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October 4, 2021

### Via email and U.S. Mail

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Re: Environmental Easement NYSDEC Site No. 915315 Jamison Road, Elma, New York 14059 Section 155.00, Block 1, Lots 4, 5.111, 5.2, 8.31 and 8.32

Dear Mr. Burns and Ms. Andaloro:

As you know, on September 15, 2021, my office filed the Environmental Easement for the above-referenced Site in the Erie County Clerk's Office. On that same day, I also sent the required Notice to Municipality letter to officials from the Town of Elma, along with the receipt of the filing and a date and filed stamped copy of the Environmental Easement.

On September 30, 2021, I received an email from Mr. Benjamin McPherson of NYSDEC that the Notice letter incorrectly included "Restricted Residential" as a permitted use, and he requested that I send a supplemental Notice letter to the officials of the Town of Elma. I then revised the Notice letter, and as per my email this morning, my office sent the enclosed Supplemental Letter today via Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested. I trust that this satisfies the Department, but please let me know if you have any questions.

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Thank you for your courtesy and cooperation throughout this process.

Very truly yours,

Ally C. Fharm

Jeffrey C. Stravino

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cc: Michael Lesakowski (Benchmark – TurnKey) (via email) Benjamin McPherson, P.E. (NYSDEC) (via email) Terri Mucha, Esq. (NYSDEC) (via email) Dale Thiel (NYSDEC) (via email)



October 4, 2021

# Via Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested

Hon. Wayne Clark, Town Supervisor Town of Elma 1600 Bowen Road Elma, New York 14059

Patricia King, Town Clerk Town of Elma 1600 Bowen Road Elma, New York 14059

Phyllis Todoro, Esq., Town Attorney Town of Elma 1600 Bowen Road Elma, New York 14059

Joseph Colern, Jr., Building Inspector Town of Elma 1600 Bowen Road Elma, New York 14059

Re: Environmental Easement NYSDEC Site No. 915315 Jamison Road, Elma, New York 14059 Section 155.00, Block 1, Lots 4, 5.111, 5.2, 8.31 and 8.32

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing as a supplement to my letter dated September 15, 2021 concerning an environmental easement granted to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation ("Department") on September 14, 2021, by Michael J. Ryan, Director, Division of Environmental Remediation, for property located on Jamison Road in the Town of Elma, County of Erie, and State of New York, known and designated on the tax map for the Town of Elma as: Section 155.00, Block 1, Lots 4, 5.111, 5.2, 8.31 and 8.32, and assigned DEC Site Number C915315.

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The enclosed easement was recorded in the Erie County Clerk's Office on September 15, 2021, File No. 2021183069, Liber 11387, Page 2394 as evidenced by the receipt attached.

This Environmental Easement restricts future use of the above-referenced property to the following uses: Commercial as described in 6 NYCRR Part 375-1.8(g)(2)(iii) and Industrial as described in 6 NYCRR Part 375-1.8(g)(2)(iv) [*not Restricted Residential as stated in my September 15, 2021 letter*]. Any on-site activity must be done in accordance with the Environmental Easement and the Site Management Plan which is incorporated into the Environmental Easement. Department approval is also required prior to any use of groundwater underlying the property.

Article 71, Section 71-3607 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law requires that:

- 1. Whenever the department is granted an environmental easement, it shall provide each affected local government with a copy of such easement and shall also provide a copy of any documents modifying or terminating such environmental easement.
- 2. Whenever an affected local government receives an application for a building permit or any other application affecting land use or development of land that is subject to an environmental easement and that may relate to or impact such easement, the affected local government shall notify the department and refer such application to the department. The department shall evaluate whether the application is consistent with the environmental easement and shall notify the affected local government of its determination in a timely fashion, considering the time frame for the local government's review of the application. The affected local government shall not approve the application until it receives approval from the department.

