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Subject: Bayer MaterialScience LLC 125 New South Road Hicksville, New York NYSDEC Site #130004 Monthly Progress Report – November 2012

Dear Mr. Scharf:

On behalf of Bayer MaterialScience LLC (Bayer), enclosed is the November 2012 monthly progress report for the above-referenced site.

If you have any questions regarding the attached report, feel free to contact David Schnelzer of Bayer at 412.777.7603 or the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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## **MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – NOVEMBER 2012**

### RCRA CORRECTIVE ACTION PROGRAM BAYER MATERIALSCIENCE LLC 125 NEW SOUTH ROAD HICKSVILLE, NEW YORK

## ACTION THIS MONTH

- A November 8, 2012 meeting/conference call was held at Bayer's offices in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and attended by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), a prospective remedial Contractor, and the onsite engineer/construction project manager (ARCADIS) to discuss the Contractor's proposed approach and tentative schedule for implementing the remedial project. The NYSDEC provided the group with a status update on the Record of Decision (ROD) and review/approval of the "draft" Remedial Design (RD). It was reported that the ROD was under NYSDEC senior management review/approval and the RD review would be completed once the ROD is approved. The NYSDEC added that the Hurricane Sandy clean-up was a priority at the NYSDEC for several weeks, but they may be able to have the ROD approved and RD reviewed by early December.
- A November 20, 2012 meeting/conference call was held at Bayer's Pittsburgh offices and attended by the second prospective remedial Contractor to discuss the Contractor's proposed approach and tentative schedule for implementing the remedial project. ARCADIS joined the meeting via phone. Bayer conditionally awarded the contractor the work, pending a Bayer audit and approval of the contractor's proposed landfill.

#### **DELIVERABLES THIS MONTH**

• No project-related deliverables were submitted to the NYSDEC or New York State Department of Health in November 2012.

# ACTION NEXT MONTH

- ARCADIS will revise the RD, as needed, based on NYSDEC's review, and then issue a final PEstamped version of the RD following receipt of NYSDEC approval.
- Bayer will audit the contractor's proposed landfill and approve it for use if it meets Bayer's requirements.
- Bayer plans to execute a contract with the second contractor for mobilization to begin in early January 2013.

# SCHEDULE CHANGES

• The Contractor bidding and project award is proceeding on schedule. However, the overall project schedule depends on timing for NYSDEC issuance of the ROD and review/approval of the RD (i.e., remedial activities cannot begin without ROD issuance and RD approval).