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## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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January 29, 2009

Mr. Edward A. Gerdts Vice President TRC Environmental Corporation 1430 Broadway – 10<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, New York 10018

Re: January 29, 2009 Proposed Implementation Plan Amendment Request – Verification of No Residual Fireproofing: Stairway A Enclosure Floors 17 – 16, 130 Liberty Street, New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Gerdts:

This is to inform you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has completed its review of the January 29, 2009 "Proposed Implementation Plan Amendment Request – Verification of No Residual Fireproofing: Stairway A Enclosure Floors 17 – 16" submitted by TRC Environmental Corporation (TRC) on behalf of the Lower Manhattan Development Corporation for 130 Liberty Street in lower Manhattan.

Based on our review, and in consultation with the New York State Department of Labor (NYSDOL) and the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP), EPA accepts the above-referenced proposed amendment.

EPA's review is not intended as a review and/or acceptance of structural engineering and safety matters or requirements for the protection of worker safety and health or for fire protection and safety at 130 Liberty Street. EPA is relying on the New York City Department of Building's, the U.S. Department of Labor Occupational Safety and Health Administration's and the New York City Fire Department's expertise in these areas, respectively.

EPA will continue to work with our regulatory partners to monitor the 130 Liberty Street activities throughout the execution of the project.

Sincerely,

Pat Evangelista

New York City Response and Recovery Operations

cc: Richard Mendelson, OSHA Christopher Alonge, NYSDOL Krish Radhakrishnan, NYCDEP Robert Iulo, NYCDOB Thomas Kunkel, LMCCC Michael Weinlein, FDNY