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December 31, 2013

Mr. Robert Meyers
South Mountain Company
P.O. Box 1260
15 Red Arrow Road
West Tisbury, MA 02575

RE: Chilmark Landfill
Photovoltaic System Design

Dear Mr. Meyers,

During our review of the preliminary design drawings of the Chilmark Landfill Photovoltaic System Design, we noted the currently-designed power line burial in the access road along the south side of the landfill cap. This type of power line installation increases the risk of power line failure and even explosion due to the potential of explosive gases being produced in the capped landfill and migrating through the soil into the power line conduit. The risk is small but it is the reason MassDEP recommends keeping power lines above the ground.

MassDEP stated this recommendation at the Pre-Application meeting that was held at their office on September 20, 2013. Based on MassDEP's recommendation, we believe overhead power line installation at this location would be a design concept that would provide faster MassDEP approval and improved project success.

Please call or email (nate.weeks@ghd.com) if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

GHD Inc.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nathan C. Weeks". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Nathan" being more prominent.

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