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February 10, 2020

Ms. Alicia Barraza Project Manager, Environmental Remediation NYS Department of Environmental Conservation 625 Broadway, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor Albany, New York 12233-7016

Re: Monthly Progress Report – January 2020 1675 Apartments 1675-1679 Westchester Avenue, Bronx, New York NYSDEC BCP Site No. C203107

## Dear Ms. Barraza:

This Monthly Progress Report has been prepared by AKRF, Inc. (AKRF) to summarize the work performed at the 1675 Apartments site located at 1675-1679 Westchester Avenue in the Bronx, New York [New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) Site No. C203107] (the "Site") during the month of January 2020. The following activities were conducted:

• Construction of the new building superstructure continued.

The following work is planned for/was completed in February 2020:

- NYSDEC issued a February 4, 2020 letter requiring submittal of an Environmental Easement (EE) for the Site within 60 days of letter issuance. The letter is included as Attachment A.
- On February 4, 2020, members of the NYSDEC, the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), and AKRF project teams participated in a monthly conference call to discuss Site progress, and the requirements and milestones required to obtain the Certificate of Completion (COC) in 2020.
- Construction of the new building superstructure will continue.

If you have any questions regarding the information presented in this letter, please contact Deborah Shapiro at (646) 388-9544 or Amy Jordan at (646) 388-9864.

Sincerely, AKRF, Inc.

Deborah Shapiro, QEP Senior Vice President

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Amy Jordan Technical Director Enc.:

Attachment A – NYSDEC-Issued Environmental Easement Request Letter – February 4, 2020

cc:

Michael Wadman – 1675 JV Associates LLC and 1675 Westchester Avenue HDFC Ralph Declet, David Almonte, Cornelia Narovici, John Siddal – Acacia Network Grace Nam, Mike Komoroske, Meghan Medwid – NYSDEC Angela Martin – NYSDOH Samantha Catalonotto – NYCOER

Michelle Lapin, P.E. – AKRF

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## ATTACHMENT A

## NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Division of Environmental Remediation, Remedial Bureau B 625 Broadway, 12th Floor, Albany, NY 12233-7016 P: (518) 402-9767 I F: (518) 402-9773 www.dec.ny.gov

February 4, 2020

Michael Wadman 1675 JV Associates LLC 902 Broadway, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10010

> Re: Environmental Easement for 1675 Apartments ("Site") Site ID No.: C203107 Bronx NY, Bronx County

Dear Mr. Wadman:

The above referenced Site requires an Environmental Easement as part of the remediation process. Information on finalizing remedial projects may be found on the Department's website at <a href="http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/48236.html">http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/48236.html</a>. There are several items which constitute the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's standard Environmental Easement package. These items include the following:

- a) Title requirements;
- b) Survey requirements;
- c) Attorney/Applicant Checklist and Certification; and
- d) Notice form.

Please note that the requirements for completing an environmental easement have recently been significantly reduced. Information on these items can be found on the Department's website page at the following links:

Title Requirements - http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/48231.html

Survey Requirements - http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/48242.html

Easement Checklist - <a href="http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/65118.html">http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/65118.html</a>

Please work with your attorney to compile the package and submit it within 60 days of the date of this letter. Upon receipt of these documents the Department will prepare the Environmental Easement and transmit it to you for signature. Any questions regarding the legal requirements should be addressed to **Bradford Burns**, **Senior Attorney**, Office of General Counsel, at 518-402-9188 or by email at <a href="mailto:bradford.burns@dec.ny.gov">bradford.burns@dec.ny.gov</a>. When the package has been completed with site-specific information, a hard copy must be submitted in its entirety to:





Bradford Burns, Esq.
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
Office of General Counsel
625 Broadway
Albany, NY 12233-1500

An electronic copy of the package should be forwarded to:

**Bradford Burns, Esq.** 

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Please be advised that failure to include all the necessary documentation/information required in the Environmental Easement package will result in a delay of Department review and approval of the Easement.

If you have any questions concerning the technical aspects of this matter, please contact me at 518-402-9690.

Sincerely,

Project Manager

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Section A

cc: G. Burke

M. Komoroske

G. Nam

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