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MEMORANDUM

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FROM: Max Shepard – Shepard Engineering, Inc. **DATE:** February 6, 2015
SUBJECT: Testimony in Support of House Bill No. 2177 – Relating to Solid and
Hazardous Waste and Property Redevelopment Act – Kansas House of
Representatives, Energy and Environment Committee

This memo will document my support of the provisions set forth in HB 2177. I am President of Shepard Engineering, Inc., Bennington, Kansas and a licensed professional engineer in Kansas, as well as, in four (4) other states. I have been providing environmental consulting engineering services to industries for approximately 25 years – primarily in the areas of soil and groundwater investigation and remediation.

I have worked and continue to work with the KDHE on sites, which are under the Voluntary Cleanup Program. A challenging aspect with respect to most contaminated sites is achieving levels, which meet the specified standards that are needed to obtain a “No Further Action” classification from the KDHE. It is my opinion that the language contained in HB 2177 would provide greater flexibility with respect to site closure by use of a risk analysis.