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Lawrence H. Wickstrom, Division Chief Ohio Department of Natural Resources 2045 Morse Road, Bldg. C-1 Columbus, Ohio 43229-6693

RE:

PRELIMINARY REPORT ON THE NORTHSTAR 1 CLASS II INJECTION WELL

AND THE SEISMIC EVENTS IN THE YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO, AREA

Dear Mr. Wickstrom:

After having had an opportunity to review ODNR's PRELIMINARY REPORT ON THE NORTHSTAR 1 CLASS II INJECTION WELL AND THE SEISMIC EVENTS IN THE YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO, AREA, the City of Youngstown and its citizens remain concerned about the materials that are in the brine that is shipped from Pennsylvania to Ohio. Information presented during your January 11, 2011 lecture at the Covelli Center indicated that the trucks that carry the brine are labeled and documented. However, concerned citizens have addressed Youngstown City Council on numerous occasions regarding the content of the brine. Most recently, members attending a community meeting of the Youngstown Westside Coalition also expressed their concerns and questions pertaining to brine transport and use. Due to these continuing concerns, we are requesting additional, detailed information regarding the hazardous materials in the brine and what effects they may have on the environment.

Please provide me with any information that you may have, or in the alternative, please provide me with the name of a contact or agency that may have this information.

Thank you for your continued assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Charles P. Sammarone

Mayor