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Re: Installation of Mitigation Measures at Water Filtration Plant and Brown's Pond Raw Water Pumping Station

Dear Mr. Heitzman and Mr. Scott:

The City of Newburgh has been advised by representatives of your Department and other state agencies that the State of New York is preparing to install a number of facilities and equipment on City of Newburgh property to mitigate the effects of the PFOS contamination from Steward Airport.

The mitigation measures include the following:

- New Granular Activated Carbon water treatment system;
- Above-Ground Water Storage tank and related appurtenances; and
- Piped direct connection from NYCDEP Catskill Aqueduct to the Brown's Pond Raw Water Pumping Station.

Although the City fully supports these measures, we must have in place a site access agreement/MOU between the State and the City of Newburgh detailing what actions are planned on what specific areas of the site, including design, agency reviews,

permitting, bidding, construction, inspection, staging and access so that the City can give appropriate permission and ensure coordination. We will also need to approve the terms and conditions of the construction documents to ensure that they include necessary insurance, indemnity, safety procedures and memorialization of maintenance reimbursements to the City, to the extent the work affects our existing water treatment facilities site, operations, employees, contractors, and maintenance capacities and to ensure that any changes in approved provisions are not modified without our approval. .

In order not to slow the mitigation process or the backup water supply project, it is imperative that we receive a draft agreement/MOU and copies of the proposed conceptual design for our review as soon as possible. I can assure you that the City will respond to your draft with the highest priority.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



Michael G. Ciaravino
City Manager
City of Newburgh, New York

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