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Dear Ms. Foster:

Recently, the City of Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Environmental Engineering Unit received a Notice of Intent to Remediate (NIR) from your firm, under the provisions of the Pennsylvania Land Recycling and Environmental Remediation Standards Act (Act 2) regarding the property located at **1646 South 51st Street**, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (19143).

Through the Notice of Intent (NIR) provisions of Act 2, the City of Philadelphia hereby requests that you develop a Public Involvement Plan (PIP) for this site. This request is made in accordance with the internal procedures first developed by the City in 2003 for this purpose. These procedures recommend our municipality request a PIP if the project is in close proximity or adjacent to residential, educational (schools/daycare), medical, religious, recreational and park properties. Since this property is in close proximity to residential properties, we are obligated to request a PIP. In addition to the reason above, members of the interdepartmental review team which reviews NIRs submitted to the City have recommended a PIP in this instance.

The venue for this PIP will be an appropriately publicized meeting of interested parties (impacted community and businesses) you will host to discuss this site, to be held at a suitable location and time, allowing interested parties to attend. An approximate 30 days advance notice of the meeting must be provided, during which time all relevant sampling and background investigation material should be made available for public inspection at a suitable location, such as the nearest school or public library.

The meeting would focus on the following:

- Identity, location and concentration of contaminants and hazardous substances found in sampling events at the site;
- Any potential health effects of those contaminants, based on locations and concentrations noted;
- Measures to be taken to protect the community, workers and recreation areas from possible exposure;
- Further definition of the remediation methodology to be employed;
- Discussion of specific procedures, such as dust control, sedimentation, and erosion control.

Following the meeting, all supplemental material, which will include presentation materials, attendance list, and questions and answers will append the material provided earlier, which will be given to PA DEP, with a copy to the City.

Please notify the Department of Public Health in writing of the date, time and location of the public meeting, and the location of the document depository as noted above.

Please note that this PIP request has nothing to do with the perceived value and need of this development for the community and the City. We assume that you have already had several meetings with the community, elected officials, and others on the benefits of this development. This PIP request is specifically concerned with final questions regarding the proposed remediation to be employed on the site in its current condition. Accordingly, your presentation can be geared specifically to the remediation strategy, and the questions noted above.

Should you have any questions, please contact Leigh Anne Rainford of our Department's Environmental Engineering section at 215-685-7497 or at LeighAnne.Rainford@Phila.gov.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frank A. Franklin". The signature is stylized and cursive, with a circular flourish at the end.

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cc: C. David Brown, PA DEP
Dawn Kiesewetter, Director, Environmental Health Services
India McGhee, Deputy City Solicitor, Regulatory Law Unit