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December 12, 2012

VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL

Jason Dubow, Planner Maryland Department of Planning Suite 1101 301 W. Preston Street Baltimore, MD 21201-2365

Re:

Growth Tier Map-Queenstown

Dear Mr. Dubow:

This firm represents the Town of Queenstown. I have enclosed a copy of the Town's adopted Growth Tier Map and authorizing legislation. Please let me know if you require anything further.

Very truly yours,

Sarah M. Everhart

cc: Amy Moore, Town Clerk

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PLANNING SERVICES

RESOLUTION NO. 12-104

Introduced by: Perry A. Stutman

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF QUEENSTOWN TO ADOPT A GROWTH TIER MAP FOR THE TOWN OF QUEENSTOWN WHICH COMPORTS WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SENATE BILL 236

WHEREAS, Governor O'Malley on April 18, 2011, issued an Executive Order creating the Task Force on Sustainable Growth and Wastewater Disposal, which consisted of a broad cross-section of representatives from business, agriculture, science, environmental advocacy, and government from throughout Maryland; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force was charged with recommending regulatory, statutory and other actions to address the impact of major developments served by on-site sewage disposal systems, commonly known as septic systems, and their effects on pollution, land preservation, agri-business, and smart growth; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force reported its findings in December 2011 to the Governor, the Speaker of the House, the President of the Senate, the House Environmental Matters Committee and the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Growth and Agricultural Preservation Act of 2012 (SB236), adopted by the Maryland Legislature in 2012, embodies the nearly unanimous recommendations of the Task Force on planning for growth served by on-site sewage disposal systems and where major subdivisions served by on-site sewage disposal systems and shared facilities can be located; and

WHEREAS, SB236 requires participating local jurisdictions to adopt Growth Tier Maps indicating those areas served by public sewerage systems, those areas intended to be served by public sewerage systems, and those areas not planned for sewerage service, and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the provisions of the SB236, the Commissioners of Queenstown have developed a Growth Tier Map, assigning Growth Tier designations to those lands within the municipal boundary and to those lands within the municipal growth area as shown within the Queenstown Community Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Queenstown Growth Tier Map is hereby adopted and is to become effective upon its passage.