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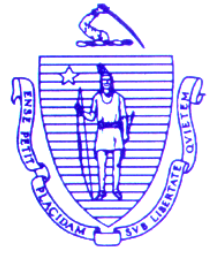
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 130, Section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries closed the following areas due to the release of sewage on Saturday May 26 at approximately 10:30 pm: Inner Essex Bay (N7.0), and Outer Essex Bay (N7.6) in the City of Gloucester and the Towns of Essex and Ipswich. The release of sewage was stopped on Sunday, May 27 at approximately 1:00 am. These areas will remain closed for a total of twenty-one days to allow for the natural depuration of viruses in accordance with the standards outlined in the National Shellfish Sanitation Program's Guide for the Control of Molluscan Shellfish.

Therefore, the below defined **CONDITIONALLY APPROVED** areas shall be re-opened to the harvest of shellfish for direct human consumption, effective sunrise June 17, 2018.

**CLASSIFICATION: CONDITIONALLY APPROVED**  
**STATUS: OPEN TO SHELLFISHING**

### **N7.0**

#### **Inner Essex Bay**

"The waters, flats, and tributaries of Essex Bay in the City of Gloucester and the Towns of Essex and Ipswich within the following metes and bounds: West of a line drawn southeasterly from the Choate House on Hog Island to a boulder with a red/orange colored mark on the western most point of Corn Island; west of line drawn southeasterly from the relic chimney on

the southeast most point of Cross Island to a red/orange colored marker near Tommy Island and the Essex/Gloucester corporate boundary; north of a line drawn from a red/orange colored marker on the property at No. 237 Concord Street to a red/orange marker on the property at No. 257 Concord Street; north of a line drawn west and north from a red/orange colored marker on the south bank of Lufkin Creek at the Essex River confluence to a red/orange colored marker on the opposite bank of the Essex River; south of line drawn due west from a red/orange marker on the western most point of Hog Island to a red/orange colored marker to the eastern bank of the "State Wildlife Management Area".

## **N7.6**

### **Outer Essex Bay**

"The waters, flats and tributaries of Essex Bay in the City of Gloucester and the Towns of Essex and Ipswich within the following metes and bounds: East of line drawn due north from the boulder on the north side of Long Island to a red/orange marker on the Castle Neck spit; east of a line drawn southeasterly from the Choate House on Hog Island to a boulder with a red/orange colored mark on the western most point of Corn Island; east of line drawn southeasterly from the relic chimney on the southeast most point of Cross Island to a red/orange colored marker near Tommy Island and the Essex/Gloucester corporate boundary; north and west of line drawn northeasterly from a rock outcropping with a red/orange mark on the property at No. 175 Concord Street to the green colored No. 3 Spindle; north of a line drawn due east from the green colored No. 3 Spindle to Two Loaf; and west of a line drawn southeasterly from the southern most tip of Crane's Beach to the northern tip of Two Penny Loaf."

Sincerely,



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