#### STATE OF MAINE **DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**





**GERALD D. REID** COMMISSIONER

March 27, 2019

Mr. Robert Peabody. Jr. Bridgton Town Manager 3 Chase Street, Suite 1 Bridgton, ME. 04009

### RE: Integrated Compliance Information System (ICIS) #MEU507879 Maine Waste Discharge License (WDL) #W007879-6B-G-M **Proposed Draft License Modification**

Dear Mr. Peabody:

Enclosed is a **proposed draft** Maine WDL which the Department proposes to issue for your facility as a final document after opportunity for your review and comment. By transmittal of this letter, you are provided with an opportunity to comment on the proposed draft document and its special and standard conditions. If it contains errors or does not accurately reflect present or proposed conditions, please respond to this Department so that changes can be considered.

By copy of this letter, the Department is requesting comments on the proposed draft WDL from various state and federal agencies and from any other parties who have notified the Department of their interest in this matter.

Beginning today, Wednesday, March 27, 2019, the Department is making the draft WDL available for a 30-day public comment period. All comments on the proposed draft WDL must be received in the Department of Environmental Protection office on or before the close of business Monday, April 29, 2019. Failure to submit comments in a timely fashion will result in the final WDL document being issued as drafted.

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Comments in writing should be submitted to my attention at the following address:

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If you have any questions regarding the matter, please feel free to call me at (207) 287-7693 or send me an e-mail at <u>gregg.wood@maine.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Gregg Wood Division of Water Quality Management Bureau of Water Quality

Enc. cc: Fred Gallant, DEP/SMRO Lori Mitchell, DEP/CMRO Ellen Weitzler USEPA

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STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION 17 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, ME 04333

### **DEPARTMENT ORDER**

### IN THE MATTER OF

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TOWN OF BRIDGTON BRIDGTON, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, MAINE PUBLICLY OWNED TREATMENT WORKS SUBSURFACE WASTEWATER DISPOSAL MEU507879 W007879-6B-G-M APPROVAL PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF WATERS WASTE DISCHARGE LICENSE

## **MODIFICATION**

Pursuant to the provisions of 38 M.R.S. Section 414-A et seq., and applicable regulations, the Department of Environmental Protection (Department hereinafter) has considered the application of the TOWN OF BRIDGTON (Town/licensee hereinafter), with its supportive data, agency review comments, and other related materials on file and FINDS THE FOLLOWING FACTS:

## **APPLICATION SUMMARY**

The Town has submitted an application to the Department to modify Waste Discharge License (WDL) #W007879-6B-F-R / Integrated Compliance Information System (ICIS) #MEU507879, last issued by the Department on April 19, 2018, for a five-year term. The WDL authorized the discharge of 0.0308 million gallons per day (MGD) (30,800 gallons per day) of treated sanitary wastewater from a series of two sub-surface treatment systems to the groundwater, Class GW-A, in Bridgton, Maine. It is noted the April 19, 2018, license was in error and should have licensed the two subsurface systems for a total of 40,362 gpd as follows:

- 1) Central Main Street System (Dodge Field) to 18,900 gpd.
- 2) Lower Main Street System (Ball Field) to 21,462 gpd.

# **MODIFICATION REQUESTED**

The licensee has reassessed the capacity of the Dodge Field system given the system has an Oxypro pre-treatment system prior to being conveyed to the sub-surface disposal system. The licensee has determined the system is capable of treating up to 20,700 gpd. If approved the total flow authorized by the WDL would be 42,162 gpd.

# **MODIFICATION GRANTED OR DENIED**

The increase in the licensed flow from 18,900 gpd to 20,700 gpd for the Dodge Field system is acceptable to the Department.

#### CONCLUSIONS

BASED on the findings on page 1 of this modification and subject to the Conditions listed below, the Department makes the following conclusions:

- 1. The discharge, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, will not lower the quality of any classified body of water below such classification.
- 2. The discharge, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, will not lower the quality of any unclassified body of water below the classification which the Department expects to adopt in accordance with state law.
- 3. The provisions of the State's antidegradation policy, 38 M.R.S. Section 464(4)(F), will be met, in that:
  - (a) Existing water uses and the level of water quality necessary to protect and maintain those existing uses will be maintained and protected;
  - (b) Where high quality waters of the State constitute an outstanding national resource, that water quality will be maintained and protected;
  - (c) Where the standards of classification of the receiving water body are not met, the discharge will not cause of contribute to the failure of the water body to meet the standards of classification;
  - (d) Where the actual quality of any classified receiving water body exceeds the minimum standards of the next highest classification, that higher water quality will be maintained and protected; and
  - (e) Where a discharge will result in lowering the existing quality of any water body, the Department has made the finding, following opportunity for public participation, that this action is necessary to achieve important economic or social benefits to the State.
- 4. The discharge will be subject to effluent limitations that require application of best practicable treatment.

#### ACTION

THEREFORE, the Department APPROVES the above noted application of the TOWN OF BRIDGTON, to increase the licensed flow for the Dodge Field from 18,900 gpd to 20,700 gpd, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS, and all applicable standards and regulations including:

- Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Standard Conditions Applicable To All Permits, revised July 1, 2002, copy attached to WDL #W007879-6B-F-R / ICIS #MEU507879 issued by the Department on April 19, 2018, for a five-year term.
- 2. The attached Special Conditions, including effluent limitations and monitoring requirements.
- 3. All terms and conditions of WDL #W007879-6B-F-R / ICIS #MEU507879, issued by the Department on April 19, 2018, not modified by this licensing action remain in effect and enforceable.
- 4. This license modification becomes effective upon the date of signature below and expires on April 19, 2023, concurrent with WDL #W007879-6B-F-R / ICIS #MEU507879. If a renewal application is timely submitted and accepted as complete for processing prior to the expiration of this modification, the terms and conditions of this modification and all subsequent modifications and minor revisions thereto remain in effect until a final Department decision on the renewal application becomes effective. [Maine Administrative Procedure Act, 5 M.R.S. § 10002 and Rules Concerning the Processing of Applications and Other Administrative Matters, 06-096 CMR 2(21)(A) (effective June 9, 2018)].

PLEASE NOTE ATTACHED SHEET FOR GUIDANCE ON APPEAL PROCEDURES

DONE AND DATED AT AUGUSTA, MAINE THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

BY:

Gerald D. Reid, Commissioner

Date of initial receipt of application: December 17, 2018

Date of application acceptance: January 7, 2019

Date filed with Board of Environmental Protection

This Order prepared by Gregg Wood, BUREAU OF WATER QUALITY

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