

The State of New Hampshire  
**Department of Environmental Services**

**Thomas S. Burack, Commissioner**

*Celebrating 25 Years of Protecting  
New Hampshire's Environment*



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His Excellency, Governor John H. Lynch  
And The Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

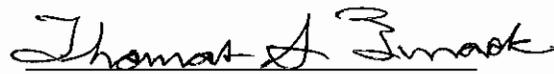
**REQUESTED ACTION**

Accept, under the provisions of RSA 20:7, the Department of Environmental Services' 2012 annual report.

**EXPLANATION**

The Department of Environmental Services is pleased to submit the Fiscal Year 2012 Annual Report for the year ended June 30, 2012, in accordance with RSA 20:7. This report details the financial and staff resources necessary to help DES carry out its essential and broad mission of helping sustain a high quality of life for all residents by protecting and restoring the environment and public health in New Hampshire. The report also provides a summary of the legislation that was relevant to the department during the last legislative session, as well as information regarding many of the department's accomplishments over the last fiscal year.

We respectfully request your acceptance of this report.

  
Thomas S. Burack  
Commissioner