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Judith L. Truax, Asst. Contract Manager Massachusetts Water Resources Authority 100 First Avenue Boston, MA 02129

Re: Fuel Supply Contract, Deer Island Project; Prevailing Wage Rates

Dear Ms. Truax:

This letter responds to your question of whether the provisions of the Massachusetts prevailing wage law, M.G.L. c. 149, §§ 26 - 27F, apply to the upcoming contract for the delivery of diesel fuel and unleaded gasoline to the Deer Island Project, along with the removal of waste oil (Contract # 6121).

A review of the technical specifications for this contract reveals that the work involved is not "construction" for purposes of M.G.L. c. 149, § 27D. Additionally, a significant nexus does not exist between the work of this contract and the public works project. Therefore, the provisions of M.G.L. c. 149, §§ 26 - 27F do not apply.

If you have any further questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely, Robert G. Knyuac

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