



The Vineland Chemical Co. Superfund Site
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RE: Letter of Recommendation – ART Engineering, LLC

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I am pleased to have the opportunity of providing a reference for ART Engineering, LLC (ART). Sevenson and ART began working together at the Vineland Chemical Company Superfund Site, located in Vineland, New Jersey, in 2002. I have, personally, worked closely with the two principals of ART, Carl Seward and Erik Groenendijk, since 2004.

The Vineland Chemical Company Superfund Site is a high profile, EPA-led arsenic remediation site, containing both groundwater and soil contamination. My firm, Sevenson Environmental Services, Inc., is the lead remediation contractor on the project. In 2002, ART was contracted by Sevenson as the process designer for a soil washing treatment system, an innovative process that ART developed for the removal of heavy metals from soil (in this case, arsenic). As the process designer, ART developed the soil washing process amenable to the native soils, provided process equipment specifications, provided oversight for pilot studies and equipment procurements and provided technical support during the construction, startup and operations phases of the project.

Since the commencement of activities at the site to address the soil contamination, ART has been a valuable team member that has provided an invaluable service to Sevenson, the US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the US Army Corps. of Engineers (USACE). I can provide a long list of “nice” things to say about ART, but the following speak volumes:

- The use of ART's innovative soil washing process was a significant contributor in saving the US Government and the US taxpayers approx. \$38 million dollars at the Vineland Project.
- ART's design successfully treated over 400,000 tons of arsenic contaminated soils to below cleanup standards.
- Through ongoing support of plant optimization, ART contributed to an addition \$1 million dollars in savings to the Government and taxpayers by increasing production rates.
- Through ongoing support of plant optimization, ART contributed to the successful treatment of 71% more soils than originally anticipated, allowing the project to stay on schedule and under budget.
- Through continued technical support, ART aided Sevenson in extending the service life of



- the treatment system. The system was originally designed to treat 180,000 tons of contaminated soil. To date, we have successfully treated over 400,000 tons of material.
- ART's ability to adapt to the project's unique management style contributed to successful startup of treatment system. The treatment system was designed, procured, constructed and operational within one year, within budget and on schedule.

ART's support, both technical and managerial, to Sevenson at the Vineland Project has been a major contributing factor to the overall success of the project. I look forward to continuing the relationship that Sevenson and ART has forged over the past few years and would encourage any firm to pursue ART's services.

If I can be of any further service, please do not hesitate to contact me at the above phone number and address.

Sincerely,

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