



# THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMPANY

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**Via Electronic Transmission:**  
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The Honorable Steven Chu, Secretary  
U.S. Department of Energy  
Forrestal Building  
1000 Independent Avenue, SW  
Washington, DC 20585-0113

Dear Mr. Secretary:

EQ Detroit, Inc. is writing to you in accordance with Section 5(g)(2)(B) of Public Law No. 110-414, "The Mercury Export Ban Act of 2008 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), to notify you of its plan to store elemental mercury at the EQ Detroit facility, which has a permit under Section 30005(c) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. §6925(c)) and is authorized to store hazardous waste.

We understand under the Act, that should the Secretary be unable to accept elemental mercury at a facility designated by the Secretary, for reasons beyond the control of the owner or operator of the permitted facility, the permitted facility may store the elemental mercury and shall not be subject to the storage prohibition of Section 30004(j) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. §30004(j)) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. §6924(i)).

We also understand that such authorized storage is contingent upon making certifications to the Secretary as required under Section 5(g)(2)(B)(ii) and (iii) of the Act.

In accordance with those certification requirements, EQ Detroit, Inc. hereby certifies that it will ship stored elemental mercury to the U.S. Department of Energy's designated facility when the Secretary is able to accept the elemental mercury. EQ Detroit, Inc. further certifies that it will not sell the stored elemental mercury or otherwise place it into commerce. In the event that an alternative elemental mercury treatment and disposal provision is promulgated under the Land Disposal Restrictions of 40 CFR 268, EQ Detroit, Inc. retains the right to exercise these provisions in lieu of shipment to a designated federal facility.

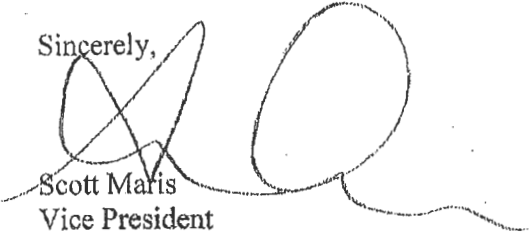
EQ Detroit is located at 1923 Frederick Street, Detroit, Michigan 48211.

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If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to contact me via e-mail at [Scott.Maris@EQonline.com](mailto:Scott.Maris@EQonline.com) or at 734-329-8020.

Sincerely,



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