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RE: NRI/FSD Application No. 420240850, 9810 Newhall Road, Potomac

Dear Mr. Zelaya and Mr. Bellow,

Thank you again for allowing Mr. Shirazi an additional period of time to respond to the Commissions letter dated February 12, 2024. As you may recall, the Commission kindly granted an extension until April 1, 2024, to allow Mr. Shirazi to respond to MNCPPC's notice of requirements contained in the February 12, 2024, letter.

Please be advised that Mr. Shirazi, after substantial investigation, has engaged the services of Soil and Conservation Consultants, an environmental consulting services firm based in Raleigh, North Carolina to conduct an investigation of the features of his and surrounding properties and to evaluate the evidence and information contained in the Commission's February 12, 2024 letter.

Mr. Shirazi has also engaged the services of Wetlands Studies and Solutions, Inc., an environmental and cultural resources consulting firm based in Millersville, Maryland, to also review the status of environmental features on Mr. Shirazi's property, and surrounding properties.

Because of the time that it took to have the senior staff of each of these two entities to make site visits, to compile information recorded from their visits and investigation, and then prepare a report, during a time period when many people will be on Spring vacation, we do not expect that either firm will be able to deliver written reports to us before April 1, 2024. Because we believe that MNCPPC can confirm that the firms engaged by Mr. Shirazi are respected and recognized professionals who will not waste the Commission's time with frivolous or unsubstantiated

information and arguments, we believe that a further delay in the delivery of Mr. Shirazi's response is a reasonable request.

We hope that the Commission agrees that Mr. Shirazi's efforts to provide a comprehensive analysis of the situation which was the subject of the Commission's letter of February 12, 2024, is worth a minor "wait". Therefore, would the Commission please grant a further extension, until **April 10, 2024**, for delivery of reports from the two firms referenced above.

Thank you for your attention and consideration to this request.

Sincerely, MILLER, MILLER & CANBY

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