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Tim Lindsay  
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**RE: Variance Permit for CMR 01-026, Chapter 29**

Dear Mr. Lindsay:

The Board adopted a policy in 2013 allowing for the issuance of multi-year variances for the control of invasive species. In determining this policy the Board emphasized the need for a long-term plan for re-vegetation of the site, and demonstration of knowledge of efficacy and appropriate practices—the goal being to ensure that the site is reverted to native species, and not made available for another invasive species.

The Board also emphasized the fact that there is a native species of phragmites (*Phragmites americanus*) and care should be taken to ensure proper identification.

This letter will serve as your Chapter 29 variance permit until December 31, 2016 for the treatment of phragmites (*Phragmites australis* subsp. *australis*) on the site on Great Diamond Island. Please bear in mind that your permit is based upon your company adhering to the precautions listed in Sections V and X of your variance application. If it is determined that a different product needs to be used, you must contact the Board first and get a new variance.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact me at 287-2731.

Sincerely,

Henry Jennings  
Director  
Maine Board of Pesticides Control