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DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS AND ENVIRONMENTAL EASEMENT

This Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions and Environmental Easement is made this 2 day of ______, 2012, by and between Rockland County Sewer District No. 1, a County Improvement District organized and existing pursuant to Article 5-A of the New York State County Law, having its principal office at 4 Route 340, Orangeburg, New York 10962 ("Grantor"), and the People of the State of New York (the "Grantee"), acting through their Commissioner of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation with its Central Office, located at 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233 ("Grantee").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Grantor is the owner of a tract of land containing more or less 0.65 acres located in the Town of Ramapo, County of Rockland, State of New York, more particularly described on Exhibit A and shown on Exhibit B, both of which exhibits are attached hereto and made a part hereof, together with any buildings and improvements thereon and appurtenances thereto (the "Sewer District No. 1 Property"); and

WHEREAS, the Sewer District No. 1 Property is situated within the Ramapo Landfill Superfund site (the "Ramapo Landfill Site"), a former sanitary landfill facility which accepted municipal waste for disposal, which the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), pursuant to Section 105 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. § 9605, placed on the National Priorities List, as set forth in Appendix B of the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan ("NCP"), 40 C.F.R. Part 300, by publication in the Federal Register on September 1, 1983; and

WHEREAS, in a Record of Decision dated March 31, 1992 ("ROD") as modified by an Explanation of Significant Difference dated November 25, 1997 ("ESD"), EPA selected, and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation ("NYSDEC") concurred with, a remedial action for the Ramapo Landfill Site, pursuant to CERCLA, which remedial action provided for, among other things, the construction of a landfill cover at a portion of the Ramapo Landfill Site not including the Sewer District No. 1 Property, and which remedial action also provided for institutional controls to prevent the installation of drinking water wells at the entire portion of the Ramapo Landfill Site, including the Sewer District No. 1 Property; and

WHEREAS, the construction activities associated with the remedial action have been completed at the Ramapo Landfill Site and long term monitoring activities are ongoing; and

WHEREAS, the deed ("Sewer District Deed") covering the Sewer District No. 1 Property from the Town of Ramapo to Grantor contains a restrictive covenant in favor of the Town of Ramapo that prohibits Grantor from installing or using groundwater wells for drinking water on the Sewer District No. 1 Property; and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto have agreed that in order to provide Grantee with the ability to enforce the foregoing restriction, Grantor shall grant to the Grantee a permanent Environmental

Easement pursuant to Article 71, Title 36 of the NYS Environmental Conservation Law, covenant with respect to the restrictions on the use of the Sewer District No. 1 Property, and provide a right of access to the Sewer District No. 1 Property in favor of Grantee and EPA, all of which shall run with the land, for purposes of implementing, facilitating and monitoring the CERCLA response action in order to protect human health and the environment; and

WHEREAS, Grantor wishes to cooperate fully with the Grantee in the implementation of all response actions at the Sewer District No. 1 Property.

NOW, THEREFORE:

- 1. Grant: Grantor, on behalf of itself, its successors and assigns, for ten dollars and other good and valuable consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, does hereby give, grant, covenant and declare in favor of the Grantee that the Sewer District No. 1 Property shall be subject to this Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions and Environmental Easement, and Grantor does further give, grant and convey to the Grantee the perpetual right to enforce said restrictions, covenants, right of access and Environmental Easement, all of which shall be of the nature and character, and for the purposes hereinafter set forth, with respect to the Sewer District No. 1 Property.
- 2. <u>Purpose</u>: It is the purpose of this instrument to convey to the Grantee real property rights, which will run with the land, to impose use restrictions and covenants to protect human health and the environment by reducing the risk of exposure to contaminants.
- Restrictions on Use: The following restrictions apply to the use of the Sewer District No. 1 Property, as provided below, run with the land and are binding on the Grantor and its successors in title and assigns: Groundwater wells for drinking water shall not be installed or used on any portion of the Sewer District No. 1 Property.
- 4. Modification or termination of restrictions and covenants: The restrictions specified in the preceding paragraph of this instrument may only be modified or terminated, in whole or in part, in writing, by the Grantee, provided, however, that any modification or termination of said restrictions shall not adversely affect the remedy selected by EPA and NYSDEC for the Ramapo Landfill Site. If requested by the Grantor, such writing will be executed by Grantee in recordable form. Any request by Grantor for a modification or termination of this instrument shall be made, not less than 30-days in advance of any modification or termination, in writing by Grantor to NYSDEC and to EPA in accordance with paragraph 15 of this instrument.
- 5. Right of access: Grantor hereby convey to Grantee and to EPA a right of access to the Sewer District No. 1 Property at all reasonable times for the following purposes, which right of access shall run with the land and be binding on Grantor, its successors and /or assigns, and on any tenants or any other parties having an interest and/or rights to any portion of the Sewer District No. 1 Property: to verify that no action is being taken at the Sewer District No. 1 Property in violation of the applicable terms of this instrument.

