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MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
GARY C. RIKARD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

December 2, 2016

Mr. John Szabo  
Covington Civil and Environmental  
2510 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1010  
Gulfport, MS 39501

Re: Groundwater Monitoring Report  
September 14, 2016 and October 18, 2016 Sampling Events  
Former Gulfport Fertilizer Plant Site, 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, Gulfport, Mississippi  
CCE Project No. 9397

Dear Mr. Szabo:

The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) Groundwater Assessment and Remediation Division (GARD) has reviewed the above referenced report submitted on behalf of Hancock Bank. MDEQ's review finds that the extents of lead and arsenic concentrations in groundwater are delineated and continuing the sampling plan as described in the 2009 Corrective Action Plan is approved. MDEQ also approves of your recommendation to abandon monitoring well MW-12, given that MW-10 is included in the future monitoring list as you have stated. Please provide MDEQ a brief monitoring well abandonment work plan for review and approval prior to commencing work. This work plan should include an abandonment method, schedule of work, and detail the report following abandonment activities. Additionally, MDEQ expects water levels to be measured in all monitoring wells remaining on site to be used for developing a more accurate potentiometric map.

At this time, I would like to notify you that project management for this site will be transitioning to Mr. Jay Liu. Myself and Mr. William McKercher will still be available and actively engaged with new staff to ease the transition of project management. Jay's contact information is as follows:

Mr. Jay Liu  
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Should you have any comments or questions, please contact Hunter Hudson at 601-961-5728.

Sincerely,

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MDEQ GARD Project Manager  
601-961-5728

cc: William McKercher, PE – MDEQ GARD *WM*  
Jay Liu – MDEQ GARD  
Anthony Damiano – MDEQ GARD  
Steven Duffy – Hancock Bank