An electronic version of every environmental easement that has been accepted by the Department is available to the public at: <u>http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/36045.html</u>. Please forward this notice to your building and/or planning departments, as applicable, to ensure your compliance with these provisions of New York State Environmental Conservation Law. If you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Jeff C. Stranno

Jeffrey C. Stravino

Enclosure

## ERIE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE



### County Clerk's Recording Page

Return to: BOX 74

Party 1: MOOG INC

Party 2: PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK (THE)

### **Recording Fees:**

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SONYMA MT	\$0.00
ADDL MT/NFTA	\$0.00
SP MT/M-RAIL	\$0.00
NY STATE TT	\$0.00
ROAD FUND TT	\$0.00

### Total: \$103.00

STATE OF NEW YORK ERIE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

WARNING – THIS SHEET CONSTITUTES THE CLERK'S ENDORSEMENT REQUIRED BY SECTION 319&316-a (5) OF THE REAL PROPERTY LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. DO NOT DETACH. THIS IS NOT A BILL.

> Michael P. Kearns Erie County Clerk

County: Erie Site No: C915315 Brownfield Cleanup Agreement Index : C915315-05-17

# ENVIRONMENTAL EASEMENT GRANTED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 71, TITLE 36 OF THE NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW

THIS INDENTURE made this  $14^{44}$  day of September, 2021, between Owner, Moog Inc., having an office at 400 Jamison Road, Elma, New York 14052 (the "Grantor"), and The People of the State of New York (the "Grantee"), acting through their Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Conservation (the "Commissioner", or "NYSDEC" or "Department" as the context requires) with its headquarters located at 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233,

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of New York has declared that it is in the public interest to encourage the remediation of abandoned and likely contaminated properties ("sites") that threaten the health and vitality of the communities they burden while at the same time ensuring the protection of public health and the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of New York has declared that it is in the public interest to establish within the Department a statutory environmental remediation program that includes the use of Environmental Easements as an enforceable means of ensuring the performance of operation, maintenance, and/or monitoring requirements and the restriction of future uses of the land, when an environmental remediation project leaves residual contamination at levels that have been determined to be safe for a specific use, but not all uses, or which includes engineered structures that must be maintained or protected against damage to perform properly and be effective, or which requires groundwater use or soil management restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of New York has declared that Environmental Easement shall mean an interest in real property, created under and subject to the provisions of Article 71, Title 36 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law ("ECL") which contains a use restriction and/or a prohibition on the use of land in a manner inconsistent with engineering controls which are intended to ensure the long term effectiveness of a site remedial program or eliminate potential exposure pathways to hazardous waste or petroleum; and

WHEREAS, Grantor, is the owner of real property located at the address of 400 Jamison Road in the Town of Elma, County of Erie and State of New York, known and designated on the tax map of the County Clerk of Erie as tax map parcel number: Section 155.00 Block 1 Lots 4, 5.111, 5.2, 8.31 and 8.32, being a portion of the property conveyed to Grantor by the following deeds:

- 1) Deed dated August 2, 1960 and recorded in the Erie County Clerk's Office in Liber and Page 6574/562.
- 2) Deed dated March 2, 1961 and recorded in the Erie County Clerk's Office in Liber and Page 6638/127.
- 3) Deed dated February 1, 1983 and recorded in the Erie County Clerk's Office in Liber and Page 9237/305.
- 4) Deed dated January 26, 2009 and recorded in the Erie County Clerk's Office in Liber and Page 11154/8546.

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5) Deed dated June 1, 2014 and recorded in the Erie County Clerk's Office in Liber and Page 11265/5533.

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6) Deeds 1-5 above included in Confirmatory Deed dated September 27, 2017 and recorded in the Erie County Clerk's Office in Liber and Page 11320/2313.

WHEREAS, the property subject to this Environmental Easement (the "Controlled Property") comprises approximately 4.482 +/- acres, and is hereinafter more fully described in the Land Title Survey dated September 19, 2020 and last revised September 1, 2021 prepared by Jacob Griffis, L.L.S. of Nussbaumer and Clarke, Inc., which will be attached to the Site Management Plan. The Controlled Property description is set forth in and attached hereto as Schedule A; and

WHEREAS, the Department accepts this Environmental Easement in order to ensure the protection of public health and the environment and to achieve the requirements for remediation established for the Controlled Property until such time as this Environmental Easement is extinguished pursuant to ECL Article 71, Title 36; and

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and the terms and conditions of Brownfield Cleanup Agreement Index Number: C915315-05-17, Grantor conveys to Grantee a permanent Environmental Easement pursuant to ECL Article 71, Title 36 in, on, over, under, and upon the Controlled Property as more fully described herein ("Environmental Easement").

