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January 5, 2012

The Honorable Thomas A. Bedell
Circuit Judge of Harrison County
301 West Main Street, Room 321
Clarksburg, West Virginia 26301

Re: **The Perrine DuPont Settlement - Proposed Addendum to Claims Office Lease;
Our File No. 4609-1 {Q} and 4609-1 {R}**

Dear Judge Bedell:

I hope this letter finds the Court well. Please consider this Report on this matter to replace our prior report to the Court dated November 23, 2011.

As the Court will recall, on January 31, 2011, the Settlement entered into the enclosed one-year Claims Office Lease with the Spelter, West Virginia Volunteer Fire Department (the "Fire Station"). Subsequently, the Settlement, with Court approval, increased the monthly Claims Office Lease rent from \$500 to \$700, due to unanticipated additional Fire Station utility costs, as reflected in the Court-approved budget for September 1, 2011 through August 31, 2012. The budget commencing September 1, 2011, also allows for Claimant file storage expenses at a monthly cost of up to \$300. Beginning September 1, 2011, we began to store Claimant files in additional space at the Fire Station, as explained in the attached proposed Lease Addendum.

Effective September 1, 2011, at which time we have begun to store files in this additional space, we began paying the Fire Station \$1,000 per month in rent for the lease space and for file storage, which has continued for October, November, December and January.

The Settlement also requires a small amount of additional space to store property sampling equipment, and we have negotiated with the Fire Station a charge of \$100 per month, with the property sampling program commencing on November 1, 2011, as of which time this additional

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payment has commenced, with this amount only being charged to the Perrine DuPont Remediation Qualified Settlement Fund.

The enclosed proposed Lease Addendum would memorialize (i) the above rent increase from \$500 to \$700; (ii) the above \$300 per month for Claimant file storage effective on September 1, 2011; and (iii) approve the above additional \$100 rent increase for property sampling equipment, effective November 1, 2011, with this \$100 only being charged to the Perrine DuPont Remediation Qualified Settlement Fund.

The enclosed proposed Lease Addendum also (i) would extend the term of the Lease for one year, to expire January 31, 2013, while clarifying that the rent will not be increased further without prior approval of the Court after the Settling Parties are allowed to be heard; (ii) would add a quiet enjoyment and cleanliness of leased premises clause, clarifying some of the Fire Station's duties; and (iii) would be signed by Mr. Jimmy Blake, for the Fire Station, as its new President.

We have shared the enclosed proposed Lease Addendum with the Finance Committee and have taken into account its proposed edits.

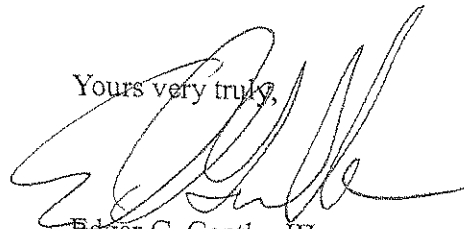
Based upon the foregoing, please consider this letter to respectfully request that the Court give favorable consideration to the enclosed proposed Claims Office Lease Addendum for the Perrine DuPont Settlement Claims Office Lease.

We have taken the liberty of preparing an approval Order for the Court's consideration, enclosed.

Thank you for the Court's consideration and for the opportunity to serve as Claims Administrator in this Settlement.

Respectfully submitted,

Yours very truly,



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Claims Administrator

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