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August 30, 2016

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*Sent via electronic mail
Delivery confirmation requested*

**RE: Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MEPDES) Permit #ME0002267 Maine
Waste Discharge License (WDL) Application #W000563-5S-F-R
Proposed Draft MEPDES Permit Renewal**

Dear Kevin Fish:

Enclosed is a proposed draft MEPDES permit and Maine WDL which the Department proposes to issue for your facility as a final document after opportunity for your review and comment. By transmittal of this letter, you are provided with an opportunity to comment on the proposed draft permit and its conditions (special conditions specific to this permit are enclosed; standard conditions applicable to all permits are available upon request). If it contains errors or does not accurately reflect present or proposed conditions, please respond to this Department so that changes can be considered.

By copy of this letter, the Department is requesting comments on the proposed draft permit from various state and federal agencies, as required by our new regulations, and from any other parties who have notified the Department of their interest in this matter. If you have any questions regarding the matter, please feel free to call me.

All comments must be received in the Department of Environmental Protection office on or before the close of business **Thursday, September 29, 2016.** Failure to submit comments in a timely fashion will result in the final document being issued as drafted.

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Comments in writing should be submitted to my attention at the following address:

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If you have any questions regarding the matter, please feel free to call me at
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Sincerely,



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DEPARTMENT ORDER

IN THE MATTER OF

COLD BROOK ENERGY, INC.)	MAINE POLLUTANT DISCHARGE
BULK FUEL STORAGE & TRANSFER FACILITY)	ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT
HAMPDEN, PENOBSHOT COUNTY, MAINE)	AND
ME0002267)	WASTE DISCHARGE LICENSE
W000563-5S-F-R)	RENEWAL
APPROVAL)	

Pursuant to the provisions of the *Federal Water Pollution Control Act*, Title 33 USC, §1251, *Conditions of licenses*, 38 M.R.S. § 414-A, and applicable regulations, the Department of Environmental Protection (Department) has considered the application of the COLD BROOK ENERGY, INC. (COLD BROOK) with its supportive data, agency review comments, and other related materials on file and other related materials on file and FINDS THE FOLLOWING FACTS:

APPLICATION SUMMARY

On June 17, 2016, the Department of Environmental Protection accepted as complete for processing an application from Cold Brook for the renewal of combination Maine Waste Discharge License (WDL) W000563-5S-E-R / Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MEPDES) permit #ME0002267, which was issued by the Department on December 20, 2011, and is due to expire on December 20, 2016. The December 20, 2011, permit authorized the discharge of treated stormwater runoff from a bulk fuel storage/transfer facility to the Penobscot River, Class B, in Hampden, Maine. The previous permitting action included limitations and monitoring frequencies for several outfalls from which treated stormwater runoff was discharged. The Department has determined that outfalls conveying stormwater runoff are covered under the Multi Sector General Permit for Stormwater Associated with Industrial Activity. Therefore, this permitting action is only for discharges of Hydrostatic Test Waters discharged through Outfall #001.

PERMIT SUMMARY

This permitting action is carrying forward all the terms and conditions of the previous permit permitting action except that this permitting action is:

- 1) This permitting action is eliminating conditions and authorization for stormwater discharges. A Stormwater inspection/field determination was conducted on June 29, 2016, by the Department. It was determined that this facility does not require coverage under the 2011 Multi-Sector General Permit Stormwater Discharge Associated with Industrial Activity.
- 2) This permitting action is discontinuing Outfall #002 and establishing a new outfall (Outfall #001) for the discharge of hydrostatic test waters.

CONCLUSIONS

BASED on the findings summarized in the attached **draft** Fact Sheet dated August 30, 2016, and subject to the Conditions listed below, the Department makes the following conclusions:

1. The discharge, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, will not lower the quality of any classified body of water below such classification.
2. The discharge, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, will not lower the quality of any unclassified body of water below the classification which the Department expects to adopt in accordance with state law.
3. The provisions of the State's antidegradation policy, 38 M.R.S. §464(4)(F), will be met, in that:
 - (a) Existing in-stream water uses and the level of water quality necessary to protect and maintain those existing uses will be maintained and protected;
 - (b) Where high quality waters of the State constitute an outstanding national resource, that water quality will be maintained and protected;
 - (c) Where the standards of classification of the receiving waterbody are not met, the discharge will not cause or contribute to the failure of the waterbody to meet the standards of classification;
 - (d) Where the actual quality of any classified receiving waterbody exceeds the minimum standards of the next highest classification that higher water quality will be maintained and protected; and
 - (e) Where a discharge will result in lowering the existing water quality of any waterbody, the Department has made the finding, following opportunity for public participation, that this action is necessary to achieve important economic or social benefits to the State.
4. The discharge will be subject to effluent limitations that require application of best practicable treatment as defined in 38 M.R.S. § 414-A(1)(D).

