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Sako Vandermeer  
Providence Dairy  
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RE: Providence Dairy  
Revised Certificate of Compliance

Dear Mr. Vandermeer:

As you are aware, the department issues a Certificate of Compliance for manure management systems that have had plans and specifications approved and are constructed as designed. We have received an amended Notice of Completion form for your operation and are issuing you a revised Certificate of Compliance.

The Certificate of Compliance is for a 1,650-head dairy cattle operation consisting of 1,350-head of mature dairy cattle and 300 calves. The component included in the amended Notice of Completion form consists of the east half of the south freestall barn. The certificate shall remain in place until we receive notices of completion for expansions or for new system components at your operation and issue the dairy another revised certificate.

Also, you have completed the requirements to obtain coverage under the general water pollution control permit for concentrated animal feeding operations for the additional component. I am conditionally granting coverage under the permit for the east half of the south freestall barn and additional animals (**permit number SDG-0100209**). You are required to operate in compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit.

### **Construction Inspection**

The revised Certificate of Compliance and permit coverage is conditional upon the department conducting a satisfactory construction inspection of the east half of the south freestall barn.

### **Barn Alley**

Your engineer indicates the covered alley between the existing barns and new south barn has not yet been constructed. You must ensure cattle are moved between the barns so that manure and

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wastewater do not leave the manure management system. The department recommends constructing the covered alley between the barns as soon as possible.

As was discussed with you during previous inspections, buffer zones are required around land application areas. Please review the buffer zone requirements on the land application maps included with the nutrient management plan in Appendix D of the permit prior to land applying manure.

We would like to thank you for your cooperation in ensuring protection of our natural resources. The department encourages you to remain in compliance by properly operating and maintaining your system.

Sincerely,



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