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RE: Bldg. Deconstruction, Subsurface Remediation ABB Prospects, Inc. Windsor, CT

Ronald R. Bellamy Nuclear Regulatory Commission 475 Allendale Road King of Prussia, PA 19406-1415

Dear Mr. Bellamy:

I have reviewed your request for information on endangered and threatened species and their habitats for the above-referenced project. My comments are provided in accordance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543).

I have searched our database and found record of the federally-endangered dwarf wedgemussel (*Alasmidonta heterodon*) in the Farmington River in Windsor, Connecticut. As long as the proposed project does not involve any work in the river, or discharge into the river, it appears that no impacts to federally-listed species will occur. Should project plans change, or if additional information on the distribution of listed or proposed species becomes available, this determination may be reconsidered.

Thank you for your cooperation and please contact me at 603-223-2541, extension 23, if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely yours,

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Michael J. Amaral Endangered Species Specialist New England Field Office

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