ACTION

THEREFORE, the Department APPROVES the above noted application of COLD BROOK ENERGY, INC. to discharge up to 1.6 million gallons per day of treated hydrostatic test water via Outfall #001 to the Penobscot River, Class B, in Hampden, Maine, SUBJECT TO THE ATTACHED CONDITIONS, and all applicable standards and regulations including:

1. *“Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Standard Conditions Applicable To All Permits,”* revised July 1, 2002, copy attached.
2. The attached Special Conditions, including any effluent limitations and monitoring requirements.
3. This permit and the authorization to discharge become effective upon the date of signature below and expire at midnight five (5) years from the effective date. If a renewal application is timely submitted and accepted as complete for processing prior to the expiration of this permit, the authorization to discharge and the terms and conditions of this permit and all modifications and minor revisions thereto remain in effect until a final Department decision on the renewal application becomes effective. [*Maine Administrative Procedure Act*, 5 M.R.S. § 10002 and *Rules Concerning the Processing of Applications and Other Administrative Matters*, 06-096 CMR 2(21)(A) (effective October 3, 2016)]

PLEASE NOTE ATTACHED SHEET FOR GUIDANCE ON APPEAL PROCEDURES.

DONE AND DATED AT AUGUSTA, MAINE THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2016.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

BY: _____
PAUL MERCER, Commissioner

Date filed with Board of Environmental Protection _____

Date of initial receipt of application June 15, 2016

Date of application acceptance June 17, 2016

This Order prepared by Aaron Dumont, Bureau of Water Quality

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

1. The permittee is authorized to discharge **Hydrostatic test waters** from Outfall #001 to the Penobscot River, Class B in Hampden, Maine. Such discharges must be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below ⁽¹⁾.

OUTFALL #001 - Hydrostatic test waters

Effluent Characteristic	Discharge Limitations				Minimum Monitoring Requirements	
	Monthly Average	Daily Maximum	Monthly Average	Daily Maximum	Measurement Frequency	Sample Type
Flow (Total Gallons) [82220]	---	1.6 MGD gal [57]	---	---	1/Discharge [01/DS]	Measure [MS]
Total Suspended Solids [00530]	---	---	---	50 mg/L [19]	1/Discharge [01/DS]	Grab [GR]
Oil & Grease [00552]	---	---	---	15 mg/L [19]	1/Discharge [01/DS]	Grab [GR]
Total Residual Chlorine ⁽²⁾ [50060]	---	---	---	Report mg/L [28]	1/Discharge [01/DS]	Grab [GR]

The italicized numeric values in brackets in the tables above and the tables that follow are not limitations but codes used by Department personnel to code monthly Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs). **Footnotes: See pages 5 of this permit for applicable footnotes.**

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

A. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS (cont'd)

FOOTNOTES:

1. **Sampling** – All monitoring of hydrostatic test waters shall be conducted prior to comingling of hydrostatic test waters and stormwater. Sampling and analysis must be conducted in accordance with; a) methods approved by 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 136, b) alternative methods approved by the Department in accordance with the procedures in 40 CFR Part 136, or c) as otherwise specified by the Department. Samples that are sent out for analysis shall be analyzed by a laboratory certified by the State of Maine's Department of Health and Human Services for waste water testing. Samples that are analyzed by laboratories operated by waste discharge facilities licensed pursuant to *Waste discharge licenses*, 38 M.R.S. § 413 or laboratory facilities that analyze compliance samples in-house are subject to the provisions and restrictions of *Maine Comprehensive and Limited Environmental Laboratory Certification Rules*, 10-144 CMR 263 (last amended April 1, 2010). If the permittee monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by the permit using test procedures approved under 40 CFR part 136 or as specified in this permit, the results of this monitoring must be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the Discharge Monitoring Report.
2. **Total Residual Chlorine (TRC)** – The permittee must utilize a USEPA-approved test method capable of bracketing the TRC limitations specified in this permitting action. Compliance with the daily maximum limitation will be based on USEPA's current minimum level (ML) of detection of 50 µg/L (0.05 mg/L). All analytical test results must be reported to the Department including results which are detected below the ML.