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6. Reserved rights of Grantor: Grantor hereby reserves unto itself, its successors, and assigns, all rights and privileges in and to the use of the Sewer District No. 1 Property which are not incompatible with the restrictions, rights, covenants and easements granted herein, including, without limitation, the operation of a wastewater pump station.

- 7. <u>Federal authority</u>: Nothing in this document shall limit or otherwise affect any EPA rights of entry and access or EPA's authority to take response actions under CERCLA, the NCP, or other federal law.
- 8. <u>State authority</u>: Nothing herein shall constitute a waiver of any rights the State may have pursuant to the Environmental Conservation Law, regulations and/or relevant provisions of statutory or common law.
- 9. <u>No public access and use</u>: No right of access or use by the general public to any portion of the Sewer District No. 1 Property is conveyed by this instrument.
- 10. <u>Public notice</u>: Grantor, on behalf of itself, its successors and assigns, agrees to include in each instrument conveying any interest in any portion of the Sewer District No. 1 Property, including but not limited to deeds, leases and mortgages, a notice which is in substantially the following form:

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Within thirty (30) days of the date any such instrument of conveyance is executed, Grantor agrees to provide Grantee and EPA with a certified true copy of said instrument and, if it has been recorded in the public land records, its recording reference.

- 11. Enforcement: The Grantee shall be entitled to enforce the terms of this instrument by resort to specific performance. All remedies available hereunder shall be in addition to any and all other remedies at law or in equity, including CERCLA. Any forbearance, delay or omission to exercise Grantee's rights under this instrument in the event of a breach of any term of this instrument shall not be deemed to be a waiver by the Grantee of such term or of any of the rights of the Grantee under this instrument.
- 12. <u>Damages</u>: Grantee shall also be entitled to recover damages for breach of any covenant or violation of the terms of this instrument including any impairment to the remedial action that increases the cost of the selected response action for the Ramapo Landfill Site as a result of such breach or violation.
- 13. <u>Waiver of certain defenses</u>: Grantor hereby waives any defense of laches, estoppel, or prescription.

- 14. <u>Covenants</u>: Grantor hereby covenants that the Grantor is lawfully seized in fee simple of the Sewer District No. 1 Property, that the Grantor has a good and lawful right and power to sell and convey it or any interest therein and that the Sewer District No. 1 Property is free and clear of encumbrances, other than matters shown of record.
- 15. <u>Notices</u>: Any notice, demand, request, consent, approval, or communication under this instrument that either party desires or is required to give to the other shall be in writing and shall either be served personally or sent by first class mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

To Grantor:

County of Rockland Sewer District No. 1

4 Route 340

Orangeburg, NY 10962

Att: Dianne Philipps, Executive Director

To Grantee:

Office of General Counsel

NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

625 Broadway

Albany, New York 12233-5500

NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

Division of Environmental Remediation

Bureau of Site Control

625 Broadway

Albany, New York 12233

A copy of each such communication shall also be sent to EPA in the same manner as to Grantor or Grantee, and addressed to the following two addressees:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Emergency & Remedial Response Division New York Remediation Branch Attention: Ramapo Landfill Superfund Site Remedial Project Manager 290 Broadway, 20th Floor, New York, New York 10007-1866

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Office of Regional Counsel Attention: Ramapo Landfill Superfund Site Attorney 290 Broadway, 17th Floor, New York, New York 10007-1866

16. General provisions:

a) <u>Controlling law</u>: The interpretation and performance of this instrument shall, with respect to the Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions and Environmental Easement, be governed by the laws of the State of New York, and with respect to other matters, shall be governed by the laws of the United States or, if there are no applicable federal laws, by the law of the State of New York.

