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RE: Review of Beacon Falls Noise Ordinance

Dear Attorney Stanek:

I am responding to your email of March 18, 2016 requesting the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection's (Department) approval of the Town of Beacon Falls (Town) noise ordinance.

Based upon review of the ordinance, my staff has determined that the ordinance conforms to state noise control standards for stationary sources of noise. Therefore, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §22a-73(c), the Town's noise control ordinance as amended by the Beacon Falls Town Council on July 31, 2015 is approved for those portions for which the Department has authority to approve.

Section 22a-69 of the Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S.) does not give the Department the authority to approve or disapprove sections relating to mobile sources. Therefore, the Department is granting approval of sections for which it has authority to grant approval for. The Department does not have statutory authority to either approve or disapprove section 11 of the ordinance, which applies to mobile sources of noise.

This letter affirms that the Town's noise ordinance has been approved for stationary sources of noise and will be published on the Department's website. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Paul Kritzler at 860-424-3889 or Paul.Kritzler@ct.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anne Gobin".

Anne Gobin, Chief
Bureau of Air Management