B. NARRATIVE EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

1. The effluent must not contain a visible oil sheen, foam or floating solids at any time which would impair the uses designated by the classification of the receiving waters.
2. The effluent must not contain materials in concentrations or combinations which are hazardous or toxic to aquatic life, or which would impair the uses designated by the classification of the receiving waters.
3. The discharge must not cause visible discoloration or turbidity in the receiving waters which would impair the uses designated by the classification of the receiving waters.
4. Notwithstanding specific conditions of this permit, the effluent must not lower the quality of any classified body of water below such classification, or lower the existing quality of any body of water if the existing quality is higher than the classification.

C. HYDROSTATIC TEST WATER

Tanks being hydrostatically tested must be clean of product, all construction debris, including sandblasting grit, prior to testing and discharge. The discharge must be dechlorinated if test results indicate that discharged waters will violate the daily maximum limits for total residual chlorine established in this permit. Hydrostatic test water from tanks that have been washed, cleaned and certified for welding need not be discharged through an oil/water separator. The permittee must notify the Department of an intended discharge of hydrostatic test water at least three days, excluding weekends, prior to the discharge.

D. AUTHORIZED DISCHARGES

The permittee is authorized to discharge only in accordance with: 1) the permittee's General Application for Waste Discharge Permit, accepted for processing on June 17, 2016; 2) the terms and conditions of this permit; and 3) only from Outfalls #001. Discharges of wastewater from any other point source are not authorized under this permit, and must be reported in accordance with Standard Condition D(1)(F), *Twenty-four hour reporting*, of this permit.

E. MONITORING AND REPORTING

Monitoring results obtained during the previous month must be summarized for each calendar quarter and reported on separate Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) forms provided by the Department and **postmarked on or before the thirteenth (13th) day of the month or hand-delivered to a Department Regional Office such that the DMRs are received by the Department on or before the fifteenth (15th) day of the month** following the completed reporting period. A signed copy of the DMR and all other reports required herein must be submitted to the following address:

Maine Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Land and Water Quality
Division of Water Quality Management
Eastern Maine Regional Office
106 Hogan Road
Bangor, ME 04401

Alternatively, if you are submitting an electronic DMR, the completed DMR must be electronically submitted to the Department by a facility authorized DMR Signatory not later than close of business on the **15th day of the month** following the completed reporting period. Hard copy documentation submitted in support of the DMR must be postmarked on or before the **thirteenth (13th) day of the month or hand-delivered** to the Department's Regional Office such that it is received by the Department on or before the fifteenth (15th) day of the month following the completed reporting period. Electronic documentation in support of the DMR must be submitted not later than close of business on the 15th day of the month following the completed reporting period.

F. NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT

In accordance with Standard Condition D, the permittee must notify the Department of the following.

1. Any substantial change in the volume or character of pollutants being introduced into the wastewater collection and treatment system. For the purposes of this condition, notice regarding substantial change must include information on:
 - (a) the quality and quantity of wastewater introduced to the wastewater collection and treatment system; and
 - (b) any anticipated impact caused by the change in the quantity or quality of the wastewater to be discharged from the treatment system.

G. REOPENING OF PERMIT FOR MODIFICATIONS

Upon evaluation of the tests results or monitoring requirements specified in the Special Conditions of this permitting action, new site-specific information, or any other pertinent test results or information obtained during the term of this permit, the Department may, at any time and with notice to the permittee, modify this permit to; 1) include effluent limits necessary to control specific pollutants or whole effluent toxicity where there is a reasonable potential that the effluent may cause water quality criteria to be exceeded, (2) require additional effluent and or ambient water quality monitoring if results on file are inconclusive; or (3) change monitoring requirements or limitations based on new information.

H. SEVERABILITY

In the event that any provision(s), or part thereof, of this permit is declared to be unlawful by a reviewing court, the remainder of the permit must remain in full force and effect, and must be construed and enforced in all aspects as if such unlawful provision, or part thereof, had been omitted, unless otherwise ordered by the court.

