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## Water Management Act Permit Application Received by the Department of Environmental Protection, Southeast Regional Office, For the South Coastal Basin

The Town of Scituate, Department of Public Works Water Division, has filed an application for a permit under the Water Management Act (WMA), M.G.L. c.21G. Written comments on this application will be accepted through close of business (5:00 pm) on Friday, **February 16, 2007**. Comments must be submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection, Southeast Regional Office, 20 Riverside Drive, Lakeville, Massachusetts 02347, Attention: Leslie O'Shea, or via e-mail to leslie.o'shea@state.ma.us.

The Town of Scituate is currently authorized to withdraw an average daily volume of 1.49 MGD (million gallons per day) under WMA Registration #421264.01 and 0.24 MGD under WMA Permit #9P4421264.02, for a total average daily withdrawal volume of 1.73 MGD, or 631.45 MGY (million gallons per year). The current authorized withdrawal volume was based on an interim Water Needs Forecast (a.k.a. demand projection) for the Town of Scituate. On November 9, 2006, the Massachusetts Water Resources Commission approved two new sets of Water Needs Forecast for Scituate; one forecast for Scituate without Humarock, and another forecast for Scituate with Humarock. At this time, water for the Humarock area is purchased from the Town of Marshfield. Scituate may decide to connect Humarock to its own water system, if this is determined to be the most cost effective way to supply Humarock with water. Scituate is requesting to increase the WMA authorized volume from 1.73 MGD to 1.85 MGD (or 675.25 MGY) without Humarock. Should Scituate decide to connect Humarock before the permit end date of August 31, 2010, Scituate is requesting to increase the WMA authorized volume from 1.73 MGD to 2.01 (or 733.65 MGY).

No additional withdrawal points are requested by this permit application. Scituate's authorized withdrawal points are Wells #10, #11, #17A, #18B, #19 and #22, and Old Oaken Bucket Pond (including the Herring Brook System).

A copy of the application is available for review at the Department's Southeast Regional Office in Lakeville; please contact the Service Center at (508) 946-2700 to schedule an appointment. A copy of the application is also available for review at the Scituate Water Division, 4 Old Oaken Bucket Road, Scituate, MA 02066 between the hours of 8:00 am and 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

This information is available in alternate format. Call Donald M. Gomes, ADA Coordinator at 617-556-1057. TDD Service - 1-800-298-2207.

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