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August 30, 2019

Mr. Cosmo Servidio
Regional Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III
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Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

RE: Blades Groundwater Concurrence Letter

Dear Mr. Servidio:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency on July 8, 2019, requested Delaware's concurrence to list the Blades Groundwater Site located in Blades, Delaware, on the National Priority List, pursuant to authority under Section 105 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended 42 U.S.C. Section 9605. The Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control has evaluated the Site and due to the risk the Site poses to human health and the environment, concurs with the Environmental Protection Agency's proposal to list the Site on the National Priority List. The Blades Groundwater Site is considered a high priority Site requiring investigation and a remedy to address the impact to the public and private drinking water supplies of the Town of Blades.

The continued cooperation of the Federal and State government to implement the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act program is an essential element of its success. Delaware is committed to this partnership and implementation. Should the Blades Groundwater Site be listed on the National Priorities List, the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control will continue to assist the Environmental Protection Agency in making the necessary cleanup decisions to protect public health and the environment.

If you have any questions regarding this issue or Delaware's participation in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act program, please contact Timothy Ratsep, Director of Waste and Hazardous Substances by email at Timothy.Ratsep@delaware.gov or by telephone at (302) 739-9400 or Qazi Salahuddin, Environmental Program Administrator of the Remediation Section by email at Qazi.Salahuddin@delaware.gov or by phone at (302) 395-2600.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John C. Carney".

John C. Carney
Governor

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Timothy Ratsep, DNREC, Director of Waste and Hazardous Substances
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