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**Subject: Monthly Design Progress Report No. 108 – June 2019
Blackburn & Union Privileges Superfund Site
Walpole, MA**

Dear Mr. Fisher:

This Monthly Progress Report is submitted to United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) in compliance with reporting requirements (Section XI, paragraph 31) of the Consent Decree, Civil Action No. 1:10-cv-11263 for the Blackburn & Union Privileges Superfund Site located in Walpole, Massachusetts. This Report covers the period from June 1 - 30, 2019, and is submitted on behalf of the Settling Defendants to the Consent Decree.

Please contact one of the designated Project Coordinators (David Kelley 774.284.2207 or Paul Bucens 617.899.0354) should you have any questions concerning this Report.

Sincerely,

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This Monthly Progress Report is submitted to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) documenting the activities completed during the month of June 2019 at the Blackburn & Union Privileges Superfund Site.

1. Activities that have been taken toward achieving compliance with the Consent Decree (including work plans, plans and other deliverables completed and submitted to USEPA/MassDEP):

- a. At the West of South Street Site, continued restoration and punchlist activities associated with the groundwater remedial action, continued full-time operation of the groundwater treatment system, and continued treatment system optimization activities. Continued preparation of the interim construction completion report.
- b. Continued excavation activities at Lewis Pond for the Sediment and Floodplain Soil Remedial Action. Activities included: excavation and backfill placement in Area 3, operated the construction water treatment system, staging, drying and transport of sediment/soil for off-site disposal, conducted perimeter air monitoring, completed removal of access road to Areas 1 and 2, conducted planting in Areas 1, 2, 2A and the access road.
- c. Conducted a visual (qualitative) inspection of the culvert on June 25, 2019.
- d. Continued preparation of documents in support of institutional controls for the East of South Street parcels.
- e. Conducted post-restoration vegetative monitoring inspections of the restored wetland areas at the Former Mill Tailrace and East of South Street (at the base of the SB14/15 Area)

2. Summary of results of sampling, tests and all other data received or generated:

- a. None this reporting period.

3. Activities planned for the next month and schedule update:

- a. Planned activities associated with the Groundwater and Surface Water remedy, West of South Street include completion of site restoration activities (including seeding and fencing), continue full-time operation of the groundwater treatment system, and continue preparation of the interim construction completion report.
- b. Planned activities associated with the Lewis Pond Sediment and Floodplain Soil Remedial Action include: continue excavation and off-site disposal of material located in Area 3, placement of backfill in Area 3, operate (as needed) the temporary construction water treatment system, complete plantings in Areas 1, 2, 2A, and 3, continue perimeter air monitoring, and continue conducting weekly construction progress meetings with USEPA/MassDEP. Demobilization of equipment and materials not needed for completion of the work will commence.
- c. Continue preparation of documents in support of institutional controls for the East of South Street parcels.

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- d. Continue to prepare reports to document the post-restoration monitoring inspections of the restored wetland areas at the Former Mill Tailrace and East of South Street (at the base of the SB14/15 Area).
 - e. Prepare a report to document the June 25, 2019 visual (qualitative) inspection of the culvert.
- 4. Delays encountered or anticipated that may affect the future schedule for implementation of the work and associated mitigation efforts:**
- a. None this reporting period.
- 5. Work plan or schedule modifications proposed to USEPA or approved by USEPA:**
- a. None this reporting period.
- 6. Activities undertaken in support of the Community Relations Plan during the previous month and planned for the following month:**
- a. The Settling Defendants will continue to support USEPA in its communications with the local residents and other stakeholders relative to remedial action implementation. This includes providing updates on the work at the West of South Street Site and at the Lewis Pond Site.
 - b. Support USEPA in its planned Region I, July 15, celebration at Walpole of the 20th anniversary of the Superfund Redevelopment Initiative.