainville's Water Department for violating locational running annual averages for total trihalomethanes (TTHM's) and haleoacetic acids (HAA5's). TTHM's and HAA5's are disinfection byproducts resulting from reactions between chlorine and dissolved organic material. Today's Order establishes a schedule requiring a short-term response, engineering analysis, and long-term corrective actions.

2/2/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$12,500 Penalty involving DOT BLOCK LLC for Waste Site Cleanup violations at 1207 Dorchester Avenue in Boston. MassDEP was not notified of contaminated soil on the property within 120 days as required under state regulations. Contamination was identified on the property during an assessment of the property in June of 2015. MassDEP was notified of the contamination on February 17, 2017. DOT BLOCK LLC has agreed to pay a civil administrative penalty of \$12,500 with \$5,000 paid and \$8,500 suspended for the violations. DOT BLOCK LLC is transferring the property and the large block is being developed into commercial and residential units. There are plans for five buildings between four and six stories which will include 362 rental units, about 37,000 square feet of ground floor retail space, and a five story garage to include 450 parking spaces.

2/2/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$31,000 Penalty involving Pezzi Service Station at 571 Washington Avenue in Chelsea. Pezzi Service Station Inc. is a gas station and repair facility that failed to comply with a Notice of Noncompliance (NON) issued by MassDEP on 8/14/17. That Notice required a Release Abatement Measure Status Report or Completion Report and a Permanent Solution Statement or a Phase I Report and a Tier Classification on or before 11/15/17. Pezzi Service Station Inc. submitted the required documentation at the time of the enforcement conference. Pezzi Service Station Inc. will pay \$3,000 of the Penalty with \$28,000 suspended.

# January 2018

1/26/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$14,220 Penalty involving the town of Warren for Water Pollution Control violations in Warren. Today's Order addresses compliance with staffing, maintenance issues and sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) within the wastewater system in Warren. MassDEP identified the staffing and maintenance issues during an inspection of the system and recent SSO's are likely related to deferred maintenance. Warren is required to update its operations and maintenance plan, conduct a staffing analysis, submit a staffing plan and make specifically identified repairs and upgrades. MassDEP agreed to suspend the Penalty provided Warren complies with the terms of the Order.

1/24/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with the Island Terrace Nursing Home for Water Pollution Control violations in Lakeville. Today's Order addresses noncompliant effluent exceedances and requires optimization of the onsite innovative/alternative large wastewater septic system and sets caps on total wastewater flow and nutrient loading, as well as sets a lower nitrogen discharge limit.

1/23/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$10,000 Penalty involving FRP Holdings LLC for Waste Site Cleanup violations at its property located at 24-40 & 44 Main Street, Westfield. FRP Holdings Westfield, LLC reported a release of chlorobenzene at its Westfield property in January 2012 and submitted a Downgradient Property Status Opinion in May 2017. That Opinion specifically identified an upgradient location as the potential source of this chlorobenzene release. A subsequent Department audit of this Opinion identified several violations including a failure to notify for the detection of petroleum hydrocarbons in groundwater and violations of the performance standards. FRP Holdings retracted the Opinion after learning of these violations identified by the Department's audit. As part of today's Order, FRP has agreed to conduct an assessment of indoor air within a retail store building adjacent to which elevated petroleum hydrocarbons were detected in groundwater. In addition, FRP Holdings agreed to conduct additional response actions to address the chlorobenzene and petroleum hydrocarbon releases detected at its property. FRP Holdings will pay \$5,000 of the Penalty, and MassDEP has agreed to suspend \$5,000 of the Penalty provided all terms of today's Order are met.

1/22/18: MassDEP issued a Boil Water Order to John Hodgdon d/b/a CJ's Restaurant in Palmer. CJ's Restaurant reported detections of E.coli in its

distribution system and source. Today's Order requires investigation, emergency response, public notice and corrective actions.

