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Thelma Murphy, Water Permit Branch Chief
USEPA – New England
5 Post Office Square, Suite 100 (OEP06-1)
Boston, MA 02109-3912

**Re: Water Quality Certification
NPDES Permit MA0100633
Lowell Regional Wastewater Utility, 451 1st Street Boulevard (Route 110), Lowell**

Dear Ms. Murphy:

Your office has requested that Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (“MassDEP”) issue a water quality certification pursuant to Section 401(a) of the Federal Clean Water Act (the “Act”) and 40 CFR 124.53 for the above referenced NPDES permit.

MassDEP has reviewed the proposed permit and has determined that the conditions of the permit will achieve compliance with sections 208(e), 301, 302, 303, 306, and 307 of the Federal Act, and with the provisions of the Massachusetts Clean Waters Act, M.G.L. c. 21, ss. 26-53, and regulations promulgated thereunder. The permit conditions are sufficient to comply with the antidegradation provisions of the Massachusetts Surface Water Quality Standards [314 CMR 4.04] and the policy [October 21, 2009] implementing those provisions.

MassDEP hereby certifies the referenced permit.

Sincerely,

Lealdon Langley, Director
Division of Watershed Management
Bureau of Water Resources

ecc: Meridith Finegan, US EPA
Claire Golden, MassDEP