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In the Matter of  
TOWN OF DENNIS  
  
Respondent.

THIRD ASSENTED-TO MOTION  
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
IN WHICH TO ANSWER THE  
ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT

**I. NEED FOR AN EXTENSION**

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the Administrative Complaint if, as appears likely, settlement of this matter and full compliance with the relevant regulations can be demonstrated without having to do so. The requested forty-five-day extension should provide sufficient time to determine if settlement is likely.

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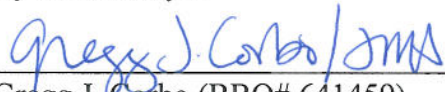
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**III. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION**

Because there is no prejudice to any other party and there is good cause for an extension of time in which to file an Answer to the Administrative Complaint, the Town respectfully requests that the time for filing an Answer to this Complaint be extended until January 21, 2010.

TOWN OF DENNIS

By its attorneys,

  
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Date: 12/8/09

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Janelle M. Austin, hereby certify that on the below date, I served a copy of the foregoing  
Third Assented-to Motion for Extension of Time in Which to Answer the Administrative Complaint,  
by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the following counsel of record:

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Senior Enforcement Counsel  
Office of Environmental Stewardship  
U.S. EPA, Region I  
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Re: In the Matter of Town of Dennis  
Docket No. CWA-01-2009-0072

Dear Ms. Santiago:

Enclosed for filing with respect to the above-referenced case, please find the Town of Dennis' Third Assented-to Motion for Extension of Time in Which to Answer the Administrative Complaint and a Certificate of Service.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Town Administrator (by first class mail)  
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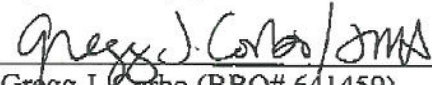
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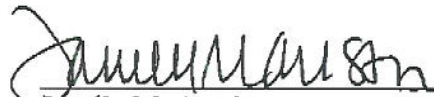
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