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Sandra Blick New Jersey Department of Transportation P.O. Box 600 Trenton, NJ 08625

> RE: Emergency Authorization File and Activity No.: 1414-11-0001.2 FHA220001, FWW220001 Applicant: New Jersey Department of Transportation Project: Route 15 SB Emergency Repair Route 15 SB ROW; Block 307.01 and Lot 1.02 Township of Jefferson, Morris County

Dear Ms. Blick:

The Division of Land Use Regulation has received your request for an emergency permit authorization to replace the existing 24-inch corrugated metal drainage pipe with a proposed 24-inch reinforced concrete drainage pipe along Route 15 southbound lane, in the Township of Jefferson, Morris County.

The drainage pipe replacement is shown on the two (2) plan sheets, undated, and entitled "New Jersey Department of Transportation Construction Plans Route 15 SB Contract No. 003213060."

Based upon the information provided, the NJDEP Division of Land Use Regulation hereby authorizes the NJDOT to undertake the above activities. This authorization is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The permittee shall commence the approved emergency activities within 30 calendar days of the date of this letter, unless extended by the Department. If the emergency activities are not commenced within 30 calendar days of the Department's approval, the emergency permit is automatically void on the 30th calendar day after the date of this letter.
- 2. The permittee shall complete activities authorized under this emergency authorization within 60 calendar days of the Department's approval. If the regulated activities authorized under this emergency authorization are not completed within 60 calendar days, the regulated activities shall

cease until either a general permit or individual permit authorization is obtained, or another emergency authorization is obtained.

- 3. The permittee shall submit to the Department a complete application for a Flood Hazard general permit or individual permit and a Freshwater Wetlands general permit, as necessary, within 90 calendar days of the date of this letter.
- 4. Any activity performed under an emergency permit shall meet all requirements that apply to that activity under the Flood Hazard Area Control Act rules and the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act rules.
- 5. Upon review of the permit application and associated as-built drawings (as referenced at No. 3 above), the Department shall require modification, restoration and/or stabilization measures as necessary to ensure compliance with these rules.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact me at Stephen.Olivera@dep.nj.gov.

Sincerely,

Stephen Olivera, P.E., Manager Division of Watershed Protection & Restoration Bureau of Flood Hazard & Stormwater Engineering