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ENVIR. APPEALS BOARD

March 30, 2007

Eurika Durr, Clerk of the Board Environmental Appeals Board 1103B U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Ariel Rios Building 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20460-0001

Re:

Town of Rockland Wastewater Treatment Plant

NPDES Appeal Number 06-06

Dear Ms. Durr:

Enclosed please find one original and five copies of the Motion to Withdraw Petition for Review, which the Petitioner requested me to file, with respect to the above referenced NPDES permit appeal.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Ann H. Williams

Senior Assistant Regional Counsel

Enclosures

cc:

Samantha Woods, Executive Director, NSRWA

Gary Thomas, Esq.

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BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCYAPPEALS BOARD WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Town of Rockland Wastewater Treatment Plant

NPDES Appeal No. 06-06

NPDES Permit No: MA0101923

MOTION TO WITHDRAW PETITION FOR REVIEW

COMES NOW the Petitioner, the North and South Rivers Watershed Association,
Inc., and respectfully submits to the Environmental Appeals Board (the "Board") this
Motion to Withdraw Petition for Review.

IN SUPPORT HEREOF, the Petitioner states as follows:

- 1. On January 26, 2006, Region I of the US Environmental Protection Agency ("Region") reissued a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("NPDES")

 Permit No. MA0101923 (the "Permit") to the Town of Rockland, Massachusetts authorizing wastewater discharges from the Rockland Wastewater Treatment Plant into the French Stream and establishing effluent limitations, monitoring requirements, and other conditions for such discharges.
- 2. On March 1, 2006, the Petitioner filed a Petition for Review by the Board contesting the Permit's compliance schedule, effluent limitations for nutrients, and infiltration/inflow control plan. In response, the Board directed the Region to submit a

response by April 21, 2006 that addressed the Petitioner's contentions and whether the Petitioner had satisfied the requirements for obtaining review.

- 3. On April 10, 2006, June 27, 2006, October 24, 2006 and February 20, 2007, the Board granted the parties stays of these proceedings until June 20, 2006, October 20, 2006, February 20, 2007 and April 1, 2007, respectively, to enable to the parties to continue negotiations toward a settlement of the issues raised in the Petition for Review.
- 4. The parties reached an agreement on the terms of a settlement that involved issuance by the Region of a Permit Modification that would, among other things, revise the compliance schedule for meeting the Permit's phosphorus and ammonia limitations.
- 5. On February 15, 2007, the Region issued a final Permit Modification addressing the issues raised in the Petition for Review, which will take effect on April 1, 2007.
- 6. The Town of Rockland has not filed an Appeal of the Permit Modification, and the appeal period has expired.
- 7. Because the final Permit Modification will take effect on April 1, 2007 and is consistent with the parties' settlement agreement, the Petitioner hereby moves to withdraw its Petition for Review.
- 8. The Petitioner further states that the Region has assented to this Motion to Withdraw Petition for Review, as indicated by its assent set forth below.

WHEREFORE, the Petitioner respectfully requests that this Board grant this Motion to Withdraw its Petition for Review.

DATED this 4 day of March, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I served the Motion to Withdraw Petition for Review in the above-captioned matter by facsimile and by mailing one original and five copies by First Class Mail on this day of March, 2007 to the Environmental Appeals Board (MC 1103B), Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20460-0001; and that a true copy of the foregoing was sent by facsimile and by First Class Mail, postage prepaid, to:

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and that a true copy of the foregoing was sent by First Class Mail, postage prepaid, to:

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