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RE: Massachusetts Water Resources Authority
Permit Number MA0103284
Part 1.7 Quarterly Ambient Monitoring Report

Dear Ms. Murphy and Mr. Haas:

I am pleased to submit two recently-finalized interpretive synthesis reports providing results from MWRA’s baseline Outfall Monitoring Program and permit-required Ambient Monitoring program. Part I.7.c.iv of the permit requires:

“The results of all monitoring required by the ambient monitoring plan or the eutrophication model shall be reported to EPA, MADEP, OMSAP and NMFS, on a quarterly basis.”

The enclosed reports contain results from fish and shellfish monitoring in 2000, and of water quality monitoring in Massachusetts and Cape Cod Bays in January through July 2000, all of which constitute baseline monitoring results.

MWRA anticipates finalizing synthesis reports containing discharge monitoring data later this year. The first discharge monitoring synthesis reports will be the second semi-annual water report from 2000, the 2000 annual water column monitoring report, and the 2000 nutrient flux report.

MWRA will provide raw monitoring data upon request.
If you require additional information or need clarification, please contact Michael Mickelson, Program Manager for Outfall Monitoring at (617) 788-4746.

Sincerely,

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Attachments: two Monitoring Reports


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