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IN THE MATTER OF

APPLICATION NO. 201500185-SJ

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION OF STATE PARKS

(Silver Sands State Park)

APRIL 25, 2016

FINAL DECISION

:

The Proposed Final Decision (PFD) in the above-referenced matter was released on April 4, 2016. The preponderance of the evidence supported the conclusions that the proposed regulated activity, as detailed in the application and conditioned by the revised draft permit, would comply with the statutes concerning structures, dredging and fill (General Statutes § 22a-361), the statutes and regulations concerning activities conducted in tidal wetlands (General Statutes § 22a-32 and Regs., Conn. State Agencies §§ 22a-30-1 through 22a-30-17) and the applicable portions of the Coastal Management Act (General Statutes §§ 22a-90 through 22a-112). Accordingly, the PFD recommended that the proposed draft permit be finalized and issued to the applicant.

The parties had fifteen days to file exceptions to the proposed final decision and the due date for such exceptions was April 19, 2016. The parties filed no such exceptions. The Commissioner has delegated final decision-making authority to the agency's Office of Adjudications and its hearing officers in limited circumstances. This delegation provides the hearing officer with authority to issue final decisions in "matters where the hearing officer has issued a proposed final decision, and no exceptions, pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. § 4-179(a) and Conn. Agencies Regs. § 22a-3a-6(y)(3), have been timely filed." Delegation of Authority, February 3, 2015, § VIII, F. 4. c. vi.

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

Kenneth M. Collette, Hearing Officer

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