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CERTIFICATE OF THE SECRETARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS  
ON THE  
NOTICE OF PROJECT CHANGE

PROJECT NAME : Genzyme Manufacturing Facility  
PROJECT MUNICIPALITY : Boston  
PROJECT WATERSHED : Charles  
EOEA NUMBER : 8907  
PROJECT PROPONENT : Genzyme Corporation  
DATE NOTICED IN MONITOR : N/A

Pursuant to the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (G. L. c. 30, ss. 61-62H) and Section 11.06 of the MEPA regulations (301 CMR 11.00), I hereby determine that this project change is insignificant and does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report.

As described in the Environmental Notification Form (ENF), which was reviewed in 1992 and received a Certificate from the Secretary of Environmental Affairs, the project development program entailed the construction of up to 480,000 square feet (sf) of biotechnology manufacturing facilities, research and development space, and corporate offices and a 480-space parking structure to be located on a nine-acre parcel of land to be leased to the proponent by the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority (MTA). The Certificate on the ENF required the submission of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR), but the proponent requested and received a Waiver to construct Phase I of the project in advance of the submission of the EIR in a Final Record of Decision (FROD) issued on March 2, 1992. Phase I of the project, which has been constructed and occupied, entailed the development of a biotechnology manufacturing building containing 130,490 sf of gross floor area and 29,000 sf of mechanical and utility areas, as well as a 120-space surface parking lot on approximately three acres of the nine-acre site.

As described in the NPC, the project change entails the elimination of all subsequent phases from the project development program. Under its lease with the MTA, the proponent had an obligation to commence construction on subsequent phases by June 1, 1997, of not less than

200,000 sf of additional development. The failure by the proponent to exercise this option resulted in a loss of any rights to further build-out of the project development program. As a result, the proponent can no longer construct any of the originally proposed subsequent phases of the development program. The proponent has since constructed and occupied its corporate headquarters at 500 Kendall Street in Cambridge.

I find that the proposed project change is insignificant, in accordance with the MEPA regulations at 310 CMR 11.10(6), and that no further review of the project under MEPA is required as a result of the proposed change. The previous requirement to submit an EIR is hereby rescinded.

September 14, 2006  
Date

  
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