

Boyd Rutherford Lieutenant Governor

Ben Grumbles Secretary



DATE: May 19, 2020

Garth Jones Chesapeake Utilities 500 Energy Lane, Suite 100 Dover, DE 19901

RE: Somerset Expansion Project, 202060583/20-NT-2033; Somerset County.

Dear Mr. Jones,

The Maryland Department of the Environment received your Joint Federal/State Application for the alteration of Any Floodplain, Waterway, Tidal or Nontidal Wetland in Maryland for the above project on April 7, 2020. Your Application requested authorization for installation of 6" underground gas line via HDD in Somerset County.

Upon review of the information submitted, we have determined that no authorization is required from the Department's Nontidal Wetlands Division or Waterway Construction Division. This determination is based upon project not impacting any regulated nontidal wetland, nontidal wetland buffer, nontidal stream or 100-year nontidal floodplain.

The project application is also being reviewed by MDE's Tidal Wetlands Division. They will contact you directly with the status of their review.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at (410) 537-3821 or william.seiger@maryland.gov.

Sincerely;

William Seiger

William Seiger, Chief Waterway Construction Division

CC: WSA Tidal Wetlands Division