Ladies & Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 130, Section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that a portion of the classification sub-area SC:12.3, does not meet the criteria for a “CONDITIONALLY APPROVED” classification based on water quality. As a result of this examination, the below defined area will be reclassified to “PROHIBITED” as of sunrise on January 14, 2020.

Under the authority of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 130, Section 74A, the classification of the below defined area has been changed to "PROHIBITED" and closed to the taking of all shellfish. Digging, harvesting or collecting and/or attempting to dig, harvest or collect shellfish and the possession of shellfish from the below defined area is prohibited.

Under authority of 322 CMR 7.01 (7) all permits issued thereunder are hereby conditioned to prohibit the taking, selling or possession of shellfish from the below defined area.

REDEFINITION & RECLASSIFICATION

CLASSIFICATION: PROHIBITED
Status: Closed To Shellfishing

SC:12.3
Green Pond, North

“The waters, flats and all tributaries of Green Pond, in the Town of Falmouth, north of a line drawn west from the “NO SHELLFISHING” sign at #71 Sand Castle Drive to the “NO SHELLFISHING” sign on at #302 Acapesket Road on the opposite shore.”

Therefore, in accordance with Chapter 130, Section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has redefined the below area which still meets the criteria for a classification of “CONDITIONALLY APPROVED” with a status of “OPEN TO SHELLFISHING”. 
REDEFINITION

CLASSIFICATION: CONDITIONALLY APPROVED

Status: Open to Shellfishing
January 13 – May 31
[Dates Inclusive]

SC: 12.4
Green Pond South

"The waters and flats of that portion of Green Pond, in the Town of Falmouth, south of a line from the "NO SHELLFISHING" sign at #71 Sand Castle Drive to the "NO SHELLFISHING" sign on at #302 Acapesket Road on the opposite shore and north of a line drawn across the mouth of the pond."

Sincerely,

[Signature]
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