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CONSERVATION PROGRAMS MANUAL (CPM)  
440  
Amendment ME-4, Part 512

SUBJECT: CPM – Conservation Programs Contracting – Maine Amendment to Part 512 – Subparts C and J

Purpose: To transmit updated Maine Amendment 4 to 440-V-CPM, Part 512.23 and Subpart J – Conservation Program Request for Waiver Exhibit 512.90 (Maine 1).

Effective Date: October 20, 2006

Attached is the revised Maine Amendment 4 to 440-V-CPM, Part 512.23 outlining policy for requesting a waiver to commence a practice before a Conservation Program Contract has been awarded. Also attached is the updated Conservation Program Request for Waiver form.

The revised Maine Amendment and form reflect Maine policy that practices for which a waiver is being requested are included in a conservation plan and the applicable reviews have been completed.

An approved waiver request may be renewed if the practice installation has not yet started, the application remains eligible, and the application is deferred to the next fiscal year. To renew, the waiver request must be re-submitted using the current request form.

An approved waiver may not be renewed if installation has started on the practice for which the waiver was granted, but no contract was awarded within the previous waiver period. Furthermore, no reimbursement will be paid for the installed practice.

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If you have any questions, please contact Susan Arrants, Resource Conservationist at 207-990-9564 or William Yamartino, ASTC for Programs at 207-990-9553.

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Attachments