1. <u>Purposes</u>. Grantor and Grantee acknowledge that the Purposes of this Environmental Easement are: to convey to Grantee real property rights and interests that will run with the land in perpetuity in order to provide an effective and enforceable means of encouraging the reuse and redevelopment of this Controlled Property at a level that has been determined to be safe for a specific use while ensuring the performance of operation, maintenance, and/or monitoring requirements; and to ensure the restriction of future uses of the land that are inconsistent with the above-stated purpose.

2. <u>Institutional and Engineering Controls</u>. The controls and requirements listed in the Department approved Site Management Plan ("SMP") including any and all Department approved amendments to the SMP are incorporated into and made part of this Environmental Easement. These controls and requirements apply to the use of the Controlled Property, run with the land, are binding on the Grantor and the Grantor's successors and assigns, and are enforceable in law or equity against any owner of the Controlled Property, any lessees and any person using the Controlled Property.

A. (1) The Controlled Property may be used for:

# Commercial as described in 6 NYCRR Part 375-1.8(g)(2)(iii) and Industrial as described in 6 NYCRR Part 375-1.8(g)(2)(iv)

(2) All Engineering Controls must be operated and maintained as specified in the Site Management Plan (SMP);

(3) All Engineering Controls must be inspected at a frequency and in a manner defined in the SMP;

(4) The use of groundwater underlying the property is prohibited without

necessary water quality treatment as determined by the NYSDOH or the Erie County Department of Health to render it safe for use as drinking water or for industrial purposes, and the user must first notify and obtain written approval to do so from the Department;

(5) Groundwater and other environmental or public health monitoring must be performed as defined in the SMP;

(6) Data and information pertinent to Site Management of the Controlled Property must be reported at the frequency and in a manner defined in the SMP;

(7) All future activities on the property that will disturb remaining contaminated material must be conducted in accordance with the SMP;

(8) Monitoring to assess the performance and effectiveness of the remedy must be performed as defined in the SMP;

(9) Operation, maintenance, monitoring, inspection, and reporting of any mechanical or physical components of the remedy shall be performed as defined in the SMP;

(10) Access to the site must be provided to agents, employees or other representatives of the State of New York with reasonable prior notice to the property owner to assure compliance with the restrictions identified by this Environmental Easement.

B. The Controlled Property shall not be used for Residential or Restricted Residential purposes as defined in 6NYCRR 375-1.8(g)(2)(i) and (ii), and the above-stated engineering controls may not be discontinued without an amendment or extinguishment of this Environmental Easement.

C. The SMP describes obligations that the Grantor assumes on behalf of Grantor, its successors and assigns. The Grantor's assumption of the obligations contained in the SMP which may include sampling, monitoring, and/or operating a treatment system, and providing certified reports to the NYSDEC, is and remains a fundamental element of the Department's determination that the Controlled Property is safe for a specific use, but not all uses. The SMP may be modified in accordance with the Department's statutory and regulatory authority. The Grantor and all successors and assigns, assume the burden of complying with the SMP and obtaining an up-to-date version of the SMP from:

Site Control Section Division of Environmental Remediation NYSDEC 625 Broadway Albany, New York 12233 Phone: (518) 402-9553

D. Grantor must provide all persons who acquire any interest in the Controlled Property a true and complete copy of the SMP that the Department approves for the Controlled Property and all Department-approved amendments to that SMP.

E. Grantor covenants and agrees that until such time as the Environmental Easement is extinguished in accordance with the requirements of ECL Article 71, Title 36 of the ECL, the property deed and all subsequent instruments of conveyance relating to the Controlled Property shall state in at least fifteen-point bold-faced type:

This property is subject to an Environmental Easement held by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation pursuant to Title 36 of Article 71 of the Environmental Conservation Law.

F. Grantor covenants and agrees that this Environmental Easement shall be incorporated in full or by reference in any leases, licenses, or other instruments granting a right to use the Controlled Property.

G. Grantor covenants and agrees that it shall, at such time as NYSDEC may require, submit to NYSDEC a written statement by an expert the NYSDEC may find acceptable certifying under penalty of perjury, in such form and manner as the Department may require, that:

(1) the inspection of the site to confirm the effectiveness of the institutional and engineering controls required by the remedial program was performed under the direction of the individual set forth at 6 NYCRR Part 375-1.8(h)(3).

