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COMMISSIONER

July 9, 2010

Tamara Lee Pinard, Executive Director Long Creek Watershed Management District 35 Main Street, Suite 3 Windham. Maine 04062

RE: Approval of Proposed Modification of Retrofits on Philbrook Avenue Associates Parcel

## Dear Tamara:

At the June 23, 2010 meeting of the Long Creek Watershed Management Governing Board, the Board approved the proposed modifications of retrofits on the Philbrook Avenue Associates parcel in the E-34 and E-24 catchments as identified in the Long Creek Watershed Management Plan. Approval is subject to Department sign-off and to continued involvement with the LCWMD during the design phase in order to ensure the project continues to meet the objectives of the Management Plan. Jeff Dennis and I attended the meeting and listened to presentations by the applicant's consultants and the following discussion by the board and others. I have also read and reviewed an undated memo from DeLuca-Hoffman Associates, Inc. to Philbrook Avenue Associates, LLC entitled "Long Creek Watershed Management Plan Priority Catchment E-24 and E-34 Retrofit Alternatives Analysis to Protect Future Development at 415 Philbrook Avenue", a memo entitled "Preliminary Cost Data" and dated June 22, 2010, to you from Steve Bushey, P.E. of DeLuca-Hoffman Associates, Inc. and an undated memo from Chris Baldwin of the Cumberland Co. Soil & Water Conservation District to you recommending approval of the alternative retrofit approach.

Based on my discussion with you and Jeff Dennis, attendance at the Governing Board meeting and review of the documents described above, I approve the proposal for the installation of a properly-designed gravel wetland or water quality filter (soil media). I concur that the consultant for Philbrook Avenue Associates, Inc. plan to have regular follow-up meetings with the District.

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