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CONDITIONAL APPROVAL OF SOIL SCREENING WORKPLAN, NORTHEAST CORNER, ASCON LANDFILL SITE, 21641 MAGNOLIA STREET, HUNTINGTON BEACH (SITE CODE: 400007)

Dear Ms. Zeier:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) reviewed the Soil Screening Workplan – Northeast Corner (Workplan), prepared by Project Navigator, Ltd., dated and received electronically on October 22, 2019 for the Ascon landfill site (Site). The Workplan was prepared pursuant to discussion with DTSC on October 17, 2019. The Workplan describes activities to assess the soil that needs excavation on the northeast corner, to allow fence installation around the Site.

At a June 6, 2019 public meeting, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) announced its decision to suspend the Ascon Landfill Site (Site) cleanup until enhanced safeguards are implemented. Subsequently, DTSC issued a letter to Project Navigator Ltd. on June 12, 2019, which specified the safeguards for public health and safety enhancement (attached). These safeguards include Project Navigator, Ltd. implementing measures to address odors emanating from the Site into Edison High School, across the street from the Site, and into the nearby community. Item 2 of the safeguards calls for installation of 16-foot tall fence around the site perimeter along Hamilton Avenue and Magnolia Street. In preparation of the fence installation, approximately 100 cubic yards of soil needs to be excavated at the northeast corner of the Site.

The Workplan proposed 19 boring locations in the planned excavation area, where hand auger will be used to investigate the soil to street grade elevation, and 10 of which

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will be sampled for offsite laboratory testing. Odor will be assessed during hand auger advancement.

DTSC hereby approves the Workplan, provided that the Report includes sections of data evaluation and recommendation on how the excavation will be conducted based on assessment results. Work notice should be provided to the community prior to filed work. Please notify DTSC a minimum of 48 hours in advance of field work or schedule changes.

If you have any questions regarding this project, please contact Xihong Scarlett Zhai, Project Manager, at (714) 484-5316 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:Xihong.Zhai@dtsc.ca.gov">Xihong.Zhai@dtsc.ca.gov</a>, or contact me at (714) 484-5368 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:Shahir.Haddad@dtsc.ca.gov">Shahir.Haddad@dtsc.ca.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

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