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STEVEN H. LEVESQUE  
COMMISSIONER

March 31, 2000

John D. Harris  
Town Manager  
Town of Falmouth  
271 Falmouth Road  
Falmouth, ME 04105

Dear Mr. Harris:

The Maine Department of Economic and Community Development ("the department") has reviewed and accepted the Town of Falmouth's application to create both the Route One North and the Route One South Municipal Development Tax Increment Financing Districts ("the districts"). The districts take effect today and are designated for a period of twenty (20) years.

The Town of Falmouth is authorized to capture increased assessed value as set forth in the Financial Plan section of the final application received by the department on March 30, 2000. The tax increment arising from this captured value is to be used expressly for the activities defined in the Development Program of the application.

Any changes to the approved Development Program, including the "description of projects" funded with the Town's TIF revenues, require an amendment that is adopted in the same manner as the initial designation, and approved by the department.

In the event that any tax increment revenues derived from the district are deposited into the Town's general fund, the incremental property values generating those revenues must be included with the Town's equalized assessed value, and therefore not subject to shelter.

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The projects must be completed within five (5) years. As this threshold is met, please notify the department. The district designation remains in effect for twenty (20) years or until the authorized project costs are expended. If for any reason the Town decides to forfeit this designation, it must promptly notify the department.

If you have questions regarding this approval, please do not hesitate to contact Jim Nimon, TIF Program Manager, at 287-2656.

Sincerely,



Steven H. Levesque  
Commissioner

cc: Tony Neves, State Tax Assessor  
Larry Record, Director of Property Tax  
Jay Hardy