Cleanup Standards Scientific Advisory Board

To the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection/CSSAB

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Dear Michael:

Based on the meeting of the Cleanup Standards Scientific Advisory Board on 17Dec2014, and the Board's deliberations during that meeting, I am transmitting to you the Board's recommendations regarding proposed amendments to 25 Pa. Code Chapter 250.

The Cleanup Standards Scientific Advisory Board supports the proposed amendments to 25 Pa. Code Chapter 250, for public comment, developed by the Department of Environmental Protection, particularly the Public Notice provisions and Fees, updated tables of medium specific concentrations (MSCs) and Health Advisory Levels (HALs) contained in the proposed amendments insofar as these reflect the procedures and requirements specified under the Pennsylvania Land Recycling and Environmental Remediation Standards Act (Act 2) for establishing MSCs and HALs.

As noted during the meeting, the Board does not support the MSCs for methyl tert-butyl ether (MTBE) contained in 25 Pa. Code Chapter 250 because those MSCs do not reflect specific health-based criteria as required in Act 2 and the regulations thereunder, but instead are based on aesthetic considerations not authorized by Act 2.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you should have any questions regarding the foregoing.

Respectfully Submitted;

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Chair/CSSAB

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