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By e-mail and US Mail

Mr. Jerry Ciotola
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Region 2
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Re: Administrative Order CWA-02-2011-3022;
Quarterly Report for quarter ending August 31, 2013

Dear Mr. Ciotola:

I am writing to submit the Village's seventh quarterly report.

This is the update for the period of June 1, 2013, through August 31, 2013.

This report contains issues I have communicated with you previously as noted in our press release on water quality improvement actions.

Attached (to the mailed copy) is a copy of the Phase 3 Report submitted by Arcadis dated September 17, 2013, which we received on September 18, 2013.

The Village of Mamaroneck is pleased to report the results of the positive, cooperative efforts that have come to fruition, through surveys, inspections and investigation into problem areas around the Village of Mamaroneck and the Mamaroneck Harbor. Through a joint investigative effort of the Village, Save the Sound and the Village's consulting engineers with Arcadis, several sewage leaks and discharges have been discovered and repaired around the Village of Mamaroneck.

As the result of these coordinated efforts, we have the following positive update and news on corrective actions to report:

* Thirty seven (37) dye-test letters were sent out to neighborhood homes along the neighborhoods along Halstead Avenue, east of the Mamaroneck River. As the result of this dye-test program, a single-family home was discovered to exist without a sewer line connecting the house to the sewer. It is reported that corrective actions have been implemented and the sanitary sewer lines have properly connected as of this date, ending the discharge of raw sewage into the storm drain lines. Dye tests performed by Arcadis

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confirmed proper connection of the sanitary sewer pipe and complete curtailment of sewage outflow into the storm drain lines.

* An illicit discharge was discovered at a stream crossing by Harmon Avenue in an abandoned sewer line that was leaking and allowing sewage to get into the abandoned line, discharging sewage into the Sheldrake River. A concrete plug was repaired, and an additional two feet of line were fully plugged to prevent further leaks.

* A broken sewer lateral line was discovered along the banks of the Otter Creek. Ownership of the line was investigated and confirmed as belonging to the Mamaroneck Beach and Yacht Club (MBYC), the owner was notified the same day to make immediate repairs to the line, flow was stopped into the line immediately with bypass pumping and trucking off-site using a private sewage tanker company. A repair of the line was implemented within approximately forty eight (48) hours. The Building Department will be coordinating further with this property to implement a full upgrade of the line through acceptable industry means and methods, since the rest of the sewer line has reached the end of its useful life.

* Investigations behind a retail A & P food store, near their garbage containers, discovered grease and fecal coliform bacteria leaking from a garbage container. The Building Department has been coordinating corrective action with the business to effect immediate and long-term corrective measures to prevent future occurrences.

* The Village is continuing our weekly field-vacuuming efforts in Harbor Island Park and Columbus Park, to remove goose droppings and reduce the amount of animal fecal coliform being washed into the rivers and into the Harbor and Long Island Sound. As of today, September 20, 2013, we have retained the services of a goose-chasing dog company to chase away the geese, to help reduce the goose-waste problem further.

The results of these coordinated efforts are visible in the improved bacteria levels that have been tested and provided to the Village by the Westchester County Health Department, which noted the Village's efforts appear to be making headway to improving the water quality at the beaches in Mamaroneck Harbor and in the Long Island Sound.

Attached are the summer-long test results from the Westchester County Department of Health.

I can be reached at 914-777-7706 with any questions, or to discuss or expand upon any portion of this report.

Very truly yours,


Richard Slingerland
Village Manager

cc: Mayor and Board of Trustees
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Charles Goldberger, Village Attorney
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