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David Webster, Chief
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**Re: Water Quality Certification - NPDES Permit MA0003531
Bird, Inc. d/b/a Certainteed Corporation, Norwood MA**

Dear Mr. Webster:

Your office has requested the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (the Department) to 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. The Department has reviewed the proposed permit and has determined that the conditions of the permit and attached state conditions 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, MGL c.21, §§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. In the event the final NPDES permit is substantially different or inconsistent with the draft permit, MassDEP may require EPA to submit the final permit for recertification. The Department, accordingly, hereby certifies the referenced permit.

Sincerely,

David Ferris, Director
Massachusetts Wastewater Management Program
Bureau of Water Resources

Cc: Shauna Little, EPA