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RE: Request for Extension of Public Comment Period for MDC Abandonment Permit Application

Dear Commissioner Juthani,

On behalf of Save the Sound, Rivers Alliance of Connecticut, and Farmington River Watershed Association, I am writing to request that the Department of Public Health (DPH) grant an extension of the public comment period for the Metropolitan District Commission's (MDC) abandonment permit application for an additional fifteen (15) days. The requested abandonment of 10 BG of drinking water storage in Colebrook River Lake raises complex issues and long-term impacts to the environment and drinking water availability. An extension would allow for our organizations to continue to educate ourselves on these issues through discussion with MDC and DPH and fully contribute important comments for DPH's consideration.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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