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Commissioner Martin Suuberg
Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection
One Winter Street
Boston, MA 02018

Via Electronic Mail to Frederick.civian@state.ma.us

RE: Amend Massachusetts MS4 General Permit Timeline

Dear Commissioner Suuberg:

I am writing on behalf of the Coalition's more than 40 member municipalities to urge the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection to amend the timeline of the state MS4 permit to align it with the postponement of EPA's federal deadline, as established by EPA's June 29, 2017 Postponement Notice, <https://www3.epa.gov/region1/npdes/stormwater/ma/final-ms4-postponement-notice.pdf>, and published in the Federal Register on July 13, 2017.

It is essential for municipalities to have consistent timelines to manage their MS4s effectively. Failure to postpone the Massachusetts permit will only add confusion, uncertainty, and turmoil to a long standing contentious issue.

Best regards,

Philip D. Guerin
President and Chairman

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