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Mr. Glenn Lautenbach – SR-6J Remedial Project Manager Waste Management Division USEPA Region V 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590 lautenbach.glenn@epa.gov

Re: NPI Monthly Progress Reports for May 2023

USEPA CERCLIS ID WID006196174

WDNR BRRTS 02-09-000267 and FID 609038320

Dear Glenn:

In accordance with the requirements of the Administrative Order for Remedial Action between National Presto Industries, Inc. (NPI) and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), effective July 16, 1992; and the Unilateral Order between NPI, the USEPA, and National Defense Corporation, effective October 21, 1993; Progress Reports Nos. 371 and 320, respectively, for the NPI site in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, follow. Paper submittals are no longer required by either the USEPA or the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR), until further notice.

Please call if you have any questions or need additional information about either report.

Sincerely,

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INTERIM REMEDIAL ACTION ON-SITE GROUNDWATER PROGRESS REPORT NO. 371 MAY 2023 NATIONAL PRESTO INDUSTRIES, INC. SITE EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN

This report is prepared and submitted in accordance with the reporting requirements contained in the Administrative Order for Remedial Action between National Presto Industries, Inc. (NPI) and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), effective July 16, 1992.

During May 2023, Southwest Corner extraction wells EW-5 and EW-6 remained offline. On February 23, 2023, the pump in EW-6 was turned off to start its 12-month trial shutdown, as approved by the USEPA and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR). See Gannett Fleming, Inc.'s January 2023 *Work Plan for a 12-Month Trial Shutdown of Extraction Well EW-6* for supplemental details.

Extraction well EW-6 and the effluent from cascade aeration are typically sampled quarterly when that groundwater pump-and-treat operation is active. A discharge monitoring report (DMR) for the first quarter of 2023 was submitted to the WDNR and USEPA on April 18, 2023. A DMR for the second quarter of 2023 will be submitted in July 2023.



REMEDIAL DESIGN/REMEDIAL ACTION MELBY ROAD DISPOSAL SITE SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION SYSTEM PROGRESS REPORT NO. 320 MAY 2023 NATIONAL PRESTO INDUSTRIES, INC. SITE EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN

This progress report is prepared and submitted in accordance with the reporting requirements summarized in Section XI - Order, Paragraph 58 - Progress Reports of the Unilateral Order between National Presto Industries, Inc. (NPI), National Defense Corporation, and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), effective October 21, 1993.

During May 2023, the soil vapor extraction (SVE) system at the Melby Road Disposal Site (MRDS) remained offline. On December 5, 2022, the SVE system was turned off for its seasonal shutdown period, as approved by both agencies. However, the SVE system operated for 151.1 hours from March 15 through 21, 2023, with one vacuum blower running in low-flow mode for quarterly sampling, as planned.

NPI will notify the USEPA and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources if vapor-phase trichloroethylene and/or 1,1,1-trichloroethane concentrations rebound enough to trigger a contingency. Otherwise, starting on or about June 12, 2023, 6-month seasonal operation of the system will resume with one blower running in normal-flow mode. See Gannett Fleming, Inc.'s August 2020 *Updated Operation and Maintenance Plan for the MRDS Cap and SVE System* for supplemental details.

