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Ladies & Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 130, Section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that a portion of the shellfish growing area in Tisbury Great Pond (V:31.5), in the Towns of Chilmark and West Tisbury, no longer meets the established criteria for the harvest of shellfish due to unacceptable water quality. As a result, the status of this below-defined area has been changed to "**CLOSED TO SHELLFISHING**".

Therefore, under authority of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 130, sections 74A and 75, the status of the below-defined area has been changed to "Closed to Shellfishing". Digging, harvesting or collecting and/or attempting to dig, harvest or collect shellfish and the possession of shellfish from the below-defined area is prohibited.

Under authority of 322 CMR 7.01(7), all permits issued thereunder are hereby conditioned to prohibit the taking, selling or possession of shellfish from the below-defined area.

CLASSIFICATION: CONDITIONALLY APPROVED

Status: Closed To Shellfishing

(June 1- October 15)

[DATES INCLUSIVE]

V:31.5

"The waters and flats of Tisbury Great Pond in the Towns of Chilmark and West Tisbury southerly of a line drawn from the "NO SHELLFISHING" sign on Big Sandy Point, Chilmark to the "NO SHELLFISHING" sign on Plum Bush Point in West Tisbury to westerly of a line drawn from Plum Bush Point to Zephonies Point, Chilmark".

The preceding Conditionally Approved area shall remain in the closed status during the inclusive dates. The status will not automatically revert to "Open to Shellfishing" on October 15, 2013 and will remain closed until examined by the Division and notification is made that the area has been placed in the open status.

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