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CONDITIONAL APPROVAL

April 21, 2021
David LaBelle
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RE: Chapel Street Former MGP (Site) 347 Chapel Street, New Haven Consent Order # SRD-231

Dear Mr. LaBelle:

The Remediation Division of the Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse has reviewed the report entitled, "OU-A Investigation Report," dated March 2020, prepared for The Southern Connecticut Gas Company by Haley & Aldrich, Inc. and received on March 31, 2020. The OU-A Investigation Report was submitted pursuant to the Scope and Schedule that was approved on December 4, 2017 under Section B.2.e(1) of Consent Order SRD-231 with the Southern Connecticut Gas Company (executed on January 5, 2018).

The OU-A Investigation Report summarizes the findings of a previously approved investigation work plan to characterize the nature and extent of contamination related to operation of the former Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) at the site along the waterfront and to characterize MGP pollution to sediments in the Mill River attributable to Site activities.

The OU-A Investigation Report is hereby approved with the following conditions that are contained in the attachment to this Conditional Approval titled "Supplement to the Conditional Approval of the OU-A Investigation Report."

Within 90 days of receipt of this Conditional Approval, pursuant to Section B.2.d of Consent Order SRD-231, please submit a schedule for the completion of the supplemental investigation activities requested for the OU-A component as identified in the attachment to this Conditional Approval.

Nothing in this conditional approval shall affect the Commissioner's Authority to institute any proceeding, or take any other action to prevent or abate pollution, to recover costs and natural resource damages, and to impose penalties for violations of law including but not limited to violations of any permit issued by the Commissioner. If at any time the Commissioner determines that the approved actions have not fully characterized the extent and degree of pollution, the Commissioner may institute any proceeding, or take any action to require further investigation. This conditional approval relates only to pollution or contamination identified in the above referenced OU-A Investigation Report.

In addition, nothing in this determination shall relieve any person of his or her obligations under applicable federal, state and local law.

No provision of this approval and no action or inaction by the Commissioner shall be construed to constitute an assurance by the Commissioner that the actions taken pursuant to this approval will result in compliance or prevent or abate pollution.

If you have any questions pertaining to this matter, please contact John Duff of my staff at (860) 424-3665 or by email at john.duff@ct.gov.

Sincerely,

Jan M. Czeczotka

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Director

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