



December 21, 2007

Mr. Ed Gortner  
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**Subject: Modification of November 7, 2007 Orders**

Dear Mr. Gortner:

I am in receipt of your letter dated December 18, 2008. The purpose of this letter is to fulfill the requirement for Republic to respond to that letter within three days. Republic agrees that the December 18<sup>th</sup> letter represents the results of our meetings in Columbus over the previous two weeks, and as a result we have no substantive comments on the contents of your letter. In addition, we anticipate modified orders that conform to the December 18<sup>th</sup> letter to be issued in the near future, and are acting and planning accordingly.

In the December 18<sup>th</sup> letter you requested our position regarding certain milestones to be performed after November 7, 2007 and to be included in the modified orders. At this time, Republic believes that it can complete each milestone in accordance with the following schedule:

1. Installation of 37 additional dewatering pumps in EGEWs – by February 15, 2008
2. Construction of EGEW infrastructure associated with the 37 additional dewatering pumps – by February 15, 2008
3. Installation of 2 of the 4 relief wells – by February 29, 2008
4. Installation and testing of new air compressors – by January 31, 2008

In each case these milestone completion dates are provided with the understanding that weather conditions during this period of time are expected to be challenging at best and Republic and its consultants and contractors will make all reasonable efforts to meet these dates. Republic further understands that the modified orders will contain, as stated in the December 18<sup>th</sup> letter, "provisions for in-field adjustments to meet the objectives of the Orders" that would permit some flexibility in the implementation of the requirements that will be in the modified Orders. In addition, based on the discussions during our meetings, it is our expectation that the modified orders will require submittal of a work plan for the relief wells within 7 days of the effective date of the orders, and a work plan for

the continued dewatering enhancements to the EGES within 14 days after the effective date of the orders

If you need any additional information from Republic as you draft the modified orders, please do not hesitate to contact me, Tim Vandersall, or Mike Beaudoin.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Clarke M. Lundell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

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Director of Engineering

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