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David W. Cash, Regional Administrator
United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region 1
5 Post Office Square – Suite 100
Boston, Massachusetts 02109

RE: <u>Certification of the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's Underground Storage Tank Program</u>

Dear Dr. Cash:

I am writing to you regarding the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's (the "Department") application for approval of its underground storage tank program ("UST Program").

Pursuant to authority delegated by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (see attached delegation letter), and in accordance with Section 9004 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act and the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, and 40 CFR Part 281, I hereby certify that, in my opinion, the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as set forth in section three of the Department's State Program Approval application, provide adequate authority to: (1) carry out the "no less stringent" technical requirements submitted by the Department; (2) adequately enforce compliance with the UST Program; and (3) regulate, at a minimum, the same UST universe as the Federal UST Program.

The specific authorities provided are contained in statutes and regulations lawfully adopted at the time this letter is signed.

Very truly yours,

/s/ I. Andrew Goldberg
I. Andrew Goldberg
Assistant Attorney General

cc: Benjamin Ericson, General Counsel, MassDEP