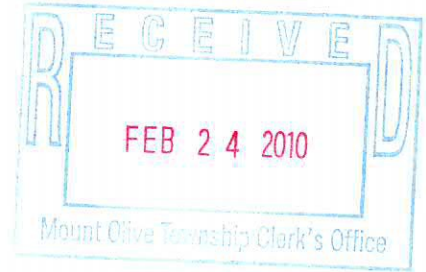




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Hackettstown Municipal Utilities Authority
424 Hurley Drive
Hackettstown, New Jersey 07840

Attn: Bruce D. Smith
Executive Director

Re: Mine Hill Reservoir Dam (NJDEP File No. 24-23)
Mount Olive Township, Morris County

cc: Admin
DPW

Dear Mr. Smith:

This letter is with reference to the Regular Inspection Report (IR) and Compliance Schedule (CS) submitted on your behalf by David L. Klemm, P.E., of Hatch Mott MacDonald, received on January 27, 2010 regarding the Mine Hill Reservoir Dam located within Mount Olive Township, Morris County in compliance with the New Jersey Dam Safety Standards (N.J.A.C. 7:20-1.11).

Based upon a review of the above-referenced IR, it has been determined than an accurate description of the existing conditions observed was presented. The recommendations outlined in the IR represent the necessary investigations, improvements and modifications that should be undertaken if the dam is to remain. Furthermore, the Bureau of Dam Safety and Flood Control (Bureau) accepts Hatch Mott MacDonald's conclusion that the Mine Hill Reservoir Dam will have a FAIR condition rating.

Additionally, the Bureau has determined the CS to be acceptable. It was noted that a permanent breach of the dam is to be pursued, no repairs are to occur and a pre-design report for decommissioning of the dam structure is to be submitted by **September 30, 2010**. Furthermore, the Bureau understands that a contract for engineering services will be awarded after your March 23, 2010 meeting and requests that you provide the name and address of your retained engineer by **April 30, 2010**. Please note, no further extensions will be granted and failure to submit any of the required documents may result in the issuance of an Administrative Order and Notice of Civil Administrative Penalty Assessment.

Please be reminded that an application must be filed with the Bureau and a permit issued before any repairs or modifications are undertaken that are not considered general maintenance.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Marcus L. Roorda of this office at (609) 984-0859.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John H. Moyle". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

John H. Moyle, P.E., Manager
Bureau of Dam Safety and Flood Control

C: David L. Klemm, P.E., Hatch Mott MacDonald
Mount Olive Township Engineer & Clerk
Morris County Engineer

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