



APPROVAL

September 25, 2014

Mr. Kenneth L. Money, President
Exide Group Incorporated
1213 Culbreth Drive
Wilmington, NC 28405

RE: Project Operations and Maintenance Plan
Remediation of Lead Impacted River Sediments, Mill River Study Areas I to V
Former Exide Battery Facility, 2190 Boston Post Road, Fairfield
Consent Order No. SRD-193

Dear Mr. Money:

The Remediation Division of the Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse of the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (the Department) has reviewed the report titled *Project Operations and Maintenance Plan, Remediation of Lead Impacted River Sediments, Mill River Study Areas I to V, The Former Exide Battery Facility Project, 2190 Post Road, Fairfield, Connecticut*, dated August 21, 2014 and the letter regarding Amendment No. 1 to Project Operations and Maintenance Plan, dated September 23, 2014 (herein collectively referred to as the POMP). The POMP was prepared on behalf of Exide Group Incorporated (Exide) by TRC Environmental Corporation for the Exide Facility located at 2190 Boston Post Road, Fairfield (Site) and pursuant to Consent Order No. SRD-193.

The POMP provides operation and maintenance details for the implementation of the Sediment Remedial Action Plan dated July 2013 and approved by the Department on October 3, 2013. Specifically, the POMP includes details on hydraulic cutterhead dredging to remove lead-impacted sediment within Study Areas I-V of the Mill River, dredged sediment dewatering process, treatment and discharge of filtrate water from the dewatering process, proper management and disposal of the sediment, and monitoring during the remediation activities.

The POMP is hereby approved.

Nothing in this approval shall affect the Commissioner's authority to institute any proceeding, or take any action to prevent or abate pollution, to recover costs and natural resource damages, and to impose penalties for violations of law. If at any time the Commissioner determines that the approved actions have not successfully abated or prevented pollution, the Commissioner may institute any proceeding, or take any action to require further investigation or further action to prevent or abate pollution. This approval relates only to pollution or contamination identified in the above referenced proposal. In addition, nothing in this approval 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 Carolyn Fusaro of my staff at (860) 424-4105.

Sincerely,



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