



September 25, 2013

Ms. Kara Buzanoski
Department of Public Works Director
188 Madaket Road
Nantucket, MA 02554

**RE: Emergency Response Planning
Baxter Road
Nantucket, Massachusetts
MMI #2967-11-4**

Dear Ms. Buzanoski:

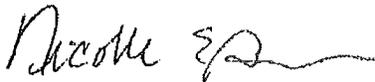
This letter is intended as a follow-up to our telephone discussion of yesterday. As you know, Milone & MacBroom, Inc. has been evaluating alternatives for stabilizing Baxter Road for the short term until slope stabilization can be performed and/or Baxter Road can be relocated. While this analysis is ongoing, based on the work we have completed to date we have strong reservations about the ability to stabilize Baxter Road for any specific length of time. While some plans, such as that currently under consideration by the Sconset Beach Preservation Fund, may have the ability to provide benefit, we do not believe that any plan can be guaranteed to work for a specific length of time.

Given this fact and the varying retreat rates observed over recent winters, it is our opinion that the Town of Nantucket should immediately develop an emergency action plan for this area. Such a plan should outline how the town will provide emergency vehicular access, water supply, and sanitary sewer service to the residences at the north end of Baxter Road in the event of catastrophic roadway failure. It may also be prudent to notify the electric, telephone, and cable providers of the potential need to perform similar planning exercises.

We assume that the town will develop this plan parallel to our ongoing work with the town but, if you would like Milone & MacBroom, Inc. to assist in any of this, please do not hesitate to ask.

Very truly yours,

MILONE & MACBROOM, INC.



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