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February 10, 2004

Mr. Russell D. Huyck, P.E. Environmental Engineer 2 NYS Department of Environmental Conservation Office of Environmental Quality, Region 5 Route 86 – P.O. Box 296 Ray Brook, New York 12977

Re: Response to February 4, 2005 NYSDOH/DEC Comment Letter VCP Site Investigation Work Plan Addendum No. 1
Durkee Street Parking Lot, Plattsburgh, New York C.T. Male Project No. 04.9498

### Dear Mr. Huyck:

C.T. Male Associates, P.C. (C.T. Male) has reviewed the February 4, 2005 NYSDOH/DEC comment letter (attached) relative to of our December 2004 VCP Draft Site Investigation Work Plan of the Durkee Street Parking Lot site. Following are responses to the comments made in the letter. The responses will be incorporated as an addendum to the final Site Investigation Work Plan for the site, and if acceptable render the Draft Site Investigation Plan final and complete.

#### Comment A

**DEC Comment:** The appropriate figures contained within the Work Plan must be revised to include the locations proposed for the collection of soil gas samples. Actual field sampling locations and results must be documented and presented in the remedial investigation report.

C.T. Male Response: Attached is a revised Site Plan depicting the approximate locations of the completed soil gas sampling points within OU1 and identification of proposed soil gas sampling points within OU2. SG-1 to SG-3 are located in the footprint of the proposed office building slated for Operable Unit #1. The remaining six sample points will be placed at approximate equidistant locations within Operable Unit #2, which should provide adequate coverage for any future building construction in this area. If future building locations become known prior to the completion of the soil gas sampling within OU2, their locations may be adjusted accordingly.

### Comment B

**DEC Comment:** Please specify the number of soil gas samples to be collected from within the approximate footprint of the office building proposed to be located within OU1.

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C.T. Male Response: Three soil gas samples have been collected from within the footprint of the planned office building within OU1. The locations are depicted as SG-1 to SG-3 on the attached site plan. Ambient and duplicate samples were also collected as part of the sampling effort.

#### Comment C

**DEC Comment:** A soil gas survey is not specifically proposed for OU2. An evaluation of soil gas within OU2 will be required. Please amend the work plan accordingly.

C.T. Male Response: Six soil gas sample points, placed at approximate equidistant locations, are proposed for Operable Unit #2. The sample locations should provide adequate coverage of this portion of the site should future development take place. The sample point locations are depicted on the attached site plan. Ambient and field duplicated samples will be collected as part of the sampling scheme.

#### Comment D

**DEC Comment:** Section 6.1, Sample Point Installation – Soil gas collection flow rate, for both purging and sampling, must not exceed 0.2 liters per minute to prevent ambient air infiltration.

C.T. Male Response: Pursuant to Section 6.1 of the Field Sampling Plan, the soil gas collection flow rate, for both purging and sampling, will not exceed 0.2 liters per minute to prevent ambient air infiltration.

#### Comment E

**DEC Comment:** Field Sampling Plan, Appendix B – Numerous references are mistakenly made to the equipment decontamination procedures in Section 3.9. The decontamination procedures are actually presented in Section 3.8.

C.T. Male Response: Equipment decontamination procedures are presented in Section 3.8 of the Field Sampling Plan, not Section 3.9.

#### Comment F

**DEC Comment:** Citizen Participation Plan, Appendix E – The contact list is incomplete. Local State officials must also be included. Similarly, the local TV news and radio media should be included as well.

C.T. Male Response: The following are added to the contact list in the Citizen Participation Plan.

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NYS Senator Elizabeth O'C Little 305 West Bay Plaza Plattsburgh, NY 12901 OR Room 903 Legislative Office Building Albany, NY 12247

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Television WPTZ 5 Television Drive Plattsburgh, NY 12901 NYS Assemblyman Chris Ortloff 176 US Oval, Suite 1000 Plattsburgh, NY 12903 OR Room 450 Legislative Office Building Albany, NY 12248

Radio WIRY 30 Cornelia Street Plattsburgh, NY 12901

If you have any questions, please call our office at your convenience.

Respectfully submitted, C.T. MALE ASSOCIATES, P.C.

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