**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**
**REGION 2**
**290 BROADWAY, 17th FLOOR**
**NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10007-1866**

**VIA CERTIFIED MAIL --**
**RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Nelson M. Olavarria
Director, Environmental Assessment and Remediation
Cooper Industries
P.O. Box 4446
600 Travis, Suite 5600
Houston, Texas 77210-4446

RE: Tax Lots 001.1-01-03.0, 073.01-08.1, and 073.01-08.3 Onondaga County, New York

Dear Mr. Olavarria:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is charged with responding to the release or threatened release of hazardous substances, pollutants and contaminants into the environment and with enforcement responsibilities under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended ("CERCLA," also known as the "Superfund" Law), 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601-9675. Pursuant to its authority under CERCLA, EPA is currently performing a remedial investigation at the Lower Ley Creek subsite of the Onondaga Lake Superfund Site ("Site") located in Onondaga County, New York. As part of the remedial investigation, EPA is collecting samples to determine the extent of the contamination.

By this letter, EPA is seeking your consent to enter and have continued access to the roads and pathways on parcels 073.01-08.1, 073.01-08.3, and 001.1-01-03.0 in order to conduct sampling near Lower Ley Creek scheduled for September and October 2011. EPA will endeavor to utilize the roads and pathways in such a manner as to minimize disruption to you.

Please review, sign, and return the enclosed consent for access form to me by email (Tames.Pam@epa.gov), fax (212-637-3966), or regular mail to 290 Broadway, 20th Floor, New York, New York 10007.

If you have questions regarding the consent form, the remedial investigation sampling, or the Onondaga Lake Site remedy in general, please contact me at 212-637-4255. For legal questions, please call Lauren Charney at 212-637-3181 or contact Ms. Charney by email at Charney.Lauren@epa.gov. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Pamela Tames, P.E.
Remedial Project Manager
New York/Caribbean Superfund Branch

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Enclosure – Consent for Access Form



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# CONSENT FOR ACCESS TO PROPERTY

Property: Lots (Tax ID#) 001.1-01-03.0; 073.01-08.1; 073.01-08.3
Onondaga County, New York

Owner: Cooper Crouse-Hinds, LLC
PO Box 4446
Houston, TX 77210

I consent to officers, employees, and authorized representatives of the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") entering and having continued access to the above-described property (the "Property") for the following purposes:

1) use of the roads and pathways on parcels 073.01-08.1, 073.01-08.3 and 001.1-01-03.0 by EPA and EPA's contractors and their vehicles for the purpose of conducting sampling near Lower Ley Creek;

I am aware that these actions are being undertaken by EPA pursuant to its response and enforcement responsibilities under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 9601, *et seq.*

I am an owner of the Property herein named or am authorized to grant access on behalf of the owner, or otherwise have the authority to grant access to the Property for the purposes described above.

This written permission is given by me, voluntarily with knowledge of my right to refuse and without threats or promises of any kind, and shall expire one year from the date of my signature.

Date:_____ By: _____
Signature

_____
Printed Name of Signatory

_____
Title



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