TEXTRON ROCHESTER UPDATE

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Update on Water Line Project

Textron is committed to providing residents a safe and reliable water supply in the area of the Torx plant and we continue to work to accomplish that goal. Textron intends to implement this objective through the extension of the existing City of Rochester water line, the purchase of City water, and the establishment of a Conservancy District. All costs would be paid by Textron and there would be no costs to property owners within the District. The water line construction has been underway since August and the main line along Old US Highway 31 is anticipated to be completed this month, leaving lateral piping along the side roads, such as E 375 N and E 425 N, and individual connections left to complete. Textron's contractors will be meeting this month with individual property owners to confirm the details as to their connections. Delivery of the booster station for the system is anticipated in late November and completion of the water line is expected before year end. Textron has also hired a contractor to operate the water line following its completion. The contractor selected, Richard Martin, is a superintendent in the water department of the Town of Bremen, Indiana (from which he will be retiring) and has an operator's license from the State of Indiana. He will be meeting with individual property owners to introduce himself and to provide his contact information.

The South Richland Conservancy District, which will oversee the operation of the water line, is managed by a board comprised of three Directors. The term of one of those Directors, Doug Garvison, expires in February 2013. The Board will be accepting nominations until December 1, 2012 to fill this vacancy. A nominee must be a property owner within the District (or the representative of an owner of such a property if the owner is a corporation) and be qualified by knowledge or experience in matters pertaining to District activities. Nominations must be signed by at least five separate property owners in the District and be submitted to the District's mailing address at 4377 N Old US Highway 31, Rochester, IN 46975 by December 1, 2012. From the list of nominees, a Director will be elected at the District's annual meeting, which is scheduled for Wednesday, February 13, 2013, at the Fulton County Library's Rochester branch at 320 W. 7th St. All property owners within the District will be eligible to vote, although only one vote can be counted for each property. Votes can be made in person at the February 13th meeting or by mail to 4377 N Old US Highway 31, Rochester, IN 46975 if received before that meeting. A list of nominees as well as further information regarding the Board election process will be available at the next District Board of Directors' meeting, which is scheduled for Wednesday, December 12th, at 5:30 pm. at the Fulton County Library's Rochester branch.

Update on Groundwater Remediation Project

Textron is committed to the remediation of groundwater impacts in the vicinity of its former plant. Toward this end, Textron submitted to IDEM a feasibility study that evaluated five potential remedial alternatives to clean-up the groundwater. A bio-remediation alternative was recommended consisting of a series of injections into groundwater of a mixture of a food grade compound (ethyl lactate) at numerous points where the contaminant concentrations are highest to stimulate naturally occurring microorganisms to degrade chemicals in groundwater. The plan would also include a series of injections of a compound called zero valent iron into groundwater that, through chemical reaction, promotes the complete breakdown of chlorinated solvents in groundwater. IDEM has approved of the remedy, and recently approved a work plan for a pilot test of the technology in areas within the planned remediation area to confirm its effectiveness. Field work for the pilot, which will include the installation of injection wells at the Acument plant and on Textron owned property east of the plant on the other side of Old US Highway 31, will commence in October. Following monitoring and evaluation of the pilot's effectiveness, full scale implementation is anticipated in 2013.

For additional information regarding the investigation, please visit our website at: www.torxremediationproject.com

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