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IN THE MATTER OF

APPLICATIONS NOs. DIV-01205385

IW-201205383

UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT-NORTH HILLSIDE RD. EXTENSION

NOVEMBER 27, 2013

FINAL DECISION

The Proposed Final Decision in this matter was released on November 22, 2013.¹ That decision found that the substantial evidence in the administrative record demonstrates that the proposed regulated activity, as detailed in the application and conditioned by the draft permit, would comply with the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Act, General Statutes §§ 22a-39 through 22a-45d, and the Connecticut Water Diversion Policy Act, §§ 22a-365 through 22a-378. Accordingly, that decision recommends that permits for inland wetlands and non-consumptive stormwater diversion associated with the construction of an extension of North Hillside Road and creation of six conceptual development parcels for a research and technology park in Storrs be finalized and issued to the applicant University of Connecticut.

On November 25, 2013, the parties to this matter waived the filing of exceptions. The Commissioner has delegated final decision-making authority to the agency's Office of Adjudications and its hearing officers in limited circumstances. Included in this delegation is the authority to issue final decisions in "matters where the hearing officer has issued a proposed final decision and the parties, including staff of the Department, by written stipulation waive compliance with the right to file exceptions to such decision, pursuant to [General Statutes] § 4-179(d)." Delegation of Authority, July 12, 2011, § VIII, F. 4. c. vii.

¹ Pursuant to Regs., Conn. State Agencies 22a-3a-6(y)(2), minor typographical errors in the Proposed Final Decision were corrected prior to the issuance of this Final Decision.

The Proposed Final Decision is therefore affirmed and adopted as the Final Decision of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection.

Brendan Schain, Hearing Officer

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