

March 23, 2009

NOAA
Grant Review Committee

Dear Grant Review Committee,

I am pleased to provide my strongest enthusiastic recommendation in support of Coastal Steward for the Recovery Act Grant. Coastal Steward brings the phrase “Think Globally, Act Locally” to a new level. With their Annual Beach Cleanups, Shellfish Restoration Project and outreach to students, their proactive approach to education and ocean conservation is an invaluable asset to the future of our shared waters.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at csafina@blueocean.org.

Sincerely,



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President & Co-founder