STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION







GERALD D. REID COMMISSIONER

March 17, 2020

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> RE: Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit #ME0023329

Maine Waste Discharge License (WDL) #W007365-5S-I-R

Termination of Permit

Dear Ms. Schunemann:

By this letter, the Department of Environmental Protection (Department) is terminating the above referenced permit last issued on June 9, 2016 to ReEnergy Fort Fairfield LLC (ReEnergy) for their electric generating station in Fort Fairfield. The permit authorized the monthly average flow of 68,160 gallons per day (GPD) and a daily maximum flow of 138,000 GPD of non-contact cooling water boiler blowdown, backwash from ion exchange systems, wood fuel area storage leachate, site runoff, storm water, and process wastewater from a treatment lagoon to the Aroostook River, Class C, in Fort Fairfield.

Based on an email dated March 11, 2020 from you to me, it is our understanding you are requesting to terminate said MEPDES/WDL as the ReEnergy facility is no longer operational and has been demolished as of this date. On March 11, 2020, Sean Bernard, of the Department's Compliance staff confirmed that the facility is no longer there, and that no wastewater is being generated.

The Department will be inactivating the facility in our database so that Discharge Monitoring Reports and billing statements are not sent to ReEnergy in the future. By copy of this letter, we are notifying the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency of the retirement of the license.

Please be advised that a license may be needed from the Department for any future discharge of pollutants from this facility to the surface or ground waters of the State of Maine, either under current ownership or new ownership. Any new permit/license would be based on the characteristics of the effluent being discharged and the impacts of the discharge on the quality of the receiving water.

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If you have any questions regarding the matter, please feel free to call me at 287-7823.

Sincerely,

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