August 9, 2017

Pat Scott, President
NC Dynamics
3401 E. 69th St.
Long Beach, CA 90805

RE: RELEASES OF HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM FROM NC DYNAMICS, 3401 E. 69th ST., LONG BEACH, CA 90805

Dear Mr. Scott:

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health and City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services are issuing the following joint Public Health Directive to NC Dynamics

In July 2017, the South Coast Air Quality Management District’s (SCAQMD) air monitoring station at NC Dynamics documented elevated emissions of hexavalent chromium. As such, NC Dynamics is operating in violation of the California Health and Safety Code, and causing a public nuisance that endangers the health of the surrounding community. Hexavalent chromium is a known carcinogen, and facility operations at NC Dynamics are contributing to significant long-term health risks for the people living and working in the Cities of Paramount and Long Beach.

Pursuant to section 11.02.190 of the Los Angeles County Code and Long Beach Municipal Code Section 8.64.040, NC Dynamics is hereby directed to:

1. Take all necessary actions in cooperation with the SCAQMD to eliminate the current nuisance endangering the health of the public, which may include partial or full suspension of operations.

2. Notify the Department of Public Health within 24 hours of your intent to comply with this Directive, and submit a list of both actions taken and proposed actions. Send written notification to Mr. Angelo Bellomo, Deputy Director for Health Protection, at 3530 Wilshire Blvd., 11th Floor, Suite 1110, Los Angeles, CA 90010 or abellomo@ph.lacounty.gov, and to Nelson Kerr, Manager, Bureau of Environmental Health at 2525 Grand Ave. Room 220, Long Beach, CA 90815 or nelson.kerr@longbeach.gov.
Both Los Angeles and Long Beach Health Departments are working closely with SCAQMD to ensure the elimination of this endangerment without delay. Please copy SCAQMD on all submittals to the Departments. If you should have any questions, please contact Dr. Cyrus Rangan at (213) 738-3220 or via email at crangan@ph.lacounty.gov.

Sincerely,

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