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#### Via Federal Express

Ms. Karen Singer US EPA, Region IV 61 Forsyth Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30303

Wallace Finlator, Jr. Assistant Attorney General North Carolina Department of Justice 114 West Edenton Street Raleigh, NC 27603

#### Re: Clariant Corporation -- Institutional Controls Martin Marietta/Sodyeco Superfund Site

Dear Karen and Wallace:

I have enclosed certified copies of the "Declaration of Perpetual Land Use Restrictions" and the "Notice of Contaminated Site" for the Martin Marietta/Sodyeco Superfund Site in Charlotte, North Carolina. I understand from our conversations that these documents satisfy the requirement for institutional controls under the Amended Record of Decision, and that the delisting process for the site can now begin. Please do not hesitate to contact me at any time if you have any questions about these materials or need anything further from me along these lines.

As always, I appreciate your help in this matter. I hope that all is well.

Very truly yours, Thomas N. Griffin, III

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J. David Granberry, Register of Deeds 720 E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 103 Charlotte, North Carolina, 28202 (704) 336-2443

State of North Carolina County of Mecklenburg

Witness my hand and seal this  $D^{\pm}$  day of <u>August</u>, 2011.

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Register of Deeds, Assistant or Deputy Register of Deeds

#### DECLARATION OF PERPETUAL LAND USE RESTRICTIONS FOR A FEDERAL SUPERFUND SITE

#### For Property Owned By: Clariant Corporation

#### Martin Marietta/Sodyeco Superfund Site, Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina

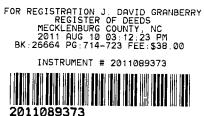
The real property which is the subject of this Declaration of Perpetual Land Use Restrictions ("Declaration") consists only of CERCLA areas A, B and D, which areas are located on a larger parcel of property located, in turn, at 11701 Mount Holly Road in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. Areas A, B and D are referred to in this Declaration as the "Site." The Site contains hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants as defined by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, as amended ("CERCLA/SARA"), 42 U.S.C. § 9601 et seq, and, along with other property, is the subject of a Record of Decision ("ROD") issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (" EPA") in September 1987. The ROD was modified by three Explanations of Significant Differences ("ESDs") that EPA issued in September 1994, November 1998, and December 1998. Pursuant to the ROD, the remedy selected for the Site was to be implemented by the Site owner under an amendment to a March 31, 1987 Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA") Part B Permit, Number NCD0011810365. The remedy for the Site selected in the ROD, as modified by the three ESDs, has been further modified in an Amended ROD ("AROD"), issued by EPA on July 5, 2011, to add a requirement for land use restrictions for the soil. The land use restrictions set forth in this Declaration are included in the remedial action plan for the Site in the AROD that has been approved by the Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (or its successor in function), or his/her delegate, as authorized by N.C.G.S. Section 143B-279.9. The North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall hereinafter be referred to as "DENR."

Clariant Corporation is the owner in fee simple of the Site, which is a portion of the real property legally described in Deed Book 4677, Page 309, Plat Book 53, Page 643 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Mecklenburg County. The Site is shown on a Notice of Contaminated Site, constituting a survey plat that is concurrently being recorded with this Declaration in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Mecklenburg County at Map Book <u>53</u>, Page <u>410</u>. An unrecorded copy of said survey plat is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

For the purpose of protecting public health and the environment, Clariant Corporation hereby declares that all of the Site shall be held, sold and conveyed subject to the following perpetual land use restrictions, which shall run with the land; shall be binding on all parties having any right, title or interest in the Site or any part thereof, their heirs, successors and assigns; and shall, as provided in N.C.G.S. Section 143B-279.9, be enforceable without regard to lack of privity of estate or contract, lack of benefit to particular land, or lack of any property interest in particular land. These restrictions shall continue in perpetuity and cannot be amended or canceled unless and until the Mecklenburg County Register of Deeds receives and records the written concurrence of the Secretary of DENR (or its successor in function), or his/her delegate, of modification or cancellation of these restrictions and this Declaration.

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If any provision of this Declaration is found to be unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired.

It is the intention of Clariant Corporation and DENR that, to the extent allowed by law, EPA is a third party beneficiary of this Declaration, and, as such, has the authority to enforce these restrictions, to the extent such enforcement is allowed by law. It is expressly agreed that neither EPA nor DENR is a recipient of a real property interest under this Declaration.

#### PERPETUAL LAND USE RESTRICTIONS

1. These land use restrictions are intended to prevent direct contact with Site contaminants and soils impacted by Site contaminants and, except as otherwise set forth herein, to preclude any future activity that would disturb, remove, or damage any cap, engineered or otherwise.

2. No cap at the Site, engineered or otherwise, shall be disturbed, removed, or damaged in any way without prior written approval of the Hazardous Waste Section of DENR's Division of Waste Management or its successor in function (the "Section"); provided, however, that routine maintenance of caps may be conducted without the Section's prior approval so long as such maintenance does not expose contaminants of concern in the soil underlying such caps, which contaminants of concern are the subject of the ROD, ESDs and AROD at the Site ("Contaminants of Concern"); and provided further that the Section shall be notified in writing upon completion of any such routine maintenance.

