



## APPROVAL

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RE: Chapel Street Former MGP (Site)  
347 Chapel Street, New Haven  
Consent Order # SRD-231  
Ecological Risk Assessment

Dear Mr. Reynolds:

The Remediation Division of the Department of Energy & Environmental Protection Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse (DEEP) has reviewed the report entitled, "OU-A Supplemental Scope of Study," dated June 2021, specifically the section containing the Ecological Risk Assessment proposed for the Mill River, referred to hereafter as the "SSOS". The SSOS was prepared for The Southern Connecticut Gas Company (SCG) by Haley & Aldrich, Inc. and received by DEEP on July 12, 2021. The SSOS was subsequently revised with modifications and received by DEEP on August 2, 2023. The SSOS was submitted pursuant to DEEP's April 21, 2021, Conditional Approval of the OU-A Investigation Report submitted in accordance with Section B.2.e(1) of Consent Order SRD-231 with SCG (executed on January 5, 2018).

The SSOS provides a framework for a supplemental investigation to evaluate ecological risk at the outer edge of identified coal tar impacts and to evaluate potential risks outside of that area. The scope of work identifies the approximate proposed sampling locations along with applicable field and laboratory methods.

The SSOS is hereby Approved.

The next deliverable due from SCG is a report documenting the results of the investigation described in the SSOS. The aforementioned report must be submitted to the CTDEEP within 20 months of this approval.

Nothing in this 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 SSOS.

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](mailto:john.duff@ct.gov).

Sincerely,



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