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Debra Shore, Regional Administrator  
United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5  
77 West Jackson Boulevard  
Chicago, Illinois 60604-3507

Dear Debra Shore,

Thank you for your November 16, 2023, letter to Phillip D. Roos, Director, Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), seeking state concurrence with the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA) proposal to add the Gelman Sciences, Inc., site in Ann Arbor, Michigan (Site), to the Superfund National Priorities List (NPL). The State of Michigan concurs with the proposal and supports the inclusion of the Site in the next proposed NPL update.

Environmental assessments and investigation activities have indicated that the Site is contaminated with 1,4-dioxane and the associated groundwater plume has migrated beneath an estimated 3+ square mile area of the city of Ann Arbor and Scio Township. The Site is eligible for NPL listing based on the recently completed Final Site Inspection Report. Placing the Site on the NPL is the most viable alternative for addressing the issues with the source contamination remaining on-site and the contaminated groundwater on and emanating from the Site. Additionally, this option is supported by United States Representative Debbie Dingell, several local units of government, and community groups.

Thank you for your consideration. Please continue to coordinate the USEPA's activities with EGLE.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gretchen Whitmer".

Gretchen Whitmer  
Governor of Michigan