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**Subject: Progress Report for Fourth Quarter 2024  
Cortese Landfill Site, Narrowsburg, New York**

Dear Mr. Granger:

This progress report for the fourth calendar quarter of 2024 is submitted on behalf of the Settling Defendants to the Amendment to Consent Decree, Civil Action No. 96-CV-1513, for the Cortese Landfill Site in Narrowsburg, New York.

**Actions Taken Toward Compliance with the 1996 Consent Decree and the August 2012 Amendment to the 1996 Consent Decree**

- The fall 2024 OU4 performance groundwater and surface water monitoring event was completed on 28 and 29 October 2024.
- The Annual Cap Inspection was conducted on 7 October 2024. Several items were noted during the site inspection including: overgrown vegetation surrounding the gas vents, excessive vegetation growing on the well field, and damage to the western security perimeter fence caused by a fallen tree.

**Summary of Sample and Test Results**

- The OU4 performance monitoring samples were collected on 28 and 29 October 2024. The analytical reports were received on 4 and 11 November 2024. Results will be presented in the 2024 Annual Report, which will be submitted in 2025.

**Deliverables Submitted**

- No deliverables were submitted during the reporting period.

**Work Planned for First and Second Quarters 2025**

- Data quality assessment and validation of OU3 and OU4 performance monitoring results;
- Preparation of the 2024 Annual Report;
- Spring 2025 groundwater monitoring event; and

- Repairs to the fence line and vegetation clearing to address issues noted during the 2024 Annual Cap Inspection are tentatively scheduled for Q2 2025.

### **Problems or Delays Encountered or Anticipated**

- No problems or delays were encountered during the reporting period.

### **Proposed Work Plan and Schedule Modifications**

- Given the decrease in Site activities following suspension of active treatment, the frequency of progress report submittal required by the 1996 Consent Decree and the August 2012 Amendment to the 1996 Consent Decree has been decreased from monthly to quarterly and has now been decreased from quarterly to semiannually (second quarter and fourth quarter). The next progress report will be submitted by 10 July 2025 and semiannually thereafter until such time as Site activities potentially increase.

### **Community Relations Actions**

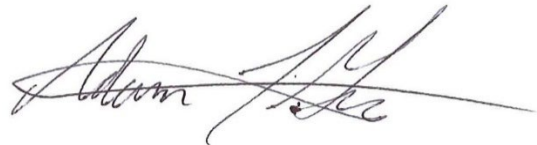
- No community relations activities were conducted during the reporting period.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this report, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Bob Glazier of Geosyntec at 410-381-4333.

Sincerely,



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