(2) the institutional controls and/or engineering controls employed at such site:

(i) are in-place;

(ii) are unchanged from the previous certification, or that any identified changes to the controls employed were approved by the NYSDEC and that all controls are in the Department-approved format; and

(iii) that nothing has occurred that would impair the ability of such control to protect the public health and environment;

(3) the owner will continue to allow access to such real property to evaluate the continued maintenance of such controls;

(4) nothing has occurred that would constitute a violation or failure to comply with any site management plan for such controls;

(5) the report and all attachments were prepared under the direction of, and reviewed by, the party making the certification;

(6) to the best of his/her knowledge and belief, the work and conclusions described in this certification are in accordance with the requirements of the site remedial program, and generally accepted engineering practices; and

(7) the information presented is accurate and complete.

3. <u>Right to Enter and Inspect</u>. Grantee, its agents, employees, or other representatives of the State may enter and inspect the Controlled Property in a reasonable manner and at reasonable times to assure compliance with the above-stated restrictions.

4. <u>Reserved Grantor's Rights</u>. Grantor reserves for itself, its assigns, representatives, and successors in interest with respect to the Property, all rights as fee owner of the Property, including:

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A. Use of the Controlled Property for all purposes not inconsistent with, or limited by the terms of this Environmental Easement;

B. The right to give, sell, assign, or otherwise transfer part or all of the underlying fee interest to the Controlled Property, subject and subordinate to this Environmental Easement;

### 5. <u>Enforcement</u>

A. This Environmental Easement is enforceable in law or equity in perpetuity by Grantor, Grantee, or any affected local government, as defined in ECL Section 71-3603, against the owner of the Property, any lessees, and any person using the land. Enforcement shall not be defeated because of any subsequent adverse possession, laches, estoppel, or waiver. It is not a defense in any action to enforce this Environmental Easement that: it is not appurtenant to an interest in real property; it is not of a character that has been recognized traditionally at common law; it imposes a negative burden; it imposes affirmative obligations upon the owner of any interest in the burdened property; the benefit does not touch or concern real property; there is no privity of estate or of contract; or it imposes an unreasonable restraint on alienation.

B. If any person violates this Environmental Easement, the Grantee may revoke the Certificate of Completion with respect to the Controlled Property.

C. Grantee shall notify Grantor of a breach or suspected breach of any of the terms of this Environmental Easement. Such notice shall set forth how Grantor can cure such breach or suspected breach and give Grantor a reasonable amount of time from the date of receipt of notice in which to cure. At the expiration of such period of time to cure, or any extensions granted by Grantee, the Grantee shall notify Grantor of any failure to adequately cure the breach or suspected breach, and Grantee may take any other appropriate action reasonably necessary to remedy any breach of this Environmental Easement, including the commencement of any proceedings in accordance with applicable law.

D. The failure of Grantee to enforce any of the terms contained herein shall not be deemed a waiver of any such term nor bar any enforcement rights.

6. <u>Notice</u>. Whenever notice to the Grantee (other than the annual certification) or approval from the Grantee is required, the Party providing such notice or seeking such approval shall identify the Controlled Property by referencing the following information:

County, NYSDEC Site Number, NYSDEC Brownfield Cleanup Agreement, State Assistance Contract or Order Number, and the County tax map number or the Liber and Page or computerized system identification number.

Parties shall address correspondence to:

Site Number: C915315 Office of General Counsel NYSDEC 625 Broadway Albany New York 12233-5500

County: Erie Site No: C915315 Brownfield Cleanup Agreement Index : C915315-05-17

With a copy to:

Site Control Section . Division of Environmental Remediation NYSDEC 625 Broadway Albany, NY 12233

All notices and correspondence shall be delivered by hand, by registered mail or by Certified mail and return receipt requested. The Parties may provide for other means of receiving and communicating notices and responses to requests for approval.

7. <u>Recordation</u>. Grantor shall record this instrument, within thirty (30) days of execution of this instrument by the Commissioner or her/his authorized representative in the office of the recording officer for the county or counties where the Property is situated in the manner prescribed by Article 9 of the Real Property Law.

