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Re: PCB Testing Report

Dear Mr. Mungavin:

We reviewed the July 9, 2021 report entitled "Industrial Hygiene Report for SUNY New Paltz" prepared by Clean Harbors Environmental Services, Inc. The results show that levels of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) in 24 wipe samples representing five buildings were below the established New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) cleanup criterion for surfaces of 1.0 microgram per 100 square centimeters surface area (1.0 mcg/100 cm²). The levels of PCBs in seven air samples from the five buildings were below the NYSDOH re-occupancy criterion of 1.0 microgram per cubic meter of air (mcg/m³).

We agree with recommendations to continue to restrict access to areas of the affected buildings that were encapsulated. The recommendation to reduce the number of wipe and air samples in each of the previously tested locations seems reasonable since the levels of PCBs have consistently remained below the established criteria in both media. We therefore agree that future sampling can be comprised of one wipe and one air sample in each of the previously sampled buildings.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (518) 402-7800 or via email at michael.hughes@health.ny.gov.

Sincerely,

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