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To: Board of Selectmen,
Harbor Department,
Parks and Recreation Committee
Fm: Board of Health
On: January 21, 2010

Re: Harbor Pump-out station

At its meeting of January 20th, the Board of Health discussed the sewage pump-out station used by boats at the harbor in Menemsha. Apparently, the pump is unreliable and only works intermittently. Sewage pump-out cannot always be postponed to a later date when the pump is functioning again, and this could easily lead to unacceptable alternative means of making space in the boat's holding tank.

We feel that it is in the Town's best interest to properly maintain the sewage pump-out station. If reliable performance cannot be assured, replacement of the equipment is indicated. Addressing this issue now, rather than at the height of the season, means being able to weigh options and secure the best, most cost-effective means to satisfactorily address the problem.

Sincerely yours,

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