8. <u>Amendment</u>. Any amendment to this Environmental Easement may only be executed by the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation or the Commissioner's Designee, and filed with the office of the recording officer for the county or counties where the Property is situated in the manner prescribed by Article 9 of the Real Property Law.

9. <u>Extinguishment.</u> This Environmental Easement may be extinguished only by a release by the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, or the Commissioner's Designee, and filed with the office of the recording officer for the county or counties where the Property is situated in the manner prescribed by Article 9 of the Real Property Law.

10. <u>Joint Obligation</u>. If there are two or more parties identified as Grantor herein, the obligations imposed by this instrument upon them shall be joint and several.

11. <u>Consistency with the SMP</u>. To the extent there is any conflict or inconsistency between the terms of this Environmental Easement and the SMP, regarding matters specifically addressed by the SMP, the terms of the SMP will control.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor has caused this instrument to be signed in its name.

Moog Inc.: By Print Name: Mark Trabert Title: President-Aircraft Date: 9-10-2021

**Grantor's Acknowledgment** 

STATE OF NEW YORK ) COUNTY OF **ERIE** )

On the <u>104</u> day of <u>September</u>, in the year 20<u>21</u>, before me, the undersigned, personally appeared <u>Mark Trabert</u>, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name is (are) subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument, the individual(s), or the person upon behalf of which the individual(s) acted, executed the instrument.

Notary Public - State of New York

RANDY C. FAHS NOTARY PUBLIC-STATE OF NEW YORK No. 02FA4956682 Qualified in Erie County My Commission Expires October 02, 20, 21

THIS ENVIRONMENTAL EASEMENT IS HEREBY ACCEPTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, Acting by and Through the Department of Environmental Conservation as Designee of the Commissioner,

By: <u>llll</u>

Michael J. Ryan, Director Division of Environmental Remediation

### **Grantee's Acknowledgment**

STATE OF NEW YORK ) ) ss: COUNTY OF ALBANY )

On the <u>14</u><sup>th</sup> day of <u>Septenber</u>, in the year 20<u>2</u>], before me, the undersigned, personally appeared Michael J. Ryan, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name is (are) subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/ executed the same in his/her/ capacity as Designee of the Commissioner of the State of New York Department of Environmental Conservation, and that by his/her/ signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

Notary Public - State of New York

Dale L. Thiel Notary Public, State of New York Qualified in Columbia County No 01TH6414394 Commission Expires February <u>2</u>22225

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### SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL EASEMENT DESCRIPTION - 4.482 ACRES**

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, SITUATE IN THE TOWN OF ELMA, COUNTY OF ERIE AND STATE OF NEW YORK, AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS LOT NO. 63 & NO. 72, TOWNSHIP 10, RANGE 6 OF THE BUFFALO CREEK RESERVATION, BOUND AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE EAST LINE OF SENECA STREET (ROUTE 16) WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF JAMISON ROAD;

THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF JAMISON ROAD A DISTANCE OF 265.77 FEET;

THENCE S 30° 34' 46" E, A DISTANCE OF 73.21 FEET;

THENCE S 85° 59' 10" E, A DISTANCE OF 84.94 FEET;

THENCE N 63° 13' 15" E, A DISTANCE OF 369.49 FEET;

THENCE N 80° 44' 07" E, A DISTANCE OF 57.77 FEET;

THENCE S 09° 35' 23" E, A DISTANCE OF 330.87 FEET;

THENCE S 80° 24' 37" W, A DISTANCE OF 250.48 FEET;

THENCE S 09° 35' 23" E, A DISTANCE OF 176.05 FEET;

THENCE S 80° 24' 37" W, A DISTANCE OF 151.58 FEET;

THENCE N 09° 35' 23" W, A DISTANCE OF 286.93 FEET;

THENCE S 80° 24' 37" W, A DISTANCE OF 265.03 FEET;

THENCE S 38° 16' 20" E, A DISTANCE OF 152.41 FEET;

THENCE S 51° 43' 40" W, A DISTANCE OF 40.00 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EASTERLY LINE OF SENECA STREET;

THENCE N 38° 16' 20" W ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF SENECA STREET A DISTANCE OF 260.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 4.482 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.