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RE: **No Impact Letter**

Dear Tonie:

The Department is in receipt of your Application for Certified Dealer New Wet Storage Permit recently submitted to the Department of Marine Resources (DMR), Bureau of Resource Management, Division of Public Health. DMR has requested this Department review the application to determine if a waste discharge permit is required.

Based on our review of the application we have concluded no feeding or chemicals are added to the handling or storage of oysters at your facility. Therefore, the Department has made the determination that the operation as described has a *de minimis* quantity of pollutants being discharged to waters of the United States and waters of the State of Maine. Therefore, as described, the proposed discharge does not require a Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MEPDES) permit from the Department of Environmental Protection.

If you have any questions regarding the matter, please feel free to call me at 287-7693.

Sincerely,

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