**MAINE POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT
AND
MAINE WASTE DISCHARGE LICENSE**

FACT SHEET

DATE: AUGUST 31, 2016

MEPDES PERMIT NUMBER: **ME0002267**
WASTE DISCHARGE LICENSE NUMBER: **W000563-5S-F-R**

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

**COLD BROOK ENERGY, INC.
809 MAIN ROAD
HAMPDEN, MAINE 04444**

COUNTY: **PENOBSCOT**

NAME AND ADDRESS WHERE DISCHARGE OCCURS:

**COLD BROOK ENERGY, INC.
809 MAIN ROAD
HAMPDEN, MAINE 04444**

RECEIVING WATER / CLASSIFICATION: **PENOBSCOT RIVER/CLASS B**

COGNIZANT OFFICIAL AND TELEPHONE NUMBER: **MR. KEVIN FISH**
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1. APPLICATION SUMMARY

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2. PERMIT SUMMARY

- a. Terms and conditions: This permitting action is carrying forward all the terms and conditions of the previous permitting action except that this permitting action is:
 - 1) This permitting action is eliminating conditions and authorization for stormwater discharges. A Stormwater inspection/field determination was conducted on June 29, 2016 by the Department. It was determined that this facility does not require coverage under the 2011 Multi-Sector General Permit Stormwater Discharge Associated with Industrial Activity.
 - 2) This permitting action is discontinuing Outfall #002 and establishing a new outfall (Outfall #001) for the discharge of hydrostatic test waters.
- b. History: This section provides a summary of significant licensing/permitting actions that have been completed for the Cold Brook facility.

August 7, 1999 – The Department issued WDL renewal W002565-5S-C-R to Northeast Petroleum for a five-year term.

February 6, 1996 – The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) reviewed and accepted as complete for processing Cold Brook's application for a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. The USEPA did not take a final action on this application prior to Maine's authorization to administer the permit program (see below).

January 12, 2001 – The Department received authorization from the USEPA to administer the NPDES permit program in Maine, excluding areas of special interest to Maine Indian Tribes. From that point forward, the program has been referred to as the MEPDES program, and MEPDES permit ME0002267 has been utilized as the primary reference number for Cold Brook's facility.

November 6, 2006 – The Department issued combination MEPDES permit ME0002267/WDL #W000563-5S-D-R to Cold Brook Energy, Inc. for a five-year term. The November 6, 2006 superseded permit/license W000563-5S-C-R issued on November 8, 2001, WDL #W000563-53-B-R issued on June 12, 1996 and WDL 563 issued to previous owner, Texaco, Inc., on May 27, 1981.

September 7, 2011 – Cold Brook submitted a timely and complete General Application to the Department for renewal of the November 6, 2006 MEPDES permit. The application was accepted for processing on September 9, 2011, and was assigned WDL W000563-5S-E-R / MEPDES ME0002267.

June 15, 2016 – Cold Brook Energy, Inc. submitted a timely and complete General Application to the Department for renewal of the December 20, 2016 MEPDES permit. The application was accepted for processing on June 17, 2016, and was assigned WDL #W000563-5S-F-R / MEPDES #ME0002267.

2. PERMIT SUMMARY (cont'd)

- c. Source Description / Wastewater Treatment: The primary activities of Cold Brook Energy, Inc. are the receipt, transport, and total storage of energy fuels including #2 fuel oil, kerosene, and gasoline. Fuel is received at the storage and transfer facility by either ship or tank trucks. The facility is located along Main Street in Hampden, Maine.

3. CONDITIONS OF PERMITS

Conditions of licenses, 38 M.R.S. § 414-A, requires that the effluent limitations prescribed for discharges, including, but not limited to, effluent toxicity, require application of best practicable treatment (BPT), be consistent with the U.S. Clean Water Act, and ensure that the receiving waters attain the State water quality standards as described in Maine's Surface Water Classification System. In addition, *Certain deposits and discharges prohibited*, 38 M.R.S. § 420 and *Surface Waters Toxics Control Program*, 06-096 CMR 530 (effective October 9, 2005) require the regulation of toxic substances not to exceed levels set forth in *Surface Water Quality Criteria for Toxic Pollutants*, 06-096 CMR 584 (effective October 9, 2005), and that ensure safe levels for the discharge of toxic pollutants such that existing and designated uses of surface waters are maintained and protected.

4. RECEIVING WATER QUALITY STANDARDS

Classification of major river basins, 38 M.R.S. § 467(7)(A)(7) classifies the Penobscot River from the Maine Central Railroad bridge in Bangor to a line extended in an east-west direction from a point 1.25 miles upstream of the confluence of Reeds Brook in Hampden, as Class B waters. The Legislature finds that the free-flowing habitat of this river segment provides irreplaceable social and economic benefits and that this use must be maintained. *Standards for classification of fresh surface waters*, 38 M.R.S. § 465(3) describes the standards for Class B waters.

