STATE OF RHODE ISLAND COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Oliver Stedman Government Center 4808 Tower Hill Road Suite 3, Wakefield, RI 02879

In accordance with and pursuant to the provisions of the "Administrative Procedures Act" (Section 42-35-3 of the General Laws of Rhode Island) and the Rule and Regulations of the Coastal Resources Management Council, notice is hereby given of the intention of the Coastal Resources Management Council to change the management plans, policies, procedures and regulations of the agency regarding planning and management of the coastal resources of the State relative to Chapter 46-23 of the State of Rhode Island

The following changes are proposed:

Salt Pond Region SAMP

Section 920.2: Control of Pollution from Storage Tanks

1. Definitions

(a) Underground Storage Tanks (UST) include any one or more underground tanks and their associated components, including piping, used to contain an accumulation of petroleum product or hazardous material.

2. Policies and Regulations

- (a) Except for propane and liquid natural gas, Bourial of domestic USTs is prohibited in the Salt Pond Region
- (b) Commercial USTs must meet all current state standards and applicants must apply for a CRMC permit. Applicants must demonstrate an adequate construction design and means for monitoring for leakage, and shall replace all leaking tanks according to RIDEM regulations.

3. Recommendations

(a) CRMC recommends that homeowner's close their petroleum USTs by contacting RIDEM and following the proper procedures as indicated in the RIDEM UST regulations.

Narrow River SAMP

Section 920.4: Control of Pollution from Storage Tanks

1. Definitions

(a) Underground Storage Tanks (UST) include any one or more underground tanks and their associated components, including piping, used to contain an accumulation of petroleum product or hazardous material

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2. Policies and Regulations

- (a) Except for propane and liquid natural gas, Burial of domestic USTs is prohibited in the Narrow River watershed.
- (b) Commercial USTs must meet all current state standards and applicants must apply for a CRMC permit. Applicants must demonstrate an adequate construction design and means for monitoring for leakage, and shall replace all leaking tanks according to RIDEM regulations.

3. Recommendations

(a) CRMC recommends that homeowner's close their petroleum USTs by contacting RIDEM and following the proper procedures as indicated in the RIDEM UST regulations.

NOTICE

These changes are considered to be routine program changes to the Federally approved Coastal Resources Management Program of Rhode Island. The CRMC will be requesting that the federal Office of Ocean and Coastal Resources Management concurs with this determination. Persons who disagree that these are routine modifications may submit written comments within three weeks of the date of the issuance of this notice to:

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The Public Hearing will be held in the Boardroom, Narragansett Bay Commission, One Service Road, Providence, RI, on Tuesday, June 22, 2004, at 6:00 p.m..

Parties interested in/or concerned with the above mentioned matter are invited to be present and/or represented by counsel at the above mentioned time and place. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Council office at 783-3370, 72 hours in advance of the hearing date.

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Further information may be obtained by contacting the Coastal Resources Management Council offices at 783-3370. Oral statements will be heard and recorded and statements may be submitted to hearing Officers at the time of hearing.

Signed this 10th day of May, 2004.

Grover J. Fugate, Executive Director Coastal Resources Management Council

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