

Declaration of Environmental Land Use Restriction and Grant of Easement
[Address/Location], [Town or City], Connecticut

After Recording Return to:

Environmental Land Use Restriction Coordinator
State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection
Remediation Division
Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse
79 Elm Street
Hartford, CT 06106

DECLARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL LAND USE RESTRICTION
AND GRANT OF EASEMENT

This Declaration of environmental land use restriction and Grant of Easement is made this _____ day of _____, _____, between [Grantor's Name] (the "Grantor") and the Commissioner of Environmental Protection of the State of Connecticut (the "Grantee").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Grantor is the owner in fee simple of certain real property (the "Property") known as [Address/Location], located in [Town or City], in [Name of County] County designated as [Map # / Block # / Lot #] on the tax map of [Town or City], in [Name of County] County, more particularly described on Exhibit A which is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the Grantee has determined that the environmental land use restriction set forth below is consistent with regulations adopted by him pursuant to Section 22a-133k of the Connecticut General Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Grantee has determined that this Environmental land use restriction will effectively protect public health and the environment from the hazards of pollution; and

WHEREAS, the Grantee's written approval of this environmental land use restriction is contained in the document attached hereto as Exhibit B (the "Decision Document") which is made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the property or portion thereof identified in the class A-2 survey (the "Subject Area") which survey is attached hereto as Exhibit C which is made a part hereof, contains pollutants; and

WHEREAS, to prevent exposure to or migration of such pollutants and to abate hazards to human health and the environment, and in accordance with the Decision Document, the Grantor desires to impose certain restrictions upon the use, occupancy, and activities of and at the Subject Area, and to grant this environmental land use restriction to the Grantee on the terms and conditions set forth below; and

WHEREAS, Grantor intends that such restrictions shall run with the land and be binding upon and enforceable against Grantor and Grantor's successors and assigns;

NOW, THEREFORE, Grantor agrees as follows:

1. Purpose. In accordance with the Decision Document, the purpose of this Environmental land use restriction is to assure [INSERT THE APPLICABLE LANGUAGE FROM THE EXAMPLE DECLARATION PARAGRAPHS].

2. Restrictions Applicable to the Subject Area. In furtherance of the purposes of this environmental land use restriction, Grantor shall assure that use, occupancy, and activity of and at the Subject Area are restricted as follows:

A. [INSERT THE APPLICABLE LANGUAGE FROM THE EXAMPLE DECLARATION PARAGRAPHS]

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3. Except as provided in Paragraph 4 below, no action shall be taken, allowed, suffered, or omitted if such action or omission is reasonably likely to:

- i. Create a risk of migration of pollutants or a potential hazard to human health or the environment; or
- ii. Result in a disturbance of the structural integrity of any engineering controls designed or utilized at the Property to contain pollutants or limit human exposure to pollutants.

4. Emergencies. In the event of an emergency which presents a significant risk to human health or the environment, the application of Paragraph 3 above may be suspended, provided such risk cannot be abated without suspending such Paragraph and the Grantor:

- i. Immediately notifies the Grantee of the emergency;
- ii. Limits both the extent and duration of the suspension to the minimum reasonably necessary to adequately respond to the emergency;
- iii. Implements all measures necessary to limit actual and potential present and future risk to human health and the environment resulting from such suspension; and
- iv. Implements a plan approved in writing by the Grantee, on a schedule approved by the Grantee, to ensure that the Subject Area is remediated in accordance with R.C.S.A. sections 22a-133k-1 through 22a-133k-3, inclusive, or restored to its condition prior to such emergency.

5. Release of Restriction; Alterations of Subject Area. Grantor shall not make, or allow or suffer to be made, any alteration of any kind in, to, or about any portion of any of the Subject Area inconsistent with this Environmental land use restriction unless the Grantor has first recorded the Grantee's written approval of such alteration upon the land records of [name of municipality where Subject Area is located]. The Grantee shall not approve any such alteration and shall not release the Property from the provisions of this environmental land use restriction unless the Grantor demonstrates to the Grantee's satisfaction that Grantor has remediated the Subject Area in accordance with R.C.S.A. sections 22a-133k-1 through 22a-133k-3, inclusive.

6. Grant of Easement to the Grantee. Grantor hereby grants and conveys to the Grantee, his agents, contractors, and employees, and to any person performing pollution remediation activities under the direction thereof, a non-exclusive easement (the "Easement") over the Subject Area and over such other parts of the Property as are necessary for access to the Subject Area or for carrying out any actions to abate a threat to human health or the environment associated with the Subject Area. Pursuant to this Easement, the Grantee, his agents, contractors, and employees, and any person performing pollution remediation activities under the direction thereof, may enter upon and inspect the Property and perform such investigations and actions as the Grantee deems necessary for any one or more of the following purposes:

- i. Ensuring that use, occupancy, and activities of and at the Property are consistent with this environmental land use restriction;
- ii. Ensuring that any remediation implemented complies with R.C.S.A. sections 22a-133k-1 through 22a-133k-3, inclusive;
- iii. Performing any additional investigations or remediation necessary to protect human health and the environment;
- [iv. Ensuring the structural integrity of any engineering controls described in this environmental land use restriction and grant of easement and their continuing effectiveness in containing pollutants and limiting human exposure to pollutants.]

7. Notice and Time of Entry onto Property. Entry onto the Property by the Grantee pursuant to this Easement shall be upon reasonable notice and at reasonable times, provided that entry shall not be

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subject to these limitations if the Grantee determines that immediate entry is necessary to protect human health or the environment.

8. Notice to Lessees and Other Holders of Interests in the Property. Grantor, or any future holder of any interest in the property, shall cause any lease, grant, or other transfer of any interest in the Property to include a provision expressly requiring the lessee, grantee, or transferee to comply with this environmental land use restriction and Grant of Easement. The failure to include such provision shall not affect the validity or applicability to the Property of this environmental land use restriction and Grant of Easement.

9. Persons Entitled to Enforce Restrictions. The restrictions in this environmental land use restriction on use, occupancy, and activity of and at the Property shall be enforceable in accordance with section 22a-133p of the General Statutes.

10. Severability and Termination. If any court of competent jurisdiction determines that any provision of this environmental land use restriction or Grant of Easement is invalid or unenforceable, such provision shall be deemed to have been modified automatically to conform to the requirements for validity and enforceability as determined by such court. In the event that the provision invalidated is of such nature that it cannot be so modified, the provision shall be deemed deleted from this instrument as though it had never been included herein. In either case, the remaining provisions of this instrument shall remain in full force and effect. Further, in either case, the Grantor shall submit a copy of this restriction and of the judgement of the Court to the Grantee in accordance with R.C.S.A. section 22a-133q-1(l). This environmental land use restriction shall be terminated if the Grantee provides notification pursuant to R.C.S.A. section 22a-133q-1(l).

11. Binding Effect. All of the terms, covenants and conditions of this environmental land use restriction and grant of easement shall run with the land and shall be binding on the Grantor, the Grantor's successors and assigns, and each owner and any other party entitled to possession or use of the Property during such period of ownership or possession.

12. Terms Used Herein. The definitions of terms used herein shall be the same as the definitions contained in sections 22a-133k-1 and 22a-133q-1 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies as such sections existed on the date of execution of this environmental land use restriction.

[Signature Page Follows]

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GRANTEE: Grantee, the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, by her duly designated agent, Betsey Wingfield, Bureau Chief, Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse.

Date

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