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and first-class mail-*

December 3, 2018

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**Re: *Former Syosset Landfill Site
Status of Remediation and Monitoring***

Dear Ms. Henry:

As you may know, the South Grove Elementary School is adjacent to the Syosset Landfill site and in close proximity to the former Cerro Wire property. The status of activities and testing at these properties remains of significant interest to the School District, particularly in light of the proposed plans to develop these properties.

The most recent Five-Year Review Report for the Syosset Landfill Superfund Site issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") on February 18, 2017 states that "the [cap] and remedies implemented for the site [are] protective of human health and the environment."¹ The EPA recently advised the School District that nothing at the Site has changed since the issuance of this Report to warrant any concern and that the foregoing statement remains accurate.

The 2017 Annual Post-Closure Summary Report prepared dated June 2018 sent to the EPA concluded that "the implemented remedy at the Syosset Landfill remains protective of public health and the environment" based on the semi-annual cover system, drainage system, and gas venting system inspections performed in 2017.²³ Pursuant to the Report, the next groundwater monitoring event was to be performed in the first quarter of 2018 and incorporated into the 2018 Annual Summary Report.⁴

¹ Fourth Five-Year Review Report for Syosset Landfill Superfund Site, February 2017, at p. 20.

² Syosset Landfill 2017 Annual Post-Closure Summary Report, June 2018, at pgs. 3, 18.

³ "The reports referenced herein were retrieved from the EPA Superfund Home Page for Syosset Landfill (<https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/cursites/csinfo.cfm?id=0201187>)."

⁴ Ibid. at p. 15.

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I would greatly appreciate it if the EPA could provide the School District with the anticipated timeframe for release of the above report, or provide the District with the groundwater sampling results and any changes in status of the cap from your last report. As part of the Syosset Park DEIS process, the District anticipates commenting on independent testing conducted by the Town for these sites in early 2019 and it would be optimal to structure those comments in the context of any other available data about the subject properties.

As always, should any potential concerns arise during the investigation and testing of these sites, I'd ask that you please communicate those concerns to my office immediately.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Thomas Rogers", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Dr. Thomas Rogers
Superintendent of Schools