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Mr. Nate Nemani  
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Waste Management Division  
77 West Jackson Blvd., LU-9J  
Chicago, IL 60604-3590

**Transmitted via E-mail**

RE: Third Quarter 2012 Progress Report  
Performance-Based Administrative Order on Consent  
RCRA Corrective Action  
Saginaw Nodular Iron, 2100 Veterans Memorial Parkway, Saginaw, MI  
USEPA ID No. MID 041 793 340

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Dear Mr. Nemani:

In accordance with the Performance-Based Administrative Order on Consent (Docket No. RCRA-05-2011-0023) between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 5 (USEPA) and Revitalizing Auto Communities Environmental Response Trust (RACER), please find the attached progress report for the third quarter of 2012 (July 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012).

Please contact me if you would like to discuss this matter further.

Yours truly,

CONESTOGA-ROVERS & ASSOCIATES

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Encl. Attachment A - Third Quarter 2012 Progress Report

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Saginaw Public Library (Public Information Repository)  
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ATTACHMENT A

THIRD QUARTER 2012 PROGRESS REPORT  
PERFORMANCE-BASED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER ON CONSENT  
FORMER SAGINAW NODULAR IRON, SAGINAW, MI  
JULY 1, 2012 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2012

## WORK PERFORMED THIS QUARTER

The following work was performed during the third quarter at the Nodular facility:

- Preparation and participation in meeting with U.S. EPA on July 10, 2012 regarding the RFI
- Preparation and submittal of the second quarter progress report for 2012 on July 13, 2012
- Preparation and submittal of Primary Settling Basin Stabilization Work Plan on July 31, 2012
- Preparation and submittal of Supplemental RFI on September 28, 2012
- On-going correspondence with the MDEQ regarding the NPDES permit application and receipt of NPDES permit on August 27, 2012
- Preparation and submittal of Primary Settling Basin Stabilization RFP
- U.S. EPA approval of Budget Amendment for Primary Settling Basin Stabilization work on September 19, 2012
- Periodic inspections and level measurements of secondary pond

## DATA AVAILABLE DURING THIS QUARTER

- None.

## PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED

- None.

## SUMMARY OF PROBLEM RESOLUTION

- Not applicable

## POTENTIAL PROBLEMS

- None

## ESTIMATED PERCENT COMPLETE AND INFORMATION SUMMARY FOR SELECTED ACTIVITIES

<u>Task</u>	<u>Estimated % Complete</u>
1. IU G - Former Nodular Iron Plant OM&M - 3-years of EI sampling complete - 2011 EI sampling and reporting completed April 18, 2012 - 2012 EI sampling event scheduled for November	10%
2. IU H - WWTP Closure - Characterization Study on Secondary Pond completed in June of 2011 - Emergency overflow for secondary pond installed on March 13, 2012 - Work plan for stabilizing primary settling basins submitted to U.S. EPA on July 31, 2012 and Work Plan approved by U.S. EPA on September 18, 2012 - Bid documents and stabilization work plan for primary settling basins completed - Developing options for addressing the North Ditch	11%

3.	IU I- Area Closure	0%
4.	IU I - Staging Area OM&M	0%
5.	Other - RCRA Corrective Action Reporting and Other Related Reporting - Submitted CCR documentation to U.S. EPA on November 18, 2011 - Submitted 2011 EI letter to U.S. EPA on April 18, 2012 - Submitted Supplemental RFI Report on September 28, 2012	50%

#### SUMMARY OF CONTACTS WITH INTERESTED PARTIES

- Communication regarding potential sale and future use of property with local community governmental and economic development representatives continues.

#### PROJECTED WORK FOR NEXT REPORTING PERIOD

- Conduct stabilization of the primary settling basins
- Meeting with EPA to discuss Supplemental RFI Report
- Begin preparation of CMS/CMP report
- Begin preparation of Deed Restrictions
- Continue evaluation of options to address the North Ditch
- Conduct 2012 EI monitoring event