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November 24, 2014

Mr. Mark Wagner,
Regional Property Manager,
Federal Realty Investment Trust,
5 Middlesex Avenue – 4th Floor,
Somerville, MA 02145

RE: Public Comment Notice for
Notice of Intent for Coverage under a General Groundwater Discharge Permit
For a Private Wastewater Treatment Facility
Atlantic Shopping Plaza, 267-271 Main Street, North Reading, MA 01864
MassDEP Transmittal No. X262878
Groundwater Discharge Permit No. 953-0

Dear Mr. Wagner.:

The Massachusetts Clean Waters Act (M.G.L. c.21, s.26-53) was amended by Chapter 246 of the Acts of 1973 to authorize the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (“MassDEP”) to regulate discharges into all waters of the Commonwealth, including groundwaters. MassDEP regulates discharges through the issuance of discharge permits which impose limitations on the amount of pollutants which may be discharged in effluent, together with monitoring and reporting requirements and other conditions to ensure adequate treatment of all liquid wastes prior to discharge.

MassDEP has reviewed your Notice of Intent (the “NOI”) application for coverage under the General Permit for a Privately Owned Wastewater Treatment Facility submitted on August 26, 2014, on behalf of the Atlantic Shopping Plaza, located at 267-271 Main Street, North Reading, MA 01864 to discharge treated sanitary sewage from a proposed on-site wastewater treatment facility, to the ground. MassDEP has determined that the NOI is complete and that the proposed facility complies with the requirements for coverage under the General Permit for Privately Owned Wastewater Treatment Facility. Please refer to MassDEP’s website at <http://www.mass.gov/eea/docs/dep/water/laws/i-thru-z/pstfp.pdf> for a copy of the applicable General Permit.

A decision regarding this NOI cannot be finalized at this time because of provisions in the Law regulating public notice of the proposed general permit coverage and opportunity for public comments and public hearing. Following receipt of comments on the public notice, and public hearing, if necessary, the NOI will be finalized and MassDEP will issue its final determination to approve or deny the request for coverage.

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the public notice for your NOI. The enclosed public notice should be published to start the thirty (30) day public comment period.

In accordance with 314 CMR 2.06(4) and M.G.L. c.30A, the applicant or permittee, as applicable, shall publish public notice of the permit proceedings in *The Environmental Monitor*, a publication of the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs. For instructions on filing this notice with MEPA please refer to MEPA's website at <http://www.env.state.ma.us/mepa/submittinnotices.htm>

The applicant or permittee shall submit to the Department a copy of the public notice as published in the *Environmental Monitor*, within seven days after the date of publication or at such other time as the Department requires. This information should be sent to the attention of Lisa Dallaire at the above letterhead address. The mandatory thirty day public comment period will commence with the date of publication of the public notice.

If you have any questions on any of the information discussed in this letter, please contact Lisa Dallaire at (978) 694-3238.

Sincerely,



Kevin Brander, P.E.

Section Chief

Bureau of Resource Protection

Enclosures

- cc:
- North Reading Board of Health
 - William DuFresne/Merrimack Engineering Services
 - DEP/BRP/Wastewater Management Program/Boston

PUBLIC NOTICE
MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
NORTHEAST REGIONAL OFFICE
BUREAU OF RESOURCE PROTECTION
205B Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA 01887
TEL. 978-694-3200

Notice is hereby given that the following Notice of Intent for coverage under the *Small Privately Owned Wastewater Treatment Facility That Discharge Treated Effluent to the Ground Water and the Discharge from Said Facilities* has been submitted and that the following actions are being proposed thereon pursuant to Section 43 of Chapter 21 of the General Laws, and 314 CMR 5.00 and 2.06:

APPLICANT: *Federal Realty Trust (Atlantic Shopping Plaza)*

TRANSMITTAL NO.: *X262878*

PERMIT NO.: *953-0*

FACILITY LOCATION: *265-271 Main Street, North Reading, MA 01864*

TYPE OF DISCHARGE: Groundwater discharge from an on-site wastewater treatment facility

QUANTITY OF DISCHARGE: *25,000* gallons per day

PROPOSED ACTION: Tentative Determination to approve coverage under the General Permit for *Small Privately Owned Wastewater Treatment Facility*

A copy of the Notice of Intent may be obtained from the MassDEP's Wastewater Management Program at the above address and telephone number or online at:

<http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/massdep/news/comment/>

For a copy of the General Permit and statement of basis or fact sheet go to:

<http://www.mass.gov/eea/docs/dep/water/laws/i-thru-z/pstff.pdf>

Comments on the proposed action or requests for a public hearing thereon pursuant to 314 CMR 2.07 must be filed with MassDEP at the above address within thirty (30) days of this notice and are limited to the applicability of coverage under the specified general permit. For information on the process for formally intervening in adjudicatory proceedings, please refer to 310 CMR 1.00: Adjudicatory Proceedings, Section (7) Intervention and Participation.

<http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/massdep/water/regulations/310-cmr-1-00-adjudicatory-proceedings.html>

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