PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

TOWN OF CHEBEAGUE ISLAND BOARD OF SELECTMAN SEPTEMBER 19, @ THE CHEBAEAGUE ISLAND HALL

As part of its regularly scheduled monthly meeting, the Town of Chebeague Island Board of Selectman will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, September 19, 2007 at the Chebeague Island Hall. The purposes of said hearing is to invite discussion and receive comments from the public at large and town standing committees with respect to the Central Maine Power Company's CMP) application to the State of Maine to renew a 30 year easement for electrical cables on publicly owned submerged lands. A representative from CMP will also attend the hearing. Based on the comments received or submitted the Board of Selectman will then submit appropriate comments pertaining to any significant impacts of the CMP's electrical cables, as well as if such structures are not in compliance with local permitting requirements.

NOTE: Relevant materials are attached for public review in advance of the hearing.



STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION 22 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0022

August 21, 2007

PATRICK K. McGOWAN

Municipal Officials Town of Chebeague Island P.O. Box 22 Chebeague Island, ME 04017

RE: Submerged Lands Application - Central Maine Power Company

Dear Municipal Officials:

The Bureau of Parks and Lands has received applications from the owner listed above regarding their electrical cables on publicly-owned submerged lands below mean *low* water in Chandler Cove and in Casco Bay, Chebeague Island. The Bureau's records indicate that the above structures have been in place since 1975 and therefore were granted "constructive easements" to occupy submerged lands for 30 years. The easements expired on October 1, 2005 and the owner has applied for new conveyances (leases or easements) to maintain their existing structures on public submerged lands. No changes to the structures are proposed.

The purpose of this letter is to provide the municipality with an opportunity to comment on any significant impacts these structures may have as described in the enclosed Notice. We also ask that the municipality notify us if the existing structures are not in compliance with local permitting requirements such as expansions without prior permit approval. Please post the enclosed Notice in the municipal office. The Bureau has established a 14 – day public comment period for this application unless we receive a request for an extension.

Comments from the municipal officials and/or harbormaster will greatly assist the Bureau in determining whether there is an opportunity to improve an existing condition before a new 30-year conveyance is granted. If significant concerns are raised regarding public trust rights the Bureau will try to work with the owner to lessen these impacts by modifying any non-permanent elements of a structure. Generally, the Bureau will not request that permanent structures be modified.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 287-6128, in writing, or by email to sara.brusila@maine.gov. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Sara L. Brusila

