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April 30, 2007

VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL AND ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Appeals Board (MC1103B) Attn: Eurika Durr, Clerk of the Board Ariel Rios Building 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20460-0001

Re: Status Report

Wyman Gordon Co. NPDES Appeal No. 06-14

NPDES Permit No. MA0004341

Dear Ms. Durr:

In connection with the above-referenced permit appeal, please find enclosed for docketing and review by the EPA Environmental Appeals Board an originally executed copy of EPA-Region 1's Status Report and Certificate of Service. In lieu of five additional paper copies, electronic copies of each document have been posted to the CDX system.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 617-918-1095.

Sincerely,

Sámir Bukhari

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Enclosures

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Recipients Listed on Enclosed Certificate of Service

BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C.

In the Matter of:	_))		
Wyman Gordon Co.)	NPDES Appeal No. 06-	-14
NPDES Permit No. MA0004341) .))		

STATUS REPORT

As directed by the Environmental Appeals Board ("Board") in its Order Granting Request for a Continued Stay of Proceedings (February 7, 2007), Region 1 of the Environmental Protection Agency ("Region") and Wyman Gordon Co. ("Petitioner") respectfully submit this status report on the progress of settlement negotiations in the above-captioned matter.

The Region and Petitioner continue their efforts to resolve this matter through negotiation. The Region met with Petitioner's legal counsel and technical staff on March 15, 2007. Based on these discussions, the Region prepared a detailed description of alternative permitting scenarios that could potentially alleviate Petitioner's concerns with the existing permit. The Region requested that Petitioner explore the feasibility of these potential alternative scenarios in light of the specific circumstances of its facility and existing storm water controls. Petitioner is in the process of conducting such an evaluation. To that end, Petitioner has proposed that the Region visit the facility to better assess the specific challenges and opportunities for improved storm water controls in the field, as well as the historic release and

remediation issues at the site, including the installation and operation of Petitioner's runoff management facility. The Region agrees that such a site visit will be useful, and a meeting is in the process of being scheduled. Without minimizing the considerable technical challenges involved in this matter, both the Region and Petitioner believe an opportunity exists to implement a creative permitting solution that will at once satisfy the interests of both parties and the requirements of the Clean Water Act. The parties, therefore, request that the Board continue the existing stay of the proceedings in this matter. Petitioner has informed the Region of its assent to this status report.

Respectfully submitted,

United States EPA-Region 1

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Samir Bukhari, hereby certify that copies of a Status Report in connection with the above-referenced appeal were sent on this 30th day of April, 2007 to the following persons in the manner described below:

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