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Hi Nadia, can you please forward this to the City Council as an FYI. The Mass EEA Secretary has determined that the Riverside DEIR does not adequately comply with MEPA and a supplemental DEIR will be required.

I hereby determine that the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) submitted on this project does not adequately and properly comply with the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA; M.G.L. c. 30, ss. 61-62I) and with its implementing regulations (301 CMR 11.00), and therefore require the filing of a Supplemental DEIR (SDEIR). Specifically, I find that the DEIR has not provided a comprehensive description of project components and analyses as required in the Scope for the DEIR. As such, I cannot find that the project has satisfied the regulatory requirements to ensure that the project's environmental impacts have been clearly described and fully analyzed or that it has incorporated all feasible means to avoid Damage to the Environment.

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