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November 13, 2018

Mr. Adam Wronowski
Manager
Block Island Express, Inc.
2 Ferry Street
New London, CT 06320

Re: VW NOx Mitigation Grant

Dear Mr. Wronowski:

On behalf of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (“the Department”), it gives me great pleasure to inform you that Block Island Express, Inc. was selected to receive a grant under Connecticut’s Volkswagen (VW) Oxides of Nitrogen (NOx) Mitigation Grant Program. This initial round of funding was extremely competitive. The Department received 56 proposals requesting \$32 million in funding. The specifics of your award are described below:

Application No.: 201809809

Award Amount: \$971,720

Project Awarded: Scrappage and Replacement of four, MY 2003, EPA Tier 1 diesel propulsion engines on the *M/V Cecilia Ann* with EPA Tier 3 diesel propulsion engines.

Scrappage and Replacement of two, MY 2011, EPA Tier 1 auxiliary engines (generators) with EPA Tier 3 diesel equivalents.

Please note: the VW NO_x Mitigation Grant is structured as a reimbursement. Award recipients will be required to demonstrate project completion, including payment for the project and scrappage of replaced vehicles before receiving awarded funds. To ensure awarded funds are received for completed projects, all required invoices and documentation, as outlined in the program guidance, must be received by the Department on or before March 31, 2020. Please contact Mr. Louis Corsino at louis.corsino@ct.gov or (860) 424-3544 if you have any questions.

I applaud your efforts to reduce diesel emissions in Connecticut. Your actions today will have a significant impact on reducing emissions from our transportation sector, improving our air quality and protecting public health.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert J. Klee".

Robert J. Klee
Commissioner

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