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November 15, 2012

Abby Snyder, Regional Director New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Region 9 270 Michigan Avenue Buffalo, New York 14203-2915

Re:

## 1815 Eggert Road, Town of Amherst Environmental Restoration Investigation File No.: 12-20120001

Dear Ms. Sutton:

Recently the County of Erie received a resolution from the Town of Amherst requesting that the County commence a foreclosure proceeding on the property located at 1815 Eggert Road, Amherst, New York. The Town is making such a request in the hopes that the County will obtain temporary incidents of ownership, thus allowing the DEC to enter the property and perform an environmental restoration investigation as per New York State Environmental Conservation Law §56-0508.

By way of background, in the past this property housed both a dry cleaning business as well as a gasoline station; however in recent years the parcel has remained vacant. The County is now researching the steps necessary to aid in this endeavor. Prior to moving forward with obtaining temporary incidents of ownership, the County thought it prudent to learn whether your department would have the necessary staff and resources available to conduct such an investigation at this time. Kindly please provide a response at your earliest convenience.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 858-2222.

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Very truly yours,

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cc: Gregory Sutton, Regional Director

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