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Mr. Christopher Korleski
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RE: COUNTYWIDE LANDFILL

Dear Mr. Korleski:

Thank you for taking the time to discuss Countywide with me yesterday. I understand that you are busy and appreciate the opportunity to discuss these important issues with you personally. I know that we covered a lot of ground, but I wanted to follow up on one particular topic that we discussed. I believe that technical discussions among the parties is integral to development of a final resolution for the issues at Countywide. You explained that you are willing to consider participating in and possibly facilitating such meeting and asked that I provide you with my thoughts on who I believe should participate in such a meeting and who would represent Countywide at such a meeting.

In light of the potentially different perspectives and regulatory authority over the site, I believe it is important that representatives from U.S. EPA, Ohio EPA, William Franks, and Countywide meet and discuss potential remedial alternatives for the site. I suggest that Mike Cordesman, Clarke Lundell, Michael Beaudoin, and I would participate representing Countywide. I recommend a smaller group so that technical discussions can proceed and the parties can work together toward developing a course of action designed to address the issues at the site to all parties satisfaction. To the extent that the parties can agree on a concept going forward, specific details will be much easier to address along the way because all parties will be in agreement on where things stand and how they are expected to progress.

Thank you again for your attention to this matter. As I explained, I am confident that technical discussions that include an open dialogue can advance our mutual interests.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Republic Services, Inc.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James E. O'Connor". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

James E. O'Connor
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer