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Via Certified Mail and First-Class Mail

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Mr. Richard W. Holsing, President
North American Fencing Corp.
PO Box 217
1005 Freeport Road
Cheswick, PA 15024

Re: Former Keystone Metals Reduction Company Site
Cheswick
Allegheny County
LRP No. 5-2-807-19269

Dear Mr. Holsing:

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Environmental Protection ("Department") is seeking information concerning a release and/or threat of release of hazardous substances, including radiological substances, into the environment from the former Keystone Metals Reduction Company ("KMR") facility, which was located on property owned by North American Fencing Corporation at 1005 Freeport Road, Cheswick, PA ("Site"). This facility was used to produce radium during the 1920s. Sampling conducted by the Department on the Site detected elevated levels of radiation that may be related to KMR's operations.

The Department believes that North American Fencing Corporation ("NAFC") may have information relevant to the release of hazardous substances, including radiological substances, at the Site. Therefore, pursuant to Section 503 of the Pennsylvania Hazardous Sites Cleanup Act ("HSCA"), the Act 108 of October 18, 1988, 35 P.S. § 6020.503, the Department requests that NAFC furnish all the information and documents in its possession, custody or control, or in the possession, custody or control of its officers, employees or agents, which concern, refer to, or relate to hazardous substances, as that term is defined by Section 103 of HSCA, 35 P.S. § 6020.103, which were generated, treated, stored, disposed, transported to, or released at the Site.

Specifically, your response to this request should include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Narrative information and documentation regarding any inquiries, title searches, or other research that NAFC made into the previous ownership and uses of the property located at 1005 Freeport Road, Cheswick, PA, prior to purchasing it. Please provide any information documenting that NAFC made inquiries or performed due diligence consistent with good commercial or customary practice regarding property purchases.

2. Narrative information and documentation regarding NAFC's knowledge of the types and quantities of hazardous substances, including radiological substances, or materials containing hazardous substances which were disposed of, stored, treated, spilled or released into the soil, groundwater or surface water at the Site. Please use specific chemical names rather than generic terms, such as "solvents" or "liquid wastes." Please also describe the manner and the location in which any of the above materials were disposed of, stored, treated, spilled or released into the soil, groundwater or surface waters at the Site.
3. Narrative information and documentation regarding the approximate dates such hazardous substances, including radiological substances, or materials containing hazardous substances, were disposed of, stored, treated, spilled or released at the Site.
4. Narrative information and documentation concerning how such hazardous substances, including radiological substances, or materials containing hazardous substances were treated, transported to, stored or disposed of at the Site.
5. Narrative information and documentation regarding the identity and address of any other person or company which generated, treated, stored, transported or disposed of hazardous substances, including radiological substances, or materials containing hazardous substances at the Site.

As used herein, the term "documents" includes, but is not limited to, writings (handwritten, typed, or otherwise produced or reproduced), any invoices, checks, receipts, bills of lading, weight receipts, toll receipts, correspondence, offers, contracts, agreements, deeds, leases, manifests, licenses, permits, bids, proposals, logs, books of original entry, minutes of meetings, memoranda, notes, calendar or diary entries, agendas, bulletins, notices, announcements, charts, maps, photographs, drawings, manuals, brochures, reports of scientific study or investigations, schedules, price lists, telegrams, teletypes, phone-records, magnetic voice or video records, tapes, summaries, magnetic tapes, punch cards, recordings, disks, CDs, DVDs, computer printouts, or data compilations from which information can be obtained or translated.

Please be advised that, except as provided in Section 503(h) of the Hazardous Sites Cleanup Act, 35 P.S. § 6020.503(h), records, reports, or other information obtained under the Act may be made available to the public for inspection or copying during regular business hours. The Department may, upon request, designate records, reports or information as confidential, when the person providing such information demonstrates the need for confidentiality pursuant to the requirements under Section 503(h) of the Hazardous Sites Cleanup Act.

The above-requested information should be sent directly to Barbara Gunter, Hazardous Sites Cleanup Program, at the above address, within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter.

This letter, issued under the Department's authority to obtain information, is neither a final action nor an order, and gives you no right of appeal. If you do not provide the requested information, however, the Department has the authority to issue an order against you or to take other appropriate legal action. Any destruction or alteration of the documents requested in this

Mr. Richard W. Holsing, President

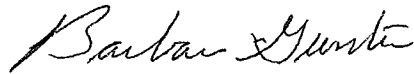
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letter may subject you to criminal penalties under Section 1105(c) of the Hazardous Sites Cleanup Act, 35 P.S. § 6021.1105(c).

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact me at 412 442-4132.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Gunter".

Barbara Gunter
Environmental Group Manager
Hazardous Sites Cleanup

