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RE: Monthly Progress Report – August 2023

Taconic Site (Site No. 442047)
Petersburgh, New York

Dear Mr. Harrington

Pursuant to Section XIII of Appendix A of the Order on Consent and Administrative Settlement for the Tonoga Inc. d/b/a Taconic facility in Petersburgh, New York, the Monthly Progress Report is attached. Please contact me at 518.658.3202 x328 or at jeffm@4taconic.com if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Manager, Environmental Stewardship

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#### Actions Taken to Comply with the Settlement Agreement During Current Month (August):

- On July 24, 2023, Taconic received the NYSDEC's comments on the Phase 2c RI Work Plan. Revisions to the Work Plan were completed in August 2023.
- Taconic received NYSDEC's approval of the Building1 IRM Work Plan on August 2, 2023. Taconic solicited bids from seven potential contractors. All bidders declined to bid. Taconic remains in negotiations with one bidder to potentially perform the work in 2023.
- Taconic performed additional sampling of Agricultural Products on August 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> 2023. Taconic is making additional inquiries of residents for another source of beef, syrup and eggs.

# Plans, Reports, and Other Deliverables Required by the Settlement Agreement Completed and Submitted in the Current Month (August):

 On August 17, 2023, Taconic submitted the revised Phase 2c RI Work Plan to address the NYSDEC's comments of July 24, 2023.

# Results of Sampling, Tests and Any Other Data Received or Generated by or on behalf of Respondent During the Current Month (August):

- Analytical results received during the month for the POET systems and annual raw only properties were submitted to NYSDEC/NYSDOH/RCDOH on August 22, 2023
- Analytical results received during the month for the Town of Petersburgh treatment system were submitted to NYSDEC/NYSDOH/RCDOH on August 17 and 31, 2023.

#### Activities Undertaken in Support of the Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) During Current Month (August):

None.

#### Actions, Plans and Data Scheduled for the Next Month (September):

- Pending receipt of the NYSDEC's approval of the Phase 2c RI Work Plan, Taconic will begin activities to initiate the field work.
- Collection of agricultural product samples will continue with NYSDEC's concurrence of the proposed sampling products.
- Analytical results are scheduled to be received for the installed POET systems and raw water only locations with no POET systems.
- Sampling of the installed POET systems and raw water only locations with no POET systems will continue.
- Installation and maintenance services of POET systems will continue.

- Installation of POET system(s) not yet completed at locations included in Exhibit C of the Settlement Agreement will continue if accepted by the homeowners.
- Operation and maintenance support services for the Town of Petersburgh Treatment System will continue.

#### Activities in Support of the Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) Anticipated for the Next Month (September):

• Approved plans will be transmitted to the document repository as required.

#### **Delays Encountered or Anticipated and Mitigation Measures:**

None

#### **Proposed or Approved Modifications (Work Scope and/or Schedule):**

None

## Percentage of Completion and Additional Information Relating to the Progress of Work:

RI Phase 2b (Ag Samling) Tasks	<b>Percent Complete</b>
Sample beef, eggs, milk and syrup as available	80%
Sample fruits and vegetables as available	95%
Sampling garden soils	0%
Data Validation	0%
Update QHHEA Report	0%

## **POET System Monthly Report**

Total Raw-Only Locations	128	
Total Raw-Only Sampled	3Q23 = 2 Completed; 5 Scheduled	
	• July= 1 Completed; 4 Scheduled.	
	August=1 Completed; 1 Scheduled.	
	• September = NA Completed; 0	
	Scheduled.	
Locations On Hold	29 (16 vacant locations and 13 owners that	
	requested no additional samples be collected and	
	to be removed from the list.)	
Taconic POET System Installed as a result of	21	
Raw-Only Sampling		
Taconic POET System Cleared for Use	17	
NYSDEC POET Systems installed at Owner's	21	
Request (Within AOC. Estimated)		
POET Systems (does not include POETS operated by DEC)		
Updated Exhibit C POET System Installation List:		
Total POET System Locations	150 (97 Exhibit C, 11 added because of Raw data,	
	and 32 added with new MCL)	
Total POET Systems Installed	112	
POET Systems Clear for Use	109	
POET Systems on Hold	24 (Contacted homeowners.)	
POET Installations - Exhibit C of the Settlement	82% (Will complete with homeowners'	
Agreement	acceptance)	
POET System O&M:		
Total POET System Properties Sampled this	3Q2023 = 35 Completed; 36 Scheduled	
Quarter	• August = 18 Completed; 13 Scheduled.	
	• September = 17 Completed; 13 Scheduled.	
	• September = NA Completed; 10 Scheduled.	
GAC Tank Exchanges	43	
3rd Quarter Maintenance Monitoring of the	97% through August 2023	
POET Systems through August.		