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NOVEMBER 25, 2019

Huron River Properties, Inc. c/o Jodi Littman Tomaszewski Dworken & Bernstein, Co., LPA 60 South Park Place Painesville, Ohio 44077 Re: Huron River Properties Inc Director's Authorization Acknowledgement Residual Solid Waste Landfills Erie County RSWL018770

## Subject: Huron Lime Plant Landfills #1 and #2, Erie County Release from Post Closure Care

Dear Ms. Littman Tomaszewski:

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Huron River Properties, Inc. is the owner (Owner) of the Class III Residual Solid Waste Landfills known as Huron Lime Plant Landfill #1 and Landfill #2 (Facilities) on River Road in Huron, Ohio. The following documents have been submitted by Hull & Associates, Inc. on behalf of your client, the Owner, to Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA), Division of Materials and Waste Management (DMWM), Northwest District Office (NWDO) pursuant to OAC Rule 3745-30-10 and regarding the end of post-closure care at the Facilities:

- December 27, 2016 Closure Demonstration Report for the Huron Lime Company Landfill 1
- December 27, 2016 Closure Demonstration Report for the Huron Lime Company Landfill 2
- March 13, 2018 Addendum to the Closure Demonstration Reports
- November 15, 2018 Human Health and Ecological Risk Evaluation at the Huron Lime Company Lime Fill Material Landfills 1 and 2
- May 15, 2019 Addendum to the Risk Evaluation

OAC Rule 3745-30-10(D) states, upon completion of the post-closure care period, the owner, operator, or permittee shall submit to the director written certification that the residual waste landfill facility has completed post-closure activities in accordance with this rule and the "final closure/post-closure plan." This certification shall be accompanied by documentation which demonstrates that all post-closure care activities have been completed. The certification shall be signed and sealed by a professional engineer registered in Ohio.

The applicable post-closure care period for a Class III Residual Waste Landfill is fifteen years. Landfill #1 did not receive waste after 1986, and Landfill #2 did not receive waste

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after 1992. Additionally, inspection records indicate the landfills have no outstanding compliance issues.

Ohio EPA staff have reviewed the above-referenced documents as well as additional historical ground water data provided throughout the review process for the Facilities and concur with the conclusion that the post-closure care requirements have been met and the Facilities do not pose an unacceptable risk to human health and the environment. Therefore, I acknowledge that the Facilities are adequately closed, and post-closure care per OAC 3745-30-10 is no longer required.

Please be advised that OAC 3745-27-13 is still applicable to the Facilities. OAC Rule 3745-27-13(A) states, in part, no person shall, without authorization from the director, engage in filling, grading, excavating, building, drilling or mining on land where a hazardous waste facility or solid waste facility was operated. Any person proposing to engage in these activities on land where a hazardous waste facility or a solid waste facility was operated shall comply with the requirements of this rule.

Please note that all monitoring wells at the Facilities should be properly abandoned as directed in Chapter 9 of <u>Ohio EPA Division of Drinking and Groundwater Technical</u> <u>Guidance Manual for Groundwater Investigations: Sealing abandoned Monitoring Wells</u> <u>and Boreholes</u>. A water well sealing report must be submitted to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for each abandoned well.

While the Owner is no longer obligated to conduct post-closure care activities at the Facilities pursuant to the residual solid waste regulations, the Owner should recognize that ORC Chapter 6111 prohibits causing pollution to waters of the state. Therefore, Ohio EPA recommends that the Owner continues to undertake reasonable measures to prevent impacts from the landfills, such as periodic inspection and maintenance of the Facilities' cover.

You are hereby notified that this action of the Director is final and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 3745.04. The appeal must be in writing and set forth the action complained of and the grounds upon which the appeal is based. The appeal must be filed with the Commission within thirty (30) days after notice of the Director's action. The appeal must be accompanied by a filing fee of \$70.00, made payable to "Treasurer, State of Ohio." The Commission, in its discretion, may reduce the fee if by affidavit it is demonstrated that payment of the full amount of the fee would cause extreme hardship. Notice of the filing of the appeal shall be filed with the Director within three (3) days of filing with the Commission. Ohio EPA requests that a copy of the appeal be served upon the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Environmental Enforcement Section. An appeal may be filed with the Environmental Review Appeals Commission at the following address:

Environmental Review Appeals Commission 30 East Broad Street, 4th Floor Columbus, OH 43215 Huron Lime Plant Landfills #1 and #2 OAC Rule 3745-30-10 Page 3

If you have any questions regarding this authorization, please contact John Pasquarette of Ohio EPA's Northwest District Office at (419) 373-3057.

Sincerely,

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