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Ashland, Inc.
c/o Mr. Michael Dever
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Subject: Voluntary Remediation Program Semi-Annual Progress Report # 9 – January 31, 2017
Tara Shopping Center, HSI Site No. 10798
8564 Tara Boulevard, Jonesboro, Georgia (Clayton County)
Tax Parcel ID 13242D B001

Dear Mr. Dever:

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has reviewed the above referenced document which has been submitted for the Tara Shopping Center site. In addition, the information discussed in our call on February 15, 2017 has also been considered.

At this time EPD has no comments on this document and appreciates the diligent efforts that continue to be undertaken to get Uniform Environmental Covenants in place to address the completion of the work at the site.

As discussed in our call, the 5-year target for completing the necessary corrective action work in the VRP program is approaching. EPD is open to extending the compliance timeframe for the site property beyond June 2017 by the development of a VRP Consent Order, which would allow for the additional time to complete the monitoring activities and planned remedial strategy for the site property. A copy of EPD's VRP Consent Order template was forwarded to all parties subsequent to our call last week.

Please continue to submit Semi-Annual VRP Progress Reports as described in the VRP. EPD anticipates receipt of the next Semi-Annual VRP Progress Report and/or a Compliance Status Report by June 14, 2017. If you have any questions, please contact Robin Futch P.G. of the Response and Remediation Program at (404) 656-3851.

Sincerely,

Kevin Collins
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c: Eric Nathan, Tara Retail Holdings, Inc. (via email)
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