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Igor Runge
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Dear Mr. Runge:

I am writing this letter to summarize the issues discussed at the pre-application meeting held on December 20, 2016 at the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (DEM). An attendance sheet is attached with this letter.

The purpose of the meeting was to review permitting issues for proposed improvements to the National Grid Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) facility located in Providence, Rhode Island. Issues discussed at the meeting included:

- The proposed project consists of the construction of a 17,500 square foot asphalt pad for the operation of a soil management area associated with the auguring of foundation piles for the future construction of a bund wall to surround the existing LNG storage tank. It was noted that this project is not associated with the proposed liquefaction project under the authority of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). (It was suggested that if the soil management pad may be used for the liquefaction project, it should be included in the Environmental Assessment (EA) being prepared for that project.)
- The site is covered by an Environmental Land Use Restriction (ELUR). Management of the contaminated soils generated by the auguring operation will require the filing of a Short Term Response Action Plan (STRAP) with the DEM Office of Waste Management (OWM). It was noted that this project and the proposed Bund Wall project, will be included in the Public Involvement Plan (PIP) currently under development, unless National Grid decides to include these projects in the liquefaction project, which is outside the jurisdiction of the OWM. It is the DEM's understanding that National Grid is evaluating the inclusion of these project in the liquefaction project under FERC regulation and will contact DEM once a final determination is made.
- The project will include the design and construction of a sediment forebay and perimeter sand filter for stormwater management. DEM indicated that the



submission of an application for a Groundwater Discharge will be required for this aspect of the project.

- Dewatering from the contaminated soils will be directed to a suitable number of frac tanks with discharge to a Cultech infiltration unit. The Department indicated that an application for an Underground Injection Control (UIC) Permit will be required for this portion of the project.

This concludes RIDEM's comments regarding this meeting. I hope that they are of assistance to you. To facilitate review of your application, please include a copy of this letter with your application submittal. This letter does not relieve the property owner from his/her obligation to obtain any local, state, or federal approvals or permits required by ordinance or law.

If you have any questions concerning this meeting or the permitting process, please contact me at (401) 222-6822, extension 7500.

Sincerely,



Ronald N. Gagnon, P.E., Chief
Office of Technical and Customer Assistance

cc: Meeting attendees
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MEETING ATTENDANCE RECORD

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Location: _____

Date: 12/20/2016

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