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Re: Addendum to the Revised Remedial Design/Remedial Action Work Plan Amtrak Sunnyside Yard, Queens, New York

Dear Mr. Ahmed:

Remedial Engineering P.C (Remedial Engineering) and Roux Associates, Inc. (Roux Associates) on behalf of the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) and the New Jersey Transit Corporation (NJTC) are submitting this addendum to the Revised Remedial Design/Remedial Action Work Plan for Operable Unit 3, Sunnyside Yard, Queens, New York (RD/RA Work Plan). The RD/RA Work Plan was submitted to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) on July 26, 2011 and was approved by the NYSDEC on October 20, 2011. Since the approval of the RD/RA Work Plan, Remedial Engineering and Roux Associates have made value added adjustments aimed at improving the efficiency and functionality of the mobile separate-phase petroleum hydrocarbon (SPH) recovery system with the following proposed changes:

- Operate the system using two liquid ring pumps (LRPs) rather than four. Each LRP will be the same size and will apply a vacuum up to 10 to 12 DPVE wells and/or two zones. The LRPs have been increased in size to be capable of handling approximately 600 cubic feet per minute (cfm) and 29 inches of mercury (in. of Hg). Each LRP will be interconnected to each zone to allow for maximum operational flexibility during LRP maintenance.
- Each zone (up to 6 DPVE wells) will have dedicated two-way, normally closed solenoid valves to allow for automation of each zones operation. The previous design assumed all zones would have been turned on or off manually. This will allow for more efficient operation of each zone for any defined period of time of hours or days.
- Increase the size of the oil water separator (OWS) from 45 gpm to 200 gpm. During the pilot study emulsified product/water was seen in the water effluent chamber in the 10 gpm OWS used for the pilot study. Emulsification of product can reduce the performance level of the OWS. By providing additional capacity in the OWS, it will allow the emulsified product/water mixture pumped from the knockout tanks of the LRPs to separate prior to effluent discharge. This will

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reduce the potential for high level alarms in the OWS and extend the life of the organoclay filter units.

• Reconfigure the location of the remediation system equipment to allow for Amtrak's proposed extension of the High Speed Train Facility building and relocated roadway, as shown on Drawing 1.

An updated process and instrumentation diagram reflecting the changes described above is provided as an attachment (Drawing 2).

Although the number of LRPs has been reduced, the proposed system automation through the use of solenoid valves will provide better control and optimization of the SPH product recovery by focusing on the DPVE wells and/or zones that have measurable SPH. In addition, the system will be more energy efficient with less horsepower required to perform the same work. The system will still have a significant capacity of operating up to four zones or 24 DPVE wells at the same time.

The system is designed to remove total fluids from the well network via vacuum extraction. Groundwater well pumps will not be used. The liquid extraction rate is expected to be approximately 10 gpm combined. The first pumping units in the system are liquid transfer pumps that are designed for a maximum rate of 20 gpm (10 gpm normal flow) each for a total maximum rate of 40 gpm. These transfer pumps will only run when the moisture separator tanks are full and will not run continuously. Therefore, based on the extraction technology and maximum system flow rate of 40 gpm, a Long Island well permit is not applicable.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information during your review, please do not hesitate to contact me at (631)232-2600.

Sincerely,

REMEDIAL ENGINEERING, P.C.

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Attachment

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