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Commissioner Gina McCarthy
Department of Environmental Protection
79 Elm Street
Hartford, CT 06106-5127

Re: Hamden, Connecticut – Order No. SRD-128

Dear Commissioner McCarthy:

Olin Corporation has provided to the CTDEP several property access updates highlighting the time and the issues involved in obtaining property access agreements. We are now seeking your assistance to complete the supplemental investigation required under the Consent Order.

Order No. SRD-128 Section B.18. states that "If any portion of the Site, or any other property where access is needed to implement this consent order, is owned or controlled by persons other than any of the Respondents, such Respondent needing such access shall use best efforts to secure access to the Site from such persons for such Respondent and the State. If the respondent is unable to secure such access after use of best efforts, the Commissioner shall use his authority to compel access fro such Respondent and for the State."

Olin has demonstrated best efforts by the following activities. Olin has made numerous phone calls to the holdouts, at least 10 per property owner, and left messages including a toll free number to call (see attached). Olin has visited the properties several times (noted on spreadsheet), left business cards & access agreements. Olin has mailed first class letters and sent certified letters. These letters were returned to Olin after the post office attempted to deliver 3 times.

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Although the situation is fluid, Olin has to date obtained access to 287 out of 303 properties. Four (4) property owners have refused access.

As we have communicated to the CTDEP, Olin has had to make changes to the supplemental investigation schedule principally involving the completion of the groundwater monitoring well system and all subsequent tasks which are contingent upon the completion of the well system. The delay to the study schedule is largely the result of difficulty in obtaining access to certain private properties, primarily for installation and sampling of groundwater monitoring wells and secondarily, characterization of the fill perimeter.

If you desire to discuss this issue further, I am available to meet with you at your convenience. I look forward in the future to meeting you and discussing this entire project.

Sincerely,

OLIN CORPORATION

Curt M Richards

Attachment

CC: E. Patton – CTDEP – via email
J. Stahl – CTDEP – via email
R. Horn - Olin

HAMDEN ACCESS AGREEMENTS

Address	FirstName	LastName	Mailing Address	Mailing City/State	Phone Number	Certified Letter/Correspondence	Telephone Calls	Comment
160-162 Shepard St.	Shequila	Little		Hamden CT 06517		Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed		7/12, 13, 8/30, 31, 9/1, 2, 11/9 & 10 visited property, left business card & agreement
163 Shepard St.	Bernard J.	Smith		Hamden CT 06517	203-624-9090	Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed	6/4, 5, 16, 17, 23 & 7/6, 8,10, 28 & 8/12, 20, 25; 9/10, 11; 10/15;11/9, 10, 15	7/12, 13, 8/30, 31, 9/1, 2, 11/9 & 10 visited property, left business card & agreement
17 Harris St.	Linda & Mark	Schultz		Hamden CT 06517	203-787-2886	Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed	6/4, 5, 16, 17, 23 & 7/6, 8,10, 28 & 8/12, 20, 25; 9/10, 11; 10/15;11/9, 10, 15	7/12, 13, 8/30, 31, 9/1, 2, 11/9 & 10 visited property, left business card & agreement
214 Morse St.	Norman	Thomas, Jr.		Hamden CT 06517	203-776-3698	Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed	6/4, 5, 16, 17, 23 & 7/6, 8,10, 28 & 8/12, 20, 25; 9/10, 11; 10/15;11/9, 10, 15	7/12, 13, 8/30, 31, 9/1, 2, 11/9 & 10 visited property, left business card & agreement
230 Butler St.	Janet	Dawson	Apple Management 3000 Whitney Ave.	New Haven CT 06518	203-407-1738	Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed	6/4, 5, 16, 17, 23 & 7/6, 8,10, 28 & 8/12, 20, 25; 9/10, 11; 10/15;11/9, 10, 15	7/12, 13, 8/30, 31, 9/1, 2, 11/9 & 10 visited property, left business card & agreement
253 Goodrich St.	Minnie F.	Jenkins		Hamden CT 06517	203-624-0710	Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed	6/4, 5, 16, 17, 23 & 7/6, 8,10, 28 & 8/12, 20, 25; 9/10, 11; 10/15;11/9, 10, 15	7/12, 13, 8/30, 31, 9/1, 2, 11/9 & 10 visited property, left business card & agreement
29 Marlboro St.	Carolyn Bond	Wyndham		Hamden CT 06518		Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed		7/12, 13, 8/30, 31, 9/1, 2, 11/9 & 10 visited property, left business card & agreement
33 Marlboro St.	Ruby L.	Moore		Hamden CT 06517	203-865-6570	Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed	6/4, 5, 16, 17, 23 & 7/6, 8,10, 28 & 8/12, 20, 25	7/12, 13 visited property, left business card & agreement, owner refused access 8/30
339 Augur St.	Lisa	Vecchitto		Hamden CT 06514	203-639-1620	Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed	6/4, 5, 16, 17, 23 & 7/6, 8,10, 28 & 8/12, 20, 25; 9/10, 11; 10/15;11/9, 10, 15	7/12, 13, 8/30, 31, 9/1, 2, 11/9 & 10 visited property, left business card & agreement
34 Marlboro St.	Dorothy	Little		Hamden CT 06514		Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed		7/12, 13, 8/30, 31, 9/1, 2, 11/9 & 10 visited property, left business card & agreement
478-480 Shelton Ave.	Norman D.	Williams		Hamden CT 06517		Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed		7/12, 13 visited property, left business card & agreement, owner refused access 8/30
48 Edwards St.	John	Kotos III	97 Moose Hill Road	Oxford CT 06478		Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed		7/12, 13 visited property, left business card & agreement, owner refused access 9/1
50-52 Edwards St.	Benjamin	Poku	PO Box 9601	New Haven CT 06535		Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed		7/12, 13 visited property, left business card & agreement, owner refused access 9/1
610 Newhall St.	Gwendolyn L.	Coppage		Hamden CT 06517	203-562-8121	Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed	6/4, 5, 16, 17, 23 & 7/6, 8,10, 28 & 8/12, 20, 25	7/12, 13, 8/30, 31, 9/1, 2, 11/9 & 10 visited property, left business card & agreement
79 Marlboro St.	Anthony & Marie	Ferro	42 Midwood Court	Hamden CT 06518	203-248-2982	Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed	6/4, 5, 16, 17, 23 & 7/6, 8,10, 28 & 8/12, 20, 25; 9/10, 11; 10/15;11/9, 10, 15	7/12, 13, 8/30, 31, 9/1, 2, 11/9 & 10 visited property, left business card & agreement
9 Remington St	Lucius	Wright	3925 Oak Hill Drive	Jackson MS 39206	601-362-0491	Access letter mailed 4/6/04, certified letters mailed 5/13 & 6/12, certified letters returned unclaimed	6/4, 5, 16, 17, 23 & 7/6, 8,10, 28 & 8/12, 20, 25	7/12, 13, 8/30, 31, 9/1, 2, 11/9 & 10 visited property, left business card & agreement

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