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John J. Flatley
John Flatley Company
50 Braintree Hill Office Park
Braintree, MA 02184-0168

RE: NHDES Letter (Dated October 10, 2017) – Multi-Family Project and PFAS

Dear Mr. Flatley:

Please accept this letter expressing the Town Council's concurrence with the requests made by NHDES in their October 10, 2017, letter to you setting forth their concern regarding poly and perfluoroalkly substances (PFAS) that may have impacts on the property approved for multi-family development (and future development potential for non-residential uses).


According to Clark Freise, Assistant Commissioner NHDES, the most recent testing of groundwater at St. Gobain, which as you know directly abuts this parcel, came in at 8,660 parts per trillion (ppt). For reference purposes the State has determined the maximum level of PFAS to be 70 parts per trillion (ppt).

The Town Council recognizes that the multi-family project has already received the necessary local site plan approval and state permits which allow you to begin construction at the property. The Council believes that even though the Council cannot require it, the recommendations from NHDES regarding pre-construction study and analysis of the PFAS situation on the property would be prudent and reasonable.

We urge you to consider the recommendations of NHDES prior to development of the property.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss further at a future Town Council meeting if you so choose. Please coordinate with the Town Manager's office if you wish to schedule a time on a future Town Council agenda.

Sincerely,


Eileen Cabanel
Town Manager

Cc: Nancy M. Harrington, Town Council Chair
Clark B. Freise, Assistant Commissioner, NHDES
Kevin Walker, John J. Flatley Company

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