5. RECEIVING WATER QUALITY CONDITIONS

The State of Maine 2012 Integrated Water Quality Monitoring and Assessment Report, prepared by the Department pursuant to Sections 303(d) and 305(b) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, lists the 10.1 mile long main stem segment of the Penobscot River from the Veazie Dam to Reeds Brook (Assessment Unit ID ME0102000513_234R02) as, "Category 4-B: Rivers and Streams Impaired by Pollutants - Pollution Control Requirements Reasonably Expected to Result in Attainment." The impairment in this context refers to the presence of dioxin (including 2,3,7,8-TCDD), low dissolved oxygen and nutrient and eutrophication issues.

5. RECEIVING WATER QUALITY CONDITIONS (cont'd)

The Report lists all of Maine's fresh waters as, "Category 4-A: Waters Impaired by Atmospheric Deposition of Mercury." The impairment in this context refers to a statewide fish consumption advisory due to elevated levels of mercury in some fish tissues. The Report states, "All freshwaters are listed in Category 4-A (TMDL Completed) due to USEPA approval of a Regional Mercury TMDL.

Maine has a fish consumption advisory for fish taken from all freshwaters due to mercury. Many waters, and many fish from any given water, do not exceed the action level for mercury. However, because it is impossible for someone consuming a fish to know whether the mercury level exceeds the action level, the Maine Department of Health and Human Services decided to establish a statewide advisory for all freshwater fish that recommends limits on consumption. Maine has already instituted statewide programs for removal and reduction of mercury sources." Pursuant to 38 M.R.S. § 420(1-B)(B), "a facility is not in violation of the ambient criteria for mercury if the facility is in compliance with an interim discharge limit established by the Department pursuant to section 413 subsection 11." The Report also lists this segment of the 10.1 mile stretch of the Penobscot River as, "Category 5-D: Rivers and Streams Impaired by Legacy Pollutants." The impairment in this context refers to legacy polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) found in fish tissue monitoring that revealed legacy PCBs.

The Department has no information at this time that the discharge from Cold Brook Energy, as permitted, will cause or contribute to the failure of the receiving water to meet the designated uses of its ascribed classification.

6. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS & MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

Hydrostatic Test Water Outfall #001

The permittee has indicated that hydrostatic testing of pipelines and tanks with water is periodically performed to confirm facility integrity. Therefore, the authorization to discharge hydrostatic test waters is being carried forward in this permitting action in accordance with the following conditions. During the period of January 2011 – August 2016, Cold Brook reported no discharges of hydrostatic test water.

- a. Flow: The previous permitting action established, and this permitting action is carrying forward, a daily maximum discharge flow limitation of 1.6 million gallons (1.6 MGD) which is equal to the volume of the largest tank on site, 38,095 barrels.
- b. Total Suspended Solids: The previous permitting action established, and this permitting action is carrying forward, a daily maximum limit of 50 mg/L based on a Department BPJ of limits that are achievable given the tanks that are hydrostatically tested have been washed and cleaned in preparation for repair and testing.
- c. Oil & Grease: The previous permitting action established, and this permitting action is carrying forward, a daily maximum limit of 15 mg/L which is a Department BPJ of limits

6. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS & MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

that are achievable given the tanks that are hydrostatically tested have been washed and cleaned in preparation for repair and testing.

- d. Total residual chlorine (TRC): The previous permitting action established a daily maximum concentration monitoring and reporting requirement for total residual chlorine. At $\frac{1}{4}$ 1Q10 ($\frac{1}{4}$ of the 1-day low flow that statistically occurs once every 10 years) dilution ratio, the previous permitting action calculated an allowable end-of-pipe concentration limit of 4.2 mg/L for TRC. This permitting action is carrying forward a daily maximum concentration monitoring and reporting requirement for total residual chlorine in the event that a discharge of hydrostatic test water occurs during the term of the permit. At no time may the effluent concentration of TRC be greater than 4.2 mg/L.

7. DISCHARGE IMPACT ON RECEIVING WATER QUALITY

As permitted, the Department has determined the existing water uses will be maintained and protected and that the discharge will not cause or contribute to the failure of the Penobscot River to meet standards for Class B classification.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public notice of this application was made in the *Bangor Daily* newspaper on or about June 10, 2016. The Department receives public comments on an application until the date a final agency action is taken on the application. Those persons receiving copies of draft permits must have at least 30 days in which to submit comments on the draft or to request a public hearing, pursuant to *Application Processing Procedures for Waste Discharge Licenses*, 06-096 CMR 522 (effective January 12, 2001).

9. DEPARTMENT CONTACTS

Additional information concerning this permitting action may be obtained from, and written comments sent to:

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Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
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Telephone: (207) 592-7161

10. RESPONSE TO COMMENTS

Reserved until the end of the formal thirty day comment period.