

April 23, 2012

Pieter N. Roos Executive Director Newport Restoration Foundation 51 Touro Street Newport, RI 02840

RE:

Approval of Deadline Extension to Respond to Public Comments Regarding the Environmental History and Potential Environmental Conditions at Queen Anne Square Intersection of Mill, Thames, Spring and Church Streets, Newport, Rhode Island Case No. 2012-010

Dear Mr. Roos:

On November 9, 2011, the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (the Department) amended the <u>Rules and Regulations for the Investigation and Remediation of Hazardous Material Releases</u>, (the <u>Remediation Regulations</u>). The purpose of these regulations is to create an integrated program requiring reporting, investigation and remediation of contaminated sites in order to eliminate and/or control threats to human health and the environment in an efficient manner.

The Department has received Sage Environmental, Inc.'s (Sage's) request, on behalf of the Doris Duke Monument Foundation (DDMF), and in accordance with Rule 7.07 of the Remediation Regulations, for an extension of the April 19, 2012, deadline for submittal of a written report documenting the results of All Appropriate Inquiries, analysis and the Public Meeting and comment period. The Department hereby grants the requested new deadline of May 3, 2012, no later than 4:00pm, for submittal of the written report.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me by telephone at (401) 222-2797, extension 7109 or by e-mail at joseph.martella@dem.ri.gov.

Sincerely,

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Office of Waste Management

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