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**DISCLOSURE BY NON-ELECTED STATE EMPLOYEE OF FINANCIAL INTEREST
AND DETERMINATION BY APPOINTING AUTHORITY
AS REQUIRED BY G. L. c. 268A, § 6**

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| STATE EMPLOYEE INFORMATION | |
| Name: | Serafina Zeringo |
| Title or Position: | Research Director |
| State Agency: | House of Representatives |
| Agency Address: | Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture State House, Room 473F Boston, MA 02133 |
| Office Phone: | (617) 722-2210 |
| Office E-mail: | Serafina.Zeringo@mahouse.gov |
| | My duties require me to participate in a particular matter, and I may not participate because of a financial interest that I am disclosing here. I request a determination from my appointing authority about how I should proceed. |
| PARTICULAR MATTER | |
| Particular matter E.g., a judicial or other proceeding, application, submission, request for a ruling or other determination, contract, claim, controversy, charge, accusation, arrest, decision, determination, or finding. | Please describe the particular matter. The response of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs to the ongoing drought conditions in the Commonwealth, which may involve a variety of decisions, determinations or findings. |
| Your required participation in the particular matter: E.g., approval, disapproval, decision, recommendation, rendering advice, investigation, other. | Please describe the task you are required to perform with respect to the particular matter. I will be required to research this issue and render advice. I may also be required to submit materials to and meet with representatives from the executive office on this matter. |
| FINANCIAL INTEREST IN THE PARTICULAR MATTER | |
| Write an X by all that apply. | <input type="checkbox"/> I have a financial interest in the matter. <input type="checkbox"/> My immediate family member has a financial interest in the matter. <input type="checkbox"/> My business partner has a financial interest in the matter. <input type="checkbox"/> I am an officer, director, trustee, partner or employee of a business organization, and the business organization has a financial interest in the matter. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I am negotiating or have made an arrangement concerning future employment with a person |

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| | or organization, and the person or organization has a financial interest in the matter. |
| Financial interest in the matter | <p>Please explain the financial interest and include a dollar amount if you know it.</p> <p>The executive office has a general financial interest in the manner in which this drought issue will be addressed and resolved.</p> |
| Employee signature: |  |
| Date: | 9/11/16 |

DETERMINATION BY APPOINTING OFFICIAL

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| | APPOINTING AUTHORITY INFORMATION |
| Name of Appointing Authority: | Paul A. Schmid III |
| Title or Position: | House Chair, Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture |
| Agency/Department: | House of Representatives |
| Agency Address: | State House, Room 473F Boston, MA 02133 |
| Office Phone: | (617) 722-2210 |
| Office E-mail | Paul.Schmid@mahouse.gov |
| | DETERMINATION |
| <p>Determination by appointing authority:</p> <p>Write an X by your selection.</p> | <p>As appointing official, as required by G.L. c. 268A, § 6, I have reviewed the particular matter and the financial interest identified above by a state employee.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I am assigning the particular matter to another employee, or</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I am assuming responsibility for the particular matter, or</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I have determined that the financial interest is not so substantial as to be deemed likely to affect the integrity of the services which the Commonwealth may expect from the employee.</p> |
| Appointing Authority signature: |  |
| Date: | 9/7/16 |
| Comment: | |

Attach additional pages if necessary.

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