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RE: FORMER GOLDEN ALUMINUM EXTRUSION
OHD 004 168 837, TRUMBULL COUNTY
CESSATION OF REGULATED OPERATIONS

Dean Gearhart
Gearmar Properties, Inc
P.O. Box 209
Portersville, PA 16051

Dear Mr. Gearhart:

On June 24, 2009, Ohio EPA, represented by Edward D'Amato, conducted a Cessation of Regulated Operations (CRO) inspection at the former Golden Aluminum Extrusion (GAE) plant at 1000 University Drive, in Niles, Ohio. Bill Marsteller represented Gearmar Properties during the inspection.

On August 6, 2008, GAE notified Ohio EPA that it had ceased operations on June 6, 2008. The company submitted its 90-day final form on September 19, 2008. On October 3, 2008, Ohio EPA inspected the facility and determined that not all regulated materials had been removed.

Gearmar Properties purchased the property from GAE on October 6, 2008, and on December 19, 2008 requested an extension until June 5, 2009 to complete CRO removal activities.

During the June 24, 2009 inspection, it was noted that the last item Gearmar Properties had to address was the removal of paint waste from the trenches in the former GAE's paint mixing area. On August 28, 2009, Dean Gearhart submitted photographs (via e-mail) showing that the trenches had been cleaned.

Based upon the results of the inspection and the documentation submitted, Ohio EPA has determined that Gearmar Properties has fulfilled its obligations under the CRO program. Enclosed is a copy of the inspection checklist.

Failure to list specific deficiencies or violations in this communication does not relieve Gearmar Properties from the responsibility of complying with all applicable Ohio EPA laws and regulations. Please be advised that present or past instances of non-compliance can continue as subjects of pending or future enforcement actions.

Please feel free to contact me at (330) 963-1170 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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