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July 22, 2010

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Regional Hearing Clerk (3RC00)
U.S. EPA Region III
1650 Arch Street
Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

Re: Answer to Administrative Complaint

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed please find an original and three (3) copies of Respondent, Borough of Norristown's, Answer to Administrative Complaint, which I am filing on their behalf.

Please file this document, time-stamp the copies and return the copies to me in the self-addressed, stamped envelope which I have provided.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

TODD EISENBERG

TE/kmm Enclosure

Cc: Rodney Travis Carter, Esquire David Forrest

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BEFORE THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III 1650 Arch Street

Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NO. TSCA-03-2019-0130

Borough of Norristown

:

ANSWER TO ADMINISTRATIVE

235 East Airy Street Norristown, PA 19401

COMPLAINT AND REQUEST

: FOR HEARING AND

Respondent

SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE

Municipal Building 235 East Airy Street Norristown, PA 19401

:

Facility

ANSWER TO ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT

AND NOW, comes the Municipality of Norristown, by and through its Solicitor, Friedman, Schuman, Applebaum, Nemeroff & McCaffery, P.C., by Todd Eisenberg, Esquire, and makes

Answer to the Administrative Complaint filed against it, averring in support thereof as follows:

I. FINDINGS OF FACTS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 2. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 3. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 4. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 5. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 6. Denied. Denied that the Borough of Norristown ever owned property at 235 East Street, Norristown, Pennsylvania.

- 7. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 8. Denied.
- 9. Denied. Respondent is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of this averment. Therefore, strict proof thereof is demanded at trial herein.
- 10. Denied. Respondent is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of this averment. Therefore, strict proof thereof is demanded at trial herein.
- 11. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 12. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 13. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.

COUNT I

(Failure to Mark PCB Transformer)

- 14. Respondent's answers set forth above are incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth at length.
- 15. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 16. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 17. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 18. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.

COUNT II

(Failure to Mark PCB Transformer Means of Access)

- 19. Respondent's answers set forth above are incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth at length.
- 20. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 21. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.

- 22. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 23. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 24. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 25. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.

COUNT III

(Combustible Materials Storage)

- 26. Respondent's answers set forth above are incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth at length.
- 27. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 28. Denied. Respondent is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of this averment. Therefore, strict proof thereof is demanded at trial herein.
- 29. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.

COUNT IV - XV

(Failure to Prepare and Maintain PCB Transformer Quarterly Inspection Reports)

- 30. Respondent's answers set forth above are incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth at length.
- 31. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 32. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 33. Denied. Respondent is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of this averment. Therefore, strict proof thereof is demanded at trial herein.
- 34. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.

COUNT XVI – XVIII

(Failure to Develop and Maintain Annual Document Logs)

- 35. Respondent's answers set forth above are incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth at length.
- 36. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.
- 37. Denied. Respondent is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of this averment. Therefore, strict proof thereof is demanded at trial herein.
- 38. Denied as a conclusion of law to which no answer is required.

REQUEST FOR HEARING AND SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE

- 39. Respondent's answers set forth above are incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth at length.
- 40. Respondent hereby requests a hearing before an EPA Administrative Law Judge.
- 41. Respondent hereby requests a settlement conference.

Respectfully submitted,

FRIEDMAN, SCHUMAN, APPLEBAUM NEMEROFF AND MCCAFFERY, P.C.

Todd Eisenberg, Esquire Solicitor to Respondent

Dated: July 21, 2010