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Grover Fugate, Executive Director COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL Oliver H. Stedman Government Center 4808 Tower Hill Rd., Suite 3 Wakefield, RI 02879-1900

RE: Preliminary Determination, Perry Raso, Proposed Aquaculture Farm Lease in Potter Pond

Dear Director Fugate,

The South Kingstown Conservation Commission has reviewed the above referenced Preliminary Determination application at its regular meeting on October 4, 2017. This application comprises a proposal by Perry Raso to establish a new oyster and scallop farm lease area in Potter Pond inclusive of floating gear and spat bags. At its meeting, the Commission approved the following motion:

"The South Kingstown Conservation Commission has reviewed the Preliminary Determination application from Perry Raso for a proposed aquaculture farm lease in Potter Pond. The Commission recommends denial of the application based on the following concerns:

- The Commission has concerns that the applicant has not demonstrated clear evidence that this proposal meets CRMC's minimum requirements with regard to CRMC Section 300.1 Category B: (3), (5), (7), (8), and (10).
- The Commission has concerns that the proposed lease area (three acres) is excessive in size and could be reduced to minimize its impacts."

Your attention to this matter is appreciated. Please feel free to contact the South Kingstown Planning Department if you have questions at 789-9331 ext. 1244.

Sincerely,

David Flanders, Chair Conservation Commission

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