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Dear Sirs:

Re: Request to Approve Alternate Date for Completion of Construction Activities for Implementation of the Updated Final Closure Plan

On September 30, 2019, I received your construction activities work plan and implementation schedule required under condition 6 of my June 26, 2019, letter (the "Conditional Approval Letter"). This document was signed and certified by your Qualified Professional, Dr. Tony Sperling, P.Eng, on September 27, 2019.

In the cover letter dated September 25, 2019, you requested an extension to August 31, 2020, to complete the construction activities for implementation of the Updated Final Closure Plan. As noted in the letter, this is due to the availability of common fill material, subcontractor schedules and to avoid winter weather conditions that are not favourable for placing and compacting fill material and could affect the quality of construction work.

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Pursuant to condition 9 of the Conditional Approval Letter and section 3 of the Second Amended Spill Prevention Order MO1701 (the “SPO”), I hereby approve an alternate date of August 31, 2020, for the completion of construction activities for implementation of the Updated Final Closure Plan, with the following conditions:

1. The two new shallow monitoring wells (MW19-01, MW19-02) must be installed in accordance with condition 8 of the Conditional Approval Letter, on or before 30 days after the date of this letter. The new seepage blanket well (SB-4) must also be installed on or before 30 days after the date of this letter. All monitoring wells and seepage blanket wells must be surveyed to a geodetic datum for water level monitoring. On or before December 31, 2019, water levels referenced to a geodetic datum must be recorded and a groundwater sample must be collected for all monitoring wells and seepage blanket wells.
2. A comprehensive pre-winter inspection of the landfill (including but not limited to all pollution control works and monitoring sites) must be conducted, and any identified maintenance and upgrades must be completed under the supervision of a Qualified Professional (QP) in accordance with the QP requirements in the Conditional Approval Letter. The comprehensive inspection and any required maintenance or upgrades must be completed on or before 30 days after the date of this letter, and documented in a report, certified by a QP, which must be submitted on or before November 30, 2019.
3. A draft of the quality management plan required under condition 5 of the Conditional Approval Letter must be submitted on or before November 30, 2019, and the final version of the quality management plan must be submitted before the commencement of construction activities and soil movement or by March 31, 2020, whichever is sooner.
4. The report required under condition 3 of the Conditional Approval Letter must be submitted on or before November 30, 2019.
5. An updated construction activity work plan and implementation schedule must be kept up to date and provided to the ministry on or immediately before the start of every quarter: that is, January 1, 2020; April 1, 2020; and July 1, 2020. The construction activities work plan and implementation schedule must include bi-weekly details for the next quarter.
6. Changes to the construction activities work plan and implementation schedule and additional detail (including, but not limited to, the reasons for such changes), as appropriate, must be provided to the ministry in advance on a biweekly basis. Changes to the construction activities work plan will still require 48 hours of notice before work is undertaken on site.

For clarity, the environmental monitoring program referred to in condition 11 of the Conditional Approval Letter must still be submitted on or before December 31, 2019. This letter does not replace the Conditional Approval Letter and the requirements from that letter remain in effect; however, any dates in this letter for specific deliverables take precedence over dates indicated in the Conditional Approval Letter.

In accordance with section 6 of the SPO, all submissions must be made electronically to the following email inbox: EnvironmentalCompliance@gov.bc.ca. Copies of all reports and documentation prepared and submitted before and during construction in accordance with this letter and the SPO must also be submitted to Authorizations.South@gov.bc.ca.

I reserve the right to amend the above conditions as circumstances warrant.

The requirements of the SPO remain in full force and effect. In accordance with section 3 of the SPO, the Named Parties must carry out all closure activities in the 2019 Updated Final Closure Plan and Amendment in accordance with the conditions of the approval. Failure to comply with the requirements of the SPO is a contravention of the *Environmental Management Act* and may result in escalated compliance and enforcement action.

Sincerely,



George Heyman
Minister

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