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In Re: Footprint Power Salem Harbor Development, LP
Appeal No. PSD 14-02
Massachusetts DEP Application No. NE12-022
Massachusetts DEP Transmittal No. X254064

Secretary

KENNETH L. KIMMELL
Commissioner

Date Stamped: September 9, 2013

Mr. Scott G. Silverstein
Footprint Power Salem Harbor
Development LP
1140 Route 22 East, Suite 303
Bridgewater, NJ 08807

RE: SALEM
Transmittal No.: X254064
Application No.: NE-12-022
Class: OP119
FMF No.: _____

**PROPOSED AIR QUALITY PLAN
APPROVAL**

310 CMR 7.02
310 CMR 7.00: Appendix A
Including Section 61 Findings

**DRAFT PREVENTION OF
SIGNIFICANT DETERIORATION
PERMIT**

40 CFR 52.21

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PROPOSED NEW GAS-FIRED POWER PLANT in SALEM, MA
Public Comment Drafts

Dear Mr. Silverstein:

Footprint Power Salem Harbor Development LP (Footprint) has proposed the construction and operation of a 630 megawatt (MW) nominal (692 MW with duct firing) combined cycle electric generating facility (the proposed Facility) at 24 Fort Avenue in Salem, Massachusetts, the location of your existing power generating facility (Salem Harbor Station).

The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), Bureau of Waste Prevention, has reviewed your Application identified as Transmittal No. X254064, Application No. NE-12-022 and determined that the Application is administratively and technically complete. MassDEP hereby proposes to approve the construction and operation of the proposed Facility,

subject to the conditions set forth in the attached documents. Final action by MassDEP is subject to the public review process.

Enclosed please find the:

- (1) Proposed Plan Approval;
- (2) Draft Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Permit;
- (3) Draft PSD Permit Fact Sheet; and
- (4) Notice of Public Hearing and Public Comment Period (Public Notice).

To facilitate public participation, a copy of the foregoing documents will be posted on MassDEP's internet page <http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/massdep/>.

As you are aware, Footprint is responsible for ensuring that the Public Notice is published in the newspaper(s) of general circulation in the municipality where the Facility is proposed. Footprint has represented to MassDEP that it has arranged for the Public Notice to be published in The Boston Globe and The Salem News on Tuesday, September 10, 2013.

The Public Notice will also appear in this week's Environmental Monitor. MassDEP plans to send copies of the Public Notice to a number of individuals and organizations as a notice method reasonably calculated to give actual notice of the proposed permits to persons potentially affected by the proposed project and to elicit public participation.

The required Public Comment period will commence with the date of publication of the Public Notice. Footprint should promptly publish and forward proof of publication to the attention of James E. Belsky, Regional Permit Chief, Bureau of Waste Prevention, at 205B Lowell Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts 01887.

As you are aware, the Public Hearing has been scheduled for Thursday, October 10, 2013 at 7:00 PM at the Bentley Elementary School, 25 Memorial Drive, Salem, Massachusetts. The Public Comment period is scheduled to close at 5:00 PM on Friday, October 11, 2013.

After the Public Hearing and the close of the Public Comment period, MassDEP will commence a public comment review. As you are aware, MassDEP will not issue a final plan approval or PSD permit until EFSB has issued the approval required by Massachusetts General Laws, M.G.L. c. 164, Section 69J1/4.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Cosmo Buttaro by telephone at (978) 694-3281, or in writing at the letterhead address.

MassDEP letter re: Footprint Power Salem Harbor Development LP
Proposed Plan Approval and
Draft Prevention of Significant Deterioration Permit
Transmittal No. X254064, Application No. NE-12-022
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Sincerely,

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Cosmo Buttaro
Environmental Engineer

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James E. Belsky
Regional Permit Chief
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