Submerged Lands Technician

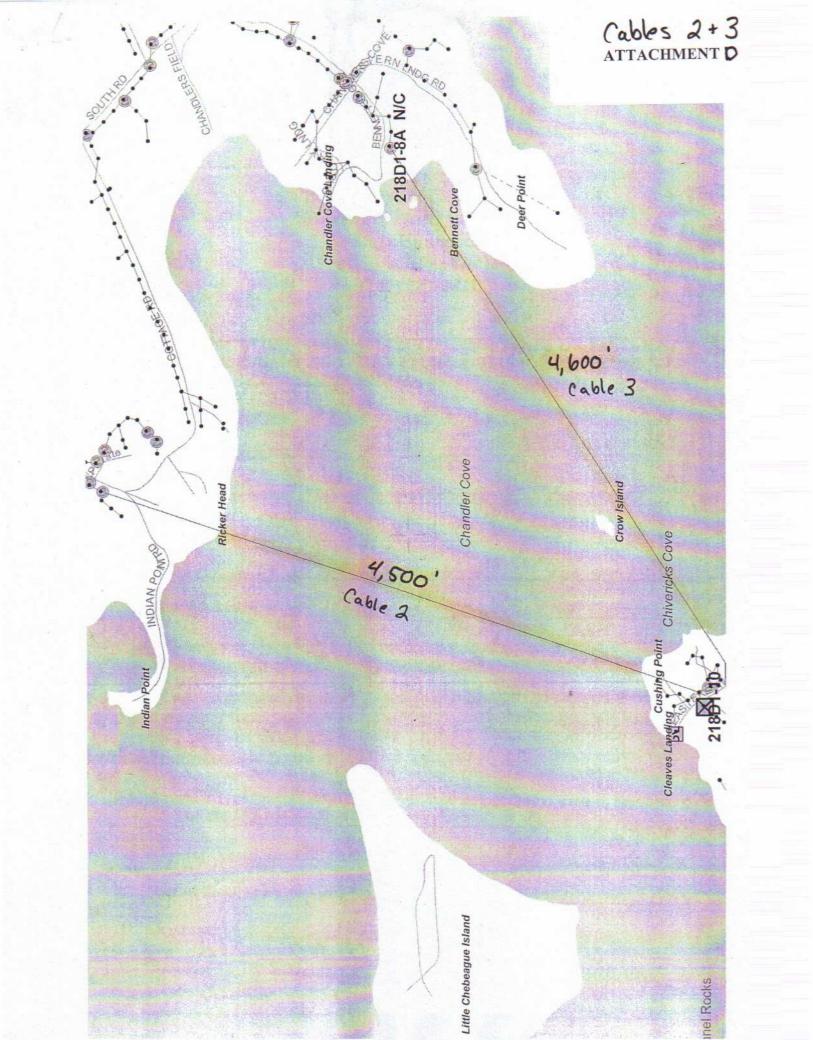
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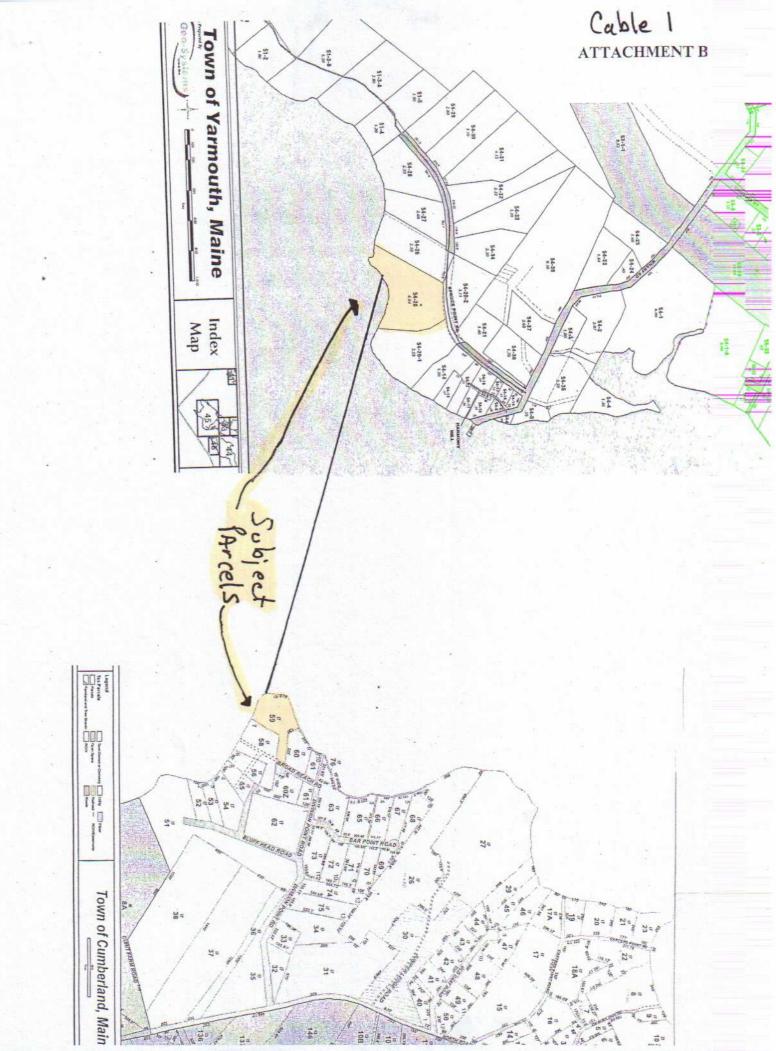
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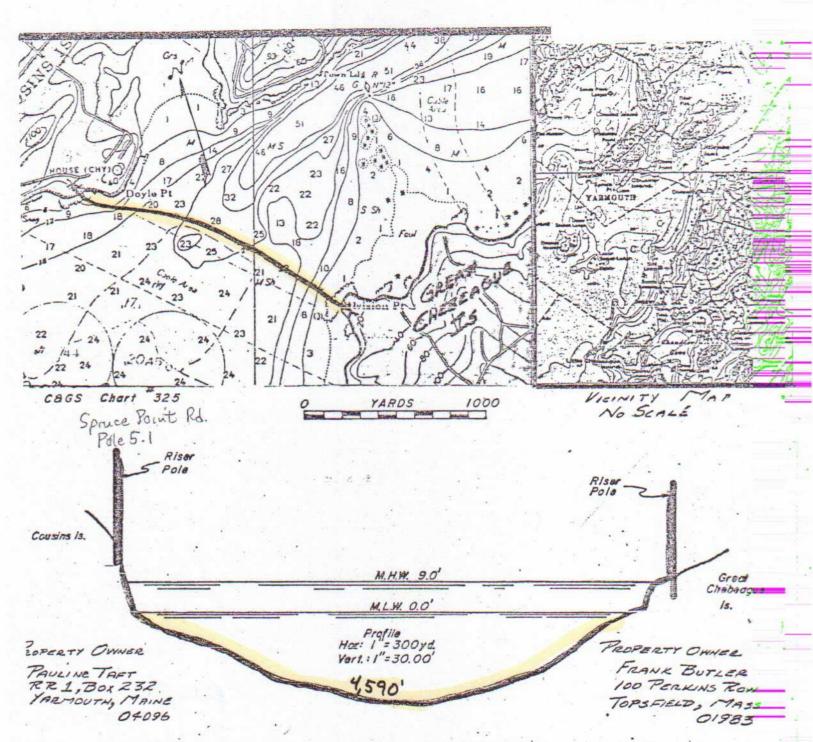
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