#### STATE OF MAINE



## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

### DEPARTMENT ORDER

TOWN OF STONINGTON	)	SEPTAGE (	ORDE	ER		
Stonington, Hancock County, Maine	)					
SEPTAGE DISPOSAL AND STORAGE SITE	)	RENEWAL				
S-005933-00-A-R -(DENIAL)	)	FINDINGS	OF	FACT	AND	ORDER

Pursuant to the provisions of 38 M.R.S.A. Section 1301 et seq., 38 M.R.S.A. Sections 481-488, 06-096 CMR Chapters 371-377, the Site Location of Development Law (effective November 1, 1979), and 06-096 Chapter 420, the Septage Management Rules (effective March 30, 1986), the Department of Environmental Protection has considered the application of the TOWN OF STONINGTON with its supportive data, agency review comments and other related materials on file and FINDS THE FOLLOWING FACTS:

# 1. <u>APPLICATION SUMMARY</u>

- a. <u>Application</u>. The applicant requests renewal of a septage disposal and storage site license which has expired.
- b. History. The site began operation in 1974. On September 8, 1989 a letter from the Department informed the applicant that the site was not in compliance with the Septage Management Rules. On November 26, 1991 the Department issued the applicant a Notice of Violation, stating that the site was heavily overloaded, insufficient area had been cleared for disposal and no warning signs were present at the site. Additionally, septage had been spot-dumped and allowed to run off-site toward a forested wetland.
- c. <u>Summary of Proposal</u>. The applicant proposes to continue operation of a septage disposal and storage site on a three-acre area off the Dump Road in Stonington.

#### 2. COMPLIANCE

As noted in paragraph 1b. above, the site has not been operated in compliance with the Septage Management Rules.

## 3. SOILS ANALYSIS

Two composite soils samples were collected at the site. Both samples were analyzed and one sample showed elevated levels of cadmium and nickel.

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BASED on the above Findings of Fact, the Department makes the following CONCLUSIONS:				
<ol> <li>Disposal of septage at the site may contaminate ground or surface water; and</li> </ol>				
<ol> <li>Disposal of septage at the site may constitute a hazard to health and safety and create a nuisance.</li> </ol>				
THEREFORE, the Department DENIES the above noted application of the TOWN OF STONINGTON.				
DONE AND DATED AT AUGUSTA, MAINE, THIS 3vd DAY OF Jage, 1992.				
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION				
BY: Wan M. Armsuche for Dean C. Marriott, Commissioner				
PLEASE NOTE ATTACHED SHEET FOR GUIDANCE ON APPEAL PROCEDURES				
Date of initial receipt of application 9/1/89				
Date of application acceptance				
Date filed with the Board of Environmental Protection JUN - 5 1992				

BOARD OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROT. STATE OF MAINE

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