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Mr. Kenneth D. Eades
Northumberland County Administrator
P.O. Box 129
Heathsville, VA 22473

RE: Bluff Point Special Exception Permit Request for a Planned Unit Development
Substantial Change to the Original Submittal Request Relating to Potable Water

Dear Mr. Eades:

In response to input from citizens, other interested parties, a meeting with DEQ and Bluff Point's commitment to the safest and most environmentally acceptable practices based on the best science available, Bluff Point Holdings, LLC hereby changes the proposed water supply source and system previously submitted to the county for the Bluff Point Special Exception Permit request for a PUD.

A brief description of the previously proposed water source and system is as follows:

- The permanent system will be a desalinization plant using saline water from the Middle Potomac Aquifer.
- Studies and discussions with regulators indicate two options for brine disposal, both of which would be environmentally acceptable. The preferred is to inject the brine back into the Middle Potomac Aquifer and will require approval from EPA. The other is to discharge the brine into the waters of the Bay and would require approval from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality.

Absence of a professional consensus of a confining layer between the Upper and Middle Potomac Aquifers in addition to concerns about brine discharge, and our meeting in your office on June 17, 2010 with Scott Kudlas and Scott Bruce from DEQ, Jesse Royall and Charles Craven from Sydnor Hydro, Inc., Ken Baybutt from Bury Partners, you and others, it is our belief that the best practice is to meet Bluff Point's water needs from the Upper Potomac Aquifer. Letters to Northumberland County from Sydnor Hydro, Inc. dated June 23, 2010 and Bury Partners dated June 28, 2010 confirm this opinion. Bluff Point Holdings, LLC hereby formally requests to change our submittal to the following:

- Bluff Point will draw its water from the Upper Potomac Aquifer.
- Bluff Point will follow all regulations from DEQ and VHD as if the project were located in a Groundwater Management Area, whether or not it is in such area.
- This proposed water plan for Bluff Point will result in no saline discharge.

It is our hope that by working with DEQ, VHD, and the County of Northumberland in providing needed aquifer test data we will assist in ensuring that Northumberland County and the whole of the Northern Neck can best manage present and future water needs..

If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Dingledine

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Principal