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May 4, 2004

Robert & Michelle Brooks  
 134 Westland Street  
 Portland, Maine 04102

Subject: Approval, Replacement System Variance Request, Brooks Property, Fenway Street, Portland

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Brooks:

The Division has reviewed a Replacement System Variance Request for the subject property. The proposal is to install a replacement septic system to serve a four-bedroom single-family dwelling. The state variances requested are to allow the installation of the system with a slope setback reduction of 5 feet. Another variance required is a setback distance reduction from a structure without a full basement to the disposal field of 10-12 feet and the septic tank of 5 feet, also the property line down to 0 feet. The system design, prepared by Albert Frick, SE, dated April 13, 2004 is found to be in compliance with the Maine Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules.

We approve the requested variances with the following requirements:

1. A permit for system installation shall be obtained from the Local Plumbing Inspector in advance of the start of system construction.
2. The system shall be installed in accordance with the submitted and approved system design. Should alterations be required at the time of system installation, the system designer must be notified prior to making any changes.
3. The variance approval is based only on the rules administered by this department. The approval of the variance request does not relieve the property owner from compliance with all other state and local requirements pertaining to the installation, use, and operation of the wastewater disposal system.

By accepting this approval and the associated plumbing permit, the owner agrees to comply fully with the conditions of approval and the Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules.

Because installation and owner maintenance has a significant effect on the working order of onsite sewage disposal systems, including their components, the Division makes no representation or guarantee as to the efficiency and/or operation of the system. Due to the lot size and site constraints, should this system fail there may be no alternative but to install a holding tank.

Should you or others have any questions regarding this review and/or approval, please feel free to contact me at 287-5687.

Sincerely,

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