3. To ensure hazardous waste is handled and disposed of in a safe and appropriate manner and to prevent direct contact with contaminated soils, no caps at the Site, engineered or otherwise, may be altered, or other actions taken, in a manner that would result in a completed exposure pathway to Contaminants of Concern and/or result in increased risk of adverse exposure to Contaminants of Concern, without the owner conducting a RCRA Facility Investigation ("RFI") and implementing the appropriate RCRA action required as a result of the RFI, in both cases if and to the extent directed by the Section.

4. The Site shall <u>not</u> be developed or utilized for residential purposes or for childcare centers, nursing homes, schools, parks, recreational areas or athletic fields, without prior written approval of the Section.

5. The Site shall <u>not</u> be used for grazing purposes or for agricultural purposes related to human consumption, without prior written approval of the Section.

6. The Site shall <u>not</u> be used for kennels, private animal pens, or for riding clubs.

7. The Site shall <u>not</u> be used for mining or extraction of coal, oil, gas or any other minerals or non-mineral substances.

8. Unless otherwise permitted under this Declaration, below-ground construction is prohibited at the Site, except for remedial action activities undertaken with prior written approval of

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the Section.

9. No repairs to underground utilities and remedial action underground piping and plumbing may be undertaken at the Site without prior approval of the Section; provided that such prior approval is not necessary if repairs are required to address an emergency situation. In the case of an emergency situation, the Section shall be notified by phone within 4 business hours of the discovery of the emergency, and within 72 hours of the emergency a written account of the emergency and actions taken shall be submitted to the Section.

10. Activities necessary to remediate contamination at the Site are permitted if approved in writing in advance by the Section.

11. Each person who owns any portion of the Site shall submit a letter report, containing the notarized signature of the owner, in January of each year on or before January 31<sup>st</sup>, to the Section and the EPA Region 4 Superfund Division, or its successor in function, confirming that this Declaration is still recorded in the Office of the Mecklenburg County Register of Deeds, and that activities and conditions at the Site remain in compliance with the land use restrictions herein.

12. No person conducting environmental assessment or remediation at the Site, or involved with determining compliance with applicable land use restrictions, at the direction of, or pursuant to, a permit or order issued by DENR or EPA or their successors in function, may be denied access to the Site for the purpose of conducting such activities.

13. Each person who owns any portion of the Site shall cause the instrument of any sale, lease, grant, or other transfer of any interest in the Site to include a provision expressly requiring the lessee, grantee, or transferee to comply with this Declaration. The failure to include such provision shall not affect the validity or applicability of any land use restriction in this Declaration.

14. The owner of any portion of the Site that is the subject of this Declaration may submit a written request to the Section for modification or cancellation of these restrictions. DENR will concur with and grant such request for modification if DENR determines, based upon a showing by the owner, that the modification is justified. DENR will concur with and grant such request for cancellation if DENR determines, based upon a showing by such owner, that all Contaminants of Concern at the Site have been eliminated or remediated to unrestricted use standards pursuant to N.C.G.S. Section 143B-279.9(d), or, if no unrestricted use standard pursuant to N.C.G.S. Section 143B-279.9(d) is applicable to a Contaminant of Concern, then upon achievement of all applicable requirements in the state RCRA permit for the Site, in effect at the time of request for cancellation. If DENR concurs with any such modification or cancellation, it shall submit such written notification to EPA Region 4's Superfund Division that it is requesting a modification or cancellation or cancellation or cancellation or cancellation or cancellation or DENR.

#### **REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES**

Clariant Corporation hereby represents and warrants to the other signatories hereto:

that it is the sole owner of the Site;

that it holds fee simple title to the Site free, clear, and unencumbered;

that it has the power and authority to enter into this Declaration, to grant the rights and interests herein provided and to carry out all obligations hereunder; and

that this Declaration will not materially violate or contravene or constitute a material default under any other agreement, document or instrument to which Clariant Corporation is a party or to which it is bound or affected.

#### **ENFORCEMENT**

The land use restrictions set forth in this Declaration are an integral part of the remedy for the contamination at the Site. Adherence to the restrictions is necessary to protect public health and the environment. These land use restrictions shall be enforced by any owner, operator or other party responsible for any part of the Site. The land use restrictions may also be enforced by DENR through the remedies provided by any provision of law that is implemented or enforced by DENR, or by means of a civil action, and may also be enforced by any unit of local government having jurisdiction over any part of the Site or by EPA to the extent allowed by law. Any attempt to cancel this Declaration without the prior written approval of DENR, and notification to the EPA Region 4 Superfund Division, or their successors in function, shall constitute noncompliance with EPA's ROD, as modified by three ESDs and the AROD for the Site, which have been approved by DENR for the Site, and shall be subject to enforcement by DENR and/or, to the extent allowed by law, by EPA. Failure by any party required or authorized to enforce any of the above restrictions or provisions of this Declaration shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter as to the same violation or as to one occurring prior or subsequent thereto.

