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Regional Water Management Program Manager 2 Public Square Wilkes- Barre, PA 18711-0790

re: NPDES Permit PAS 10S042 Lackawanna County Rail Authority Pennsylvania Bulletin Vol. 26, Number 23, June 8, 1996

Dear Regional Manager,

The above mentioned application for the discharge of storm water by the applicant, and the proposed construction and ultimate discharge of collected storm water from this proposed site by the applicant has caused alarm to the residents and guests of Pocono Manor.

The direct flow of storm water and any subsequent controlled discharges from this site and the proposed intensive industrial applications which are proposed to be staged from this site cause serious concern to Pocono Manor Inn and the residential community of Pocono Manor who are served and have been served by Kettle Springs and it's waters since the early 1900's.

Having recently been nominated to the National Register of Historic Places as an Historic District, Pocono Manor's water source via Kettle Springs is a direct recipient of the waters from this site. The discharge from the construction storm water and the potential for pollutant's from the proposed operations pose potential serious peril for those who have historically depended on the water resource of Kettle Springs.

The present site with it's impervious surface has been the direct contributor to the erosion and scaring of our adjacent property. This flow is spilling into the head water of Indian Run which has it's point of origin on our property and empties into our Kettle Springs.

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Several years ago Kettle Springs tested positive to containing traces of toxins consistent with those discovered on the adjacent property to the site of discussion. It's contamination caused it to be deemed a **Super Fund Clean Up Site** and has been monitored since that time.

This proposed site presently causes serious erosion to the adjoining property which is owned and operated by Ireland Hotels d/b/a Pocono Manor Inn & Golf Resort. The historic facts surrounding the effects of water emitting from this area and site, and it's potential to threaten the water resource and the quality of life of the Community of Pocono Manor causes serious concerns to it's population.

I respectfully request that a public hearing be held and an opportunity be granted to have input from those directly effect by this proposed discharge.

Sincerely,

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