## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

BOARD OF PESTICIDES CONTROL 28 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

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April 14, 2021

Gustave S. Nothstein Maine Department of Transportation, Bureau of Maintenance & Operations 16 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333-0016

## RE: Variance permit for CMR 01-026 Chapter 29, Maine Dept. of Transportation

Dear Mr. Nothstein,

The Board of Pesticides Control considered your application for variance from Chapter 29. The variance is approved, with the condition that Streamline (EPA Reg. No. 352-848) not be applied within 25 feet of water. While the Board recognizes the importance of keeping vegetation out of the right of way areas, they are concerned about this particular pesticide and its relative toxicity to aquatic organisms.

Further, please note that Escort (EPA Reg. No. 352-439) is not currently registered in Maine. However, Escort XP (EPA Reg. No. 432-1549) is registered in Maine.

The Board authorizes the issuance of two-year permits for Chapter 29, therefore this permit is valid until December 31, 2022, as long as applications are consistent with the information provided on the variance request. Please notify the Board in advance of changes, particularly if you plan to use a different product from those listed.

Please bear in mind that your permit is based upon your company adhering to the precautions listed in Section X of your Chapter 29 variance request.

I will alert the Board at its June 4, 2021 meeting that the variance permit has been issued. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact me at 287-2731.

Sincerely,

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