PUBLIC NOTICE

MassDEP is providing the following updated Public Notice that was originally published on July 24, 2023. MassDEP is extending the public comment period for the Tentative Determination to Deny a Surface Water Discharge permit modification requested by Holtec Decommissioning International LLC until August 31, 2023 at 5:00 PM. Additionally, pursuant to 314 CMR 2.07, MassDEP will convene a public hearing on August 24, 2023 at 6:00 PM, Plymouth Town Hall, Great Hall, 26 Court St., Plymouth, MA 02360.

Notice is hereby given that the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), 100 Cambridge Street, Boston, MA 02114, under authority granted by the Massachusetts Clean Waters Act, M.G.L. c. 21, §§ 26 – 53, 314 CMR 2.00, 314 CMR 3.00 and 314 CMR 4.00, and in accordance with the requirements of the Ocean Sanctuaries Act, M.G.L. c. 132A, §§ 12A – 18, and 301 CMR 27.00, is issuing a Tentative Determination to Deny a Surface Water Discharge permit modification requested by Holtec Decommissioning International LLC, 1 Holtec Blvd., Camden, NJ 08104 for Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station (PNPS) (MA Permit No. MA0003557 issued to Holtec Pilgrim LLC). PNPS is located at 600 Rocky Hill Road, Plymouth MA 02360 and is currently authorized under a 2020 Surface Water Discharge permit to discharge certain types of pollutant discharges from outfalls # 001, 002, 004, 004A, 004B, 005, 005A, 005B, 006, 007, 007A, 010, 011, 012, 013, and 014 to Cape Cod Bay. The Tentative Determination to Deny and statement of reasons is available at https://www.mass.gov/service-details/massdep-publichearings-comment-opportunities. Alternatively, a copy of the document can be obtained by contacting Cathy Coniaris, MassDEP Surface Water Discharge Program, at 617-835-6693 or catherine.coniaris@mass.gov.

Written comments on the Tentative Determination to Deny will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on August 31, 2023. MassDEP strongly encourages written comments to be submitted by email to massdep.npdes@mass.gov; subject line: Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station. If not possible, please send by mail to Cathy Coniaris, MassDEP, 100 Cambridge St., Boston, MA 02114. Additionally, pursuant to 314 CMR 2.07, MassDEP will convene a public hearing on August 24, 2023 at 6:00 PM at Plymouth Town Hall, Great Hall. Information on how to provide voluntary attendance information will be available at: https://www.mass.gov/service-details/massdep-publichearings-comment-opportunities. Following the close of the comment period, MassDEP will issue a Final Determination regarding the proposed modification and forward copies to the applicant and each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice. The Final Determination will contain information regarding the opportunity to file an adjudicatory appeal pursuant to 310 CMR 1.01. Information regarding intervention and participation can be found at 310 CMR 1.01(7).

For special accommodations, please call the MassDEP Diversity Office at 617-292-5751. TTY# MassRelay Service 1-800-439-2370. This information is available in alternate format upon request.

By Order of the Department

Bonnie Heiple, Commissioner