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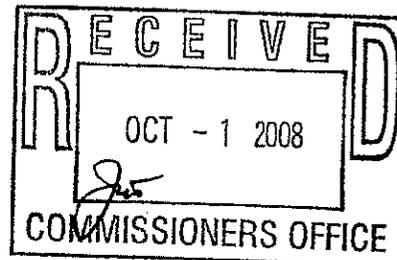
DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER



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September 22, 2008

Mr. James M. Thomas
Commissioner
State Of Connecticut
Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security



Dear Commissioner Thomas:

We have reviewed the State of Connecticut's Disaster Debris Management Plan, September 2008 (Annex to the State's Natural Disaster Plan, 2006) and have found it to comply with all programmatic requirements.

As you are aware, debris issues pose some of our most challenging operations during the response and recovery phases in disasters and having comprehensive debris plans in place prior to an event is crucial in delivering assistance in a timely manner.

We appreciate the hard work that you and your staff put into this plan and feel confident this will assist the State during debris related events.

If you have any questions or require additional assistance please do not hesitate to contact myself or Mr. Jim Donovan, Public Assistance Branch Chief, 617-832-4765.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arthur W. Cleaves".

Arthur W. Cleaves
Regional Administrator