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RE: CleanWirx Surface Decontamination Technology

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is to recommend the use of the CleanWirx wherever coating adhesion and performance are critical.

In 1992 we applied the 1st generation of CleanWirx on a 150-foot diameter crude oil tank and then laid down a fiberglass lining. We reopened the tank 15 years later in 2007 and the coating was still like new and has not required a recoating since the original treatment.

CleanWirx was implemented because, after repeated abrasive blasting cycles (NACE #2), we still could not maintain the visual standard required for the installation per the coating manufacturer's specifications. Mr. Loren Hatle, NACE CIP #207, convinced us this was because of non-water soluble sulfides and chloride contamination had not been adequately removed using traditional surface preparation methods.

Treating with CleanWirx after the initial surface preparation resulted in zero detectable levels of ionic contaminants, as determined by the very sensitive potassium ferricyanide test. Although there were reservations by the coating manufacturer, no problems were encountered either during or after the treatment. The entire process went smoothly and the coating was applied on the fully decontaminated surface without incident.

Sinclair now specifies the use of the CleanWirx for tanks and vessels that have been, or will be, in corrosive environments.

Sincerely,

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