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Wm. Lee Kinnally, Jr.
Mayor
Village of Hastings-on-Hudson
7 Maple Avenue
Hastings-on-Hudson, NY 10706

## RE: Transmittal of Building Preservation Impact Review prepared by Domani

Dear Mayor Kinnally:

Atlantic Richfield Company retained Domani to review the historic preservation issues raised in the Hutton Report (May 2006), and to complete our obligations under Section 5.10 of our Consent Decree with the Village (Assessment of Potential of Preserving Certain Site Structures). Domani's review focused on Building 51, Building 52 and the Water Tower. They organized the review in terms of 5 issues they see as critical:

- Ownership
- Design + Planning
- Structural Impacts
- Stakeholder Issues
- Financial Responsibility

For Buildings 51 and 52, Domani points out the uncertainty, engineering obstacles, and high risks that make it impractical to preserve these buildings while contaminated soil is excavated around and beneath them. For the Water Tower, Domani believes it is possible to dismantle and preserve the structure, as long as someone agrees to take custody of the parts, store them in a secure location, and rebuild or display the structure later in an appropriate location. Domani also points out that successful preservation does not necessarily need to be defined as saving structures, but could be framed in terms of preserving materials or preserving an architectural theme reminiscent of the era.

With the Domani report, Atlantic Richfield Company believes it has completed the scope of work identified in section 5.10 of our Consent Decree in <u>Hudson Riverkeeper and Village of Hastings v. Atlantic Richfield Company</u>, Case, No. 94 Civ. 2741 (WCC). Please let me know if you have any comments or questions about the report.

Sincerely,

David V. Kalet

Attachments: Hutton Report and Domani Review cc: Mark A. Chertok, Esq

Karl Coplan, Esq.