#### **FUTURE SALES, LEASES, CONVEYANCES AND TRANSFERS**

When any portion of the Site is sold, leased, conveyed or transferred, pursuant to N.C.G.S. Section 143B-279.10(e), the deed or other instrument of transfer shall contain in the description section, in no smaller type than that used in the body of the deed or instrument, a statement that the real property being sold, leased, conveyed, or transferred is a Contaminated Site, together with a reference by book and page to the recordation of the Notice of Contaminated Site referenced in this Declaration.

#### MODIFICATION OR CANCELLATION OF NOTICE OF CONTAMINATED SITE

The owner of any portion of the Site that is the subject of this Declaration may also submit a written request to the Section that the Notice of Contaminated Site ("survey plat") be modified or cancelled. DENR will concur with and grant such request for modification if DENR determines, based upon a showing by the owner, that the modification is justified. DENR will concur with and grant such request for cancellation if DENR determines, based upon a showing by such owner, that all Contaminants of Concern at the Site have been eliminated or remediated to unrestricted use standards pursuant to N.C.G.S. Section 143B-279.9(d) or, if no unrestricted use standard pursuant to N.C.G.S. Section 143B-279.9(d) is applicable to a contaminant of concern, then upon achievement of all applicable requirements in the state RCRA permit for the Site, in effect at the time of request for cancellation. If DENR concurs with any such modification or cancellation, it shall submit such written notification to EPA Region 4's Superfund Division that it is requesting a modification or cancellation or cancellation or cancellation or DENR.

#### **OWNER'S SIGNATURE**

IN	WITNESS WHEREOF, I _	CHRISTOPHER	5.	BALNARD	, exercisin	g power	of attorney
	Clariant Corporation, have						

Signatory's name:

For Clariant Corporation

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG

I, <u>(LUEL G. SLAUT</u>, a Notary Public, do hereby certify that <u>CHLISTERHER</u> S. <u>BALNALS</u> personally appeared before me this day and Declared that he is St. Vice Nesson T+ Section of Clariant Corporation and that by authority duly

given, and as the act of Clariant Corporation, he has signed this Declaration.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this  $\frac{26}{10}$  day of  $\frac{1}{10}$  day of

Notary Public

My Commission expires: <u>11 - 18 - 2015</u>

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	NOTARY PUBLIC
	GASTON COUNTY, NC My Connection Expires 11-19-2018

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#### APPROVAL AND CERTIFICATION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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Prepared by And Mail to: Thomas N. Griffin, Esq Parker Por Adams & Bernstein Three Wells Fargo Center 401 South Tryon Street, Suite 3000 A. Anlle NC 28202

### **REGISTER OF DEEDS CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing Declaration of Perpetual Land Use Restrictions is certified to be duly recorded at the date and time, and the Book and Page, shown on the first page hereof.

Register of Deeds for Mecklenburg County

By:

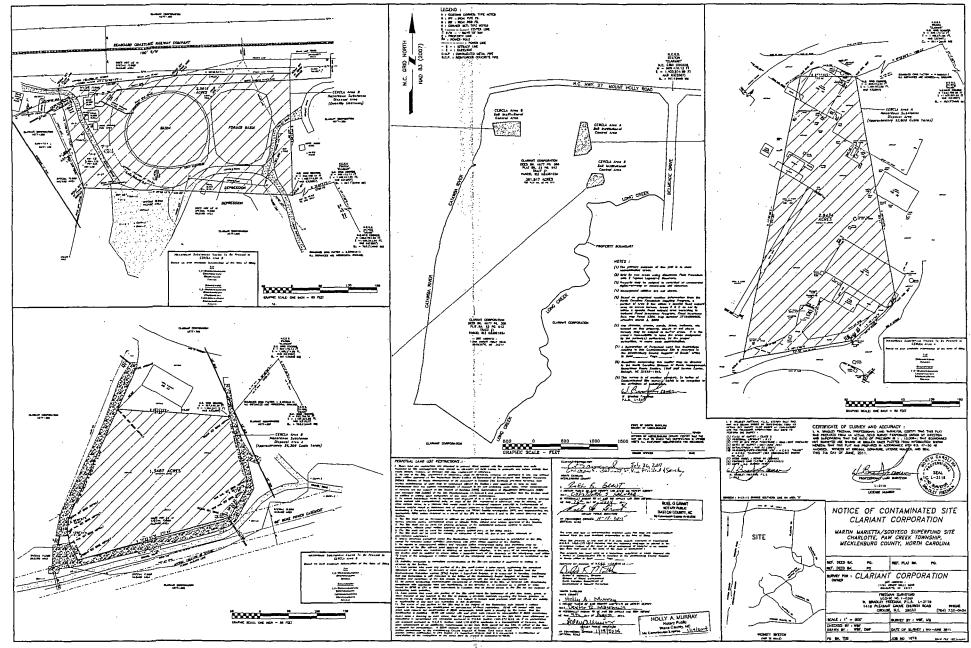
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## <u>Exhibit A</u>

## Copy of Survey Plat

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J. DAVID GRANBERRY REGISTER OF DEEDS, MECKLENBURG COUNTY & COURTS OFFICE BUILDING 720 EAST FOURTH STREET CHARLOTTE, NC 28202

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