- b) <u>Liberal construction</u>: Any general rule of construction to the contrary notwithstanding, this instrument shall be liberally construed in favor of the grant to effect the purpose of this instrument and the policy and purpose of CERCLA. If any provision of this instrument is found to be ambiguous, an interpretation consistent with the purpose of this instrument that would render the provision valid shall be favored over any interpretation that would render it invalid.
- c) <u>Severability</u>: If any provision of this instrument, or the application of it to any person or circumstance, is found to be invalid, the remainder of the provisions of this instrument, or the application of such provisions to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is found to be invalid, as the case may be, shall not be affected thereby.
- d) <u>No forfeiture</u>: Nothing contained herein will result in a forfeiture or reversion of Grantors' title in any respect.
- e) <u>Joint obligation</u>: If there are two or more parties identified as Grantor herein, the obligations imposed by this instrument upon them shall be joint and several.
- f) Successors: The covenants, easements, terms, conditions, and restrictions of this instrument shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the parties hereto and their respective personal representatives, heirs, successors, and assigns and shall continue as a servitude running in perpetuity with the Sewer District No. 1 Property. The term "Grantor", wherever used herein, and any pronouns used in place thereof, shall include the persons and/or entities named at the beginning of this document, identified as "Grantor" and their personal representatives, heirs, successors, and assigns. The term "Grantee", wherever used herein, and any pronouns used in place thereof, shall mean the People of the State of New York acting through their Commissioner of NYSDEC or through any successor department or agency of the State of New York.
- g) <u>Captions</u>: The captions in this instrument have been inserted solely for convenience of reference and are not a part of this instrument and shall have no effect upon construction or interpretation.
- h) <u>Counterparts</u>: The parties may execute this instrument in two or more counterparts, which shall, in the aggregate, be signed by both parties; each counterpart shall be deemed an original instrument as against any party who has signed it. In the event of any disparity between the counterparts produced, the recorded counterpart shall be controlling.
- i) <u>Third-Party Beneficiary</u>: Grantor and Grantee hereby agree that the United States, through EPA, shall be, on behalf of the public, a third-party beneficiary of the benefits, rights and obligations conveyed to Grantee in this instrument; provided that nothing in this instrument shall be construed to create any obligations on the part of EPA.
- J) Nothing herein shall constitute a waiver by Grantor of any right it may have to indemnification by the Town of Ramapo, or otherwise, under the Sewer District Deed.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the Grantee and its assigns forever.

this instrument to be signed in its name.
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, in the year 2012, before me, the undersigned, personally known to me or proved to me adividual whose name is subscribed to the within executed the same in his/her capacity as ad County Sewer District No. 1, and that by , upon behalf of which the individual acted,
No.

PARISI ANNAMARIA
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Rockland County
No. 01PA6103501
My Commission Expires 12-29-2015

Order No:

THIS DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS AND ENVIRONMENTAL EASEMENT IS HEREBY ACCEPTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, Acting By and Through the Department of Environmental Conservation as Designee of the Commissioner.

By:

Robert W. Schick, Director

Division of Environmental Remediation

Date: 9/12/2012

Grantee's Acknowledgment

STATE OF NEW YORK) ss: COUNTY OF ALBANY)

On the day of loke of, in the year 2012, before me, the undersigned, personally appeared Robert W. Schick, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name is (are) subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/ executed the same in his/her/ capacity as Designee of the Commissioner of the State of New York Department of Environmental Conservation, and that by his/her/ signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual agted, executed the instrument.

David J. Chiusano Notary Public, State of New York No. 01CH5032146

Qualified in Schenectady County Commission Expires August 22, 20 Site No: 344004

EXHIBIT A

To

Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions and Environmental Easement Description of Sewer District No. 1 Property Subject to this Instrument

May 7, 2012 Job # 2230

ROCKLAND COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT No. 1 PROPERTY DESCRIPTION TAX LOT 39.19-1-3.1 DEED REF. INST.#2011-30014

TOWN OF RAMAPO * ROCKLAND COUNTY * NEW YORK

BEING LOT No.4 AS SHOWN ON THIS SURVEY

BEGINNING AT A POINT (P.O.B.) ON THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY OF TORNE VALLEY ROAD (VARIES IN WIDTH). SAID POINT IS LOCATED N 17d03m56s E 237.05' AND N 02d15m54s E 83.13' FROM THE SOUTHWESTERLY CORNER OF LANDS NOW OR FORMERLY OF THE TOWN OF RAMAPO (TAX LOT 39.19-1-3) AND RUNNING THENCE;

- 1. N 02d15m54s E 202.57' CONTINUING ALONG THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY OF TORNE VALLEY ROAD TO A POINT; THENCE,
- 2. S 79d37m44s E 20.36' ALONG THE COMMON BOUNDARY LINE OF THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PARCEL AND LANDS NOW OR FORMERLY OF THE TOWN OF RAMAPO (TAX LOT 39.19-1-3) TO A POINT; THENCE,
- 3. S 28d15m50s E 27.52' CONTINUING ALONG THE SAME TO A POINT; THENCE,
- 4. S 57d16m19s E 22.03' CONTINUING ALONG THE SAME TO A POINT; THENCE,
- 5. S 81d10m05s E 64.26' CONTINUING ALONG THE SAME TO A POINT; THENCE,
- 6. S 77d12m37s E 53.82' CONTINUING ALONG THE SAME TO A POINT; THENCE,
- 7. S 09d46m40s W 168.95' CONTINUING ALONG THE SAME TO A POINT; THENCE,
- 8. N 80d04m46s W 149.12' CONTINUING ALONG THE SAME TO A POINT OR PLACE OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINING 0.650 ACRES OF LAND MORE OR LESS.

Order No:

EXHIBIT B

To

Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions and Environmental Easement Survey of Property Where Use has been Restricted

(See attached survey (Sparaco Engineering & Land Surveying, PC, August 25, 2011, Revised May 16, 2012) of Ramapo Landfill Site and Sewer District No. 1 Property showing Institutional Control)



