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> Mr. Colin R. Wade Environmental Protection Specialist Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection Southeast Regional Office 2 East Main St. Norristown, PA 19401

RE: Ridge Run PFAS HSCA Site

Statement of Decision

Mr. Wade,

Perkasie Regional Authority is in receipt of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) letter dated April 18, 2019 providing the DEP Statement of Decision for the Interim Response for the Ridge Run PFAS HSCA Site, which indicated that DEP has selected the installation and maintenance of whole-house filtration systems with restrictions on the use of groundwater.

Perkasie Regional Authority, in working with Ragesh Patel, Timothy Cherry and yourself provided a plan to connect all affected property owners above the 70 PPT HAL with public water as well as approximately 50 additional residents. The \$1.9 million estimated cost of this project is below the DEP allowable limit of \$2 million for an Interim Response and this would help reduce the possibility of the PFAS plume.

Although we respect the decision of the DEP, we believe that connecting the affected property owners to public water provides a permanent, long-term solution for all of the residents in both East and West Rockhill Townships. On behalf of the Perkasie Regional Authority Board, we respectfully request that DEP reconsider the Interim Response decision.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Nicholas T. Fretz, Manager

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