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Mr. Mark Karas
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Re: United States Gypsum Co
Director's Authorization
Acknowledgement
Residual Solid Waste Landfills
Ottawa County
RSWL018760

**Subject: US Gypsum Closed Landfill, Ottawa County
End of Post-Closure Care Period**

Dear Mr. Karas:

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The US Gypsum Closed Landfill (Landfill) is a closed Class III Residual Solid Waste Landfill located in Portage Township, Ottawa County, Ohio. By a letter dated December 20, 2004, the final closure certification for the Landfill was submitted to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) in accordance with Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 3745-30-09. As a Class III Residual Waste Landfill, the applicable post-closure period for the Landfill is fifteen (15) years. Therefore, the post-closure period for the Landfill ended December 20, 2019.

Please be advised that OAC Chapter 3745-513 is still applicable to this facility. OAC Rule 3745-513-20(A)(1) states, in part:

Chapter 513 activities (engaging in filling, grading, excavating, building, drilling, or mining on land where a solid waste facility or hazardous waste facility was operated) may be initiated only... for a modern facility, upon authorization from the director.

Please note that per the conclusion of the post-closure care period, all monitoring wells at the Landfill should be properly abandoned as directed in Chapter 9 of Ohio EPA Division of Drinking and Ground Water's Technical Guidance Manual for Ground Water Investigations: Sealing Boreholes and Decommissioned Monitoring Wells. An electronic version of this guidance document can be found at the following web link: https://www.epa.ohio.gov/Portals/28/documents/TGM-09_FINALSept2016.pdf A Water Well Sealing Report must be submitted to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for each abandoned well. An example of this report is provided in the above-referenced document.

While US Gypsum is no longer obligated to conduct post-closure care activities at the Landfill, pursuant to the solid waste regulations, US Gypsum should recognize that ORC Chapter 6111 prohibits causing pollution to waters of the state. Therefore, Ohio EPA

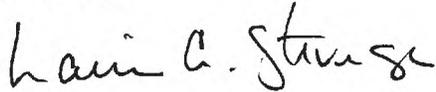
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recommends that US Gypsum continue to undertake reasonable measures to prevent impacts from the Landfill, such as periodic inspection and maintenance of the Landfill cap.

US Gypsum must also remain cognizant of the Environmental Covenant which is to be recorded with the Ottawa County Recorder to bar future installation of potable water supply wells within 1,000 feet of the limits of waste placement on property currently owned by US Gypsum.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Ken Brock of Ohio EPA, NWDO at (419) 373-3143.

Sincerely,



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