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Mr. Brian Dietz ,Chief
Maryland Department of Environment
Land Restoration Program
1800 Washington Boulevard
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bdietz@maryland.gov

Re: Request for CHS Oversight and Notice of Voluntary Cleanup Program Withdrawal Former Alcoa Eastalco Works Property 5601 Manor Woods Road Frederick, Maryland 21703

Dear Mr. Dietz,

On September 28, 2021, Quantum Maryland, LLC (Applicant) submitted an application to enter the site known as the Former Alcoa Eastalco Works Property into the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP). The Applicant was granted expedited Inculpable Person status pursuant to Section 7-505 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, on June 22, 2021. The Applicant's original VCP application stated that the Former Alcoa Eastalco Works Property consisted of 2136.43 acres. A recent survey previously provide to MDE provides that the property consists of approximately 2124.355 acres. It is comprised of the following tax parcel numbers: 01-005413; 01-005391; 23-437457; 01-00152; 01-005111; 01-005138; 01-005383; 01-005405; 01-005979; and 01-60235 (Subject Property). We are relying on this more recent survey in this request.

At this time, the Applicant requests to withdraw the Subject Property from the VCP and request oversight of future investigation and remediation by the MDE Controlled Hazardous Substance (CHS) Division. The Department has confirmed that withdrawal from the VCP will not affect the Inculpable Person status of the Applicant and that the Applicant may re-apply to the VCP at a later date as an Inculpable Person in an effort to pursue additional liability protection and potential tax incentives. The Applicant will continue to meet the requirements of Environment Article § 7-512 and perform any environmental remediation at the Subject Property under the oversight of the CHS Division.

An Environmental Management Plan (EMP) will be provided which will propose measures and controls to mitigate contaminants of concern at the Subject Property. The EMP activities will be conducted under the oversight of the

CHS Division and the Land Restoration Program (LRP) of the MDE. We understand that the LRP will be invoicing the Applicant on a semi-annual basis for project oversight costs. The Applicant's billing information is below:

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Attention: Accounts Payable
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If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, or other aspects of the project, please feel free to contact Sylvia Kang, Chief Real Estate Officer, at sylvia@ql.email or our consultant, Paul Hayden of Geo-Technology Associates, Inc. at 443-865-8274.

Respectfully submitted,

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CREO of Quantum Loophole, Inc., Manager of Quantum Maryland, LLC

cc: Ms. Anuradha Mohanty, Maryland Department of the Environment Land Restoration Program

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