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RE: Massachusetts Water Resources Authority  
Permit Number MA 0103284  
Quarterly Ambient Monitoring Results and Contingency Plan Reporting

Dear Ms. Studlien and Mr. Ferris:

In fulfillment of Part I.7.c.iv of MWRA's permit, "The results of all monitoring required by the ambient monitoring plan or the eutrophication model shall be reported to EPA, MADEP, OMSAP and NMFS, on a quarterly basis," I am pleased to submit the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority's ("MWRA's") quarterly report on ambient monitoring results.

One report was completed this quarter. The 2013 marine mammals report summarizes sightings of marine mammals on MWRA monitoring surveys in Boston Harbor and Massachusetts Bay in 2013.

In addition, a hard copy of the on-line Contingency Plan Report, First Quarter 2014 Ambient Monitoring, is attached. The citation for the 2012 water column monitoring results that was submitted last quarter was incorrect. The report itself is unchanged. The correct citation is below.

MWRA will provide raw monitoring data upon request. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call Betsy Reilley at 617-788-4940.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Hornbrook  
Chief Operating Officer

Enclosures: One ambient monitoring report and one ambient monitoring contingency plan results report. These reports are available online. To request a hard copy, please email [web.enquad@mwra.state.ma.us](mailto:web.enquad@mwra.state.ma.us) or call Betsy Reilley at (617) 788-4940.

Citation:

Wu D. 2014. **Summary of Marine Mammal Observations during 2013 Surveys**. Boston: Massachusetts Water Resources Authority. Report 2014-06. 15 pp. Available at <http://www.mwra.state.ma.us/harbor/enquad/pdf/2014-06.pdf>

MWRA. April 11, 2014. Contingency Plan Report, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2014, Ambient Monitoring. Available at <http://www.mwra.state.ma.us/harbor/pdf/2014q1cpqamb.pdf>.

Corrected citation for 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter, 2013 submission:

Libby PS, Borkman DG, Geyer WR, Turner JT, Costa AS, and Mickelson MJ. 2013. **2012 Water Column Monitoring Results**. Boston: Massachusetts Water Resources Authority. Report 2013-15. 50 pp + appendices. Available at <http://www.mwra.state.ma.us/harbor/enquad/pdf/2013-15.pdf>

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