1/22/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$3,245 Penalty involving SencorpWhite, Inc., for Air Quality and Hazardous Waste violations in Barnstable. MassDEP's inspection revealed the facility was generating Small Quantity Generator amounts of hazardous waste while registered as a Very Small Quantity Generator. It was also generating Large Quantity Generator amounts of waste oil while registered as a Small Quantity Generator. In addition, the company had failed to make a waste determination, providing sufficient aisle-spacing for container storage of hazardous waste, container labeling and failure to maintain all required copies of hazardous waste manifests. In addition, SencorpWhite, Inc. failed to apply for a plan approval for acetone emissions from production activities greater than one ton per year. Today's Order ensures compliance with the Hazardous Waste and Air Pollution Control requirements. Total Penalty includes past-due annual compliance fees.

1/18/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$32,000 Penalty involving the town of Nahant for Waste Site Cleanup violations at Bass Point Road in Nahant. As owner of the property, this site was formerly owned by the Department of Defense and the contamination was discovered when fuel oil tanks were removed from the property by the Department of Defense in 1995. The specific Waste Site Cleanup violations include failure to meet deadlines, and failure to meet deadlines set out in a Notice of Noncompliance MassDEP issued on 9/3/09. In addition, the town failed to meet deadlines established in an earlier Consent Order on 1/4/10. Today's Order now requires the town to submit a Tier Classification (permit) extension by 3/1/18, and a phase two (assessment) report by 9/28/18. Further, the town will then submit a phase three (remedy options/selection) report by 3/29/19, and a permanent solution statement or a temporary solution statement by 12/30/19. The site is an ocean front park with trails. Today's Order requires the payment of \$1,000 with the remaining \$31,000 suspended provided the requirements are met. There is also an additional stipulated penalty provision for any missed deadlines.

1/18/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$10,000 Penalty involving the Trustees of Boston College for Waste Site Cleanup violations in Newton, specifically, failure to notify of a release from an Underground Storage Tank with 72 hours of discovery. MassDEP agreed to suspend

\$5,000 of the Penalty pending the Trustee's compliance with cleanup requirements.

1/17/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$20,400 Penalty involving Environmental Response Services (ERS), Inc. for Asbestos violations in Norwood. ERS is a licensed asbestos abatement contractor. for violations of MassDEP's Asbestos regulations associated with the improper removal of asbestos-containing shingles from a commercial structure located at 74 Broadway Street in Norwood. ERS failed to comply with asbestos work practice requirements for the proper removal, handling and disposal of asbestos-containing materials. ERS's improper shingle removal caused a potential release of asbestos fibers to the environment and resulted in asbestos-containing debris impacting a parking area, sidewalks and roadway as well as surrounding residential properties. Immediately following the incident, ERS decontaminated all affected areas. ERS also modified their company policies, work practices and provided asbestos training to all of their employees in a proactive effort to ensure future compliance with regulations. MassDEP agreed to suspend payment of \$11,700 of the Penalty provided ERS does not further violate any of the regulations cited in the Order within a one-year period.

1/16/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with the town of War to address compliance with certified operator coverage while the public water system transitions to its primary operators in 2018 and beyond.

1/12/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$9,158 Penalty involving Seaman Paper Company of Massachusetts, Inc., for Hazardous Waste and Underground Storage Tank violations in Templeton. On 8/16/17, MassDEP conducted an inspection and observed at this company's decorative tissue paper manufacturing facility that it had been accumulating waste oil for more than 90 days. Further, they were not properly labeling drums of waste oil or marking the accumulation area, and had not conducted an integrity test on the two oil tanks sumps. Also, they had not posted required rectifier settings, did not have a properly-worded tank insurance document, and had not registered as a waste oil generator at its landfill gas-to energy plant at the Gardner landfill. In lieu of paying the total penalty to the Commonwealth, the company will be conducting a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) consisting of purchasing a vent fan, caution tape, propane meters, SCBA tanks, and fire truck piston intake valves for the local Fire Department.

1/11/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$17,250 Penalty involving Eurofins-Spectrum Analytical, Inc., for Air Quality violations at its Agawam facility. Eurofins provides environmental media testing services. As a result of an inspection of the company's facility, MassDEP determined that Eurofins was in noncompliance with conditions of its air quality permit which included failing to install required pollution control equipment and operation of equipment without demonstrating that the equipment could achieve the required control efficiency. As part of today's Order, Eurofins will correct the violations and pay the entire \$17,250 Penalty.

