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McKesson Envirosystems
127 West Berry Street
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Re: Soil Vapor Intrusion Evaluation
McKesson Envirosystems (Inland Site)
400 Bear Street W., Syracuse, NY
Site No. 734020

Attn: Environmental Manager

Dear Sir:

As you may be aware, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, (NYSDEC) in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH, collectively referred to as the "Agencies"), recently developed a strategy for "Evaluating the Potential for Vapor Intrusion at Past, Current and Future Sites" in the State of New York (<http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/der/vaporstrat.pdf>). The strategy describes the process by which the agencies will prioritize remedial sites for further soil vapor intrusion evaluations. One element of the strategy involves evaluation of the soil vapor intrusion pathway at sites where the Agencies previously selected a remedy to address site-related hazardous waste contamination.

Although the Agencies may have already evaluated the soil gas pathway at a site as part of a previous remedial program, improvements in analytical techniques and knowledge gained from site investigations in New York and other states has led to an increased awareness of soil vapor as a media of concern and of the potential for exposures from the vapor intrusion pathway. Based on this additional information, New York is currently re-evaluating previous assumptions and decisions regarding the potential for vapor intrusion exposures at sites. The result is that additional work may be required to investigate and/or remediate sites that are in the operational or monitoring phase or are closed.

At each such site, the process of conducting a vapor intrusion evaluation will begin with a review of the historical data. In some cases, there may be sufficient historical data to evaluate the vapor intrusion pathway without further investigation. At sites where it is determined that further

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investigation is required, it may be necessary to collect any or all of the following samples: groundwater, soil vapor, sub-slab vapor, and indoor and outdoor air. Based on the Agencies' review of the historical data for this site, the Agencies are requesting your participation in conducting a soil vapor intrusion evaluation at the above mentioned site.

Should you decide to participate and conduct a vapor intrusion evaluation of the site, the Agencies will work with you to determine how to proceed with the evaluation. Should you decide that you will not participate in conducting a vapor intrusion evaluation at the site, the Agencies will proceed with the evaluation and will subsequently seek to recover the costs incurred as part of that evaluation where appropriate and authorized by law.

The State has developed "Guidance for Evaluating Soil Vapor Intrusion in the State of New York" which provides detailed information about soil vapor intrusion. The document is available for viewing or download at the New York State Department of Health website (http://www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/gas/svi_guidance/index.htm).

Please respond to this request for participation by August 15, 2005, whether or not you decide to participate. Please direct your response to Donald Hesler at the address below. Should you have any questions regarding this issue, please call me at (518) 402-9767. We appreciate your cooperation.

Very truly yours,



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