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June 9, 2025

RE: **Mahoning County** 

**Material Sciences Corporation** 

**Ditch Interim Measures** 

Mike J. Cocanig **Chief Operating Officer Material Sciences Corporation** 460 W. Main Street Canfield, Ohio 44406

Dear Mr. Cocanig,

This letter will serve as a response to a June 9, 2025 request to restore flow from the storm water ditch at your facility to Sawmill Creek. As part of ongoing work at the site surface stormwater has been physically isolated from groundwater in relation to the stormwater ditch.

As part of our request, sampling data has shown surface stormwater at the site to be below the Ohio Water Quality Standards human health criteria for free cyanide (0.400 mg/l). Other waters at the facility will still be collected and managed separately.

At this time flow from the stormwater ditch between Transects 0 and 1050 (T-0 to T-1050) may resume natural connection to Sawmill Creek (temporarily achieved by active pumping). This interim measure will allow for completion of the lower ditch separation near the line of compliance. The dam above T-0 will remain in place. Once you are ready to connect the upper and lower portions of the stormwater ditch, a separate request shall be submitted.

With reconnection of stormwater flow between T-0 and T-1050, the Interim Measure Monitoring Plan should be implemented. If at any time the human health criteria is exceeded, collection and management of stormwater shall resume until the standard is met. Please be advised that this is an interim measure and final goals for the site will be compliance with the state's aquatic life criteria.

Should you have any questions please call me at 330/963-1134.

Sincerely,

## William J. Zawiski

William J. Zawiski **Environmental Supervisor Division of Surface Water** 

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