1/11/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$1,460 Penalty involving Governors America Corp. for Hazardous Waste violations in Agawam. Governors America Corporation will address hazardous waste violations at its facility which is a provider of engine governing and system controls to equipment manufacturers and power providers. As a result of a MassDEP inspection it was discovered that the company failed to comply with hazardous waste labeling and housekeeping protocols and pay the \$1,460 Penalty.

1/11/18: MassDEP was notified of a case in Essex Superior Court: Judge Thomas Drechsler of Essex Superior Court in Salem sentenced Jaime Ford to at least two years in state prison, with an additional four years on probation after serving the initial time. In addition the Judge ordered Ford to pay \$214,000 in restitution to several victims, insurance companies and MassDEP, which expended state monies to clean up asbestos waste that Ford had left outside a Chipman Road property in Beverly. Last year, Ford pleaded guilty to several counts of larceny, fraud and Asbestos violations, among other crimes, that he committed while holding himself out as a home improvement contractor. Ford was not a licensed general contractor and would use money paid to him by clients to buy personal vehicles and go on gambling trips to Florida casinos. What work he did do was shoddy, not to code and not in compliance with MassDEP Asbestos regulations.

1/10/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with a \$73,5750 Penalty involving Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc., for Hazardous Waste violations at 90 Rabbit Road in Salisbury. The facility is a licensed Hazardous Waste (HW) Treatment, Storage and/or Disposal Facility (TSDF). Today's Order resolves violations stemming from inspections on 5/24/17 & 6/13/17 where the violations included improperly labeled hazardous waste containers,

failure to keep UST sumps, manways and spill buckets free and clear of any accumulated liquids, improperly placed leak detection sump sensor for the hazardous waste UST. The facility was also missing weekly inspection criteria, inadequate training, and some of its equipment was not in good operating condition or installed incorrectly. The violations included failure to remove accumulated liquid in the sump and spill bucket of the virgin solvent and leak-detection sump sensors not installed correctly, damaged or incorrectly installed UST equipment, inaccurate certifications, and failure to have certain records available for inspection. Under the terms of the consent order, Safety-Kleen will pay \$60,375 of the penalty and \$13,200 will be suspended provided there are no further violations over the next year.

1/9/18: MassDEP entered into a Consent Order with an \$11,870 Penalty involving the city of Everett, for Underground Storage Tank violations at the city's Public Works facility at 19 Norman Street. The city owns and operates two UST systems: a 10,000-gallon UST for gasoline and a 10,000-gallon UST for diesel fuel. MassDEP found numerous and serious UST violations, including failure to have a functional leak-detection system as required for both the regular gasoline tank and diesel fuel tank. MassDEP found that a leak detection system at the facility had not been functional or even powered for a period of years. In addition, the city failed to annually certify the interstitial monitoring system; failed to remove standing water from the tank-top sumps; failed to remove fuel, water, and solid debris from the dispenser sumps; and, failed to produce the gasoline and diesel fuel tank-top turbine sump and dispenser sump integrity test records. Additional violations included the following failures: to remove fuel and standing water from the following spill buckets; to produce the spill bucket integrity test records for all of the spill buckets; to inspect and test the overfill prevention equipment annually; to replace the missing diesel fuel tank-top sump cover and properly anchor the gasoline dispenser piping; to maintain the required records and/or was unable to make them available to MassDEP upon request; and, to paint UST covers with correct color(s) to identify contents. Today's Order requires the city to correct all violations, pay \$8,902.50 of the Penalty with \$2,967.50 suspended, provided the violations are corrected and the city maintains compliance with the regulations for a period of two years.

1/8/18: MassDEP issued a Unilateral Order to Worcester Country Club Acres, LLC for Wetlands violations at 190 East Mountain Street in

Worcester. During the construction of a condominium complex adjacent to Poor Farm Brook the violation allegedly involved failure to maintain erosion controls as required by its Order of Conditions, and the resulting unauthorized alteration of approximately 3,000 square feet of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands (BVW) and 110 linear feet of Bank. Today's Order requires Worcester Country Club Acres, LLC to cease work other than that required to stabilize the site and to submit a plan to MassDEP for review in which the site would be returned to compliance.