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Justin DeBrodt, Chairman Ledyard Inland Wetland and Watercourses Commission C/O Liz Burdick, Director of Land Use & Planning Town of Ledyard 741 Colonel Ledyard Hwy Ledyard, CT 06339-1511

RE: Third Party Review

IWWC#24-9 - 19, 29 & 39 Military Highway Multifamily Application

Ledyard, Connecticut

CLA-7925

To the Commission:

CLA Engineers, Inc. (CLA) has reviewed the wetland delineation for the referenced project. The field review was conducted on September 9, 2024 after the flags had been re-hung by Dieter & Gardner Land Surveyors and Planners. Elizabeth Burdick, Town of Ledyard Director fo Land Use and Planning was present. CLA's findings are as follows.

Flags numbers 1 through 5, 9 and 10 appear to accurately depict the wetland boundary. Flag numbers 6, 7, 8, 11, 16, 17 and 19 appear to be inside the wetland by 10 to 15 feet. Flag numbers 12, 13, 14, 15 and 18 appear to be within the wetland by 20 to 30 feet.

Note that these determinations were made using a hand auger and the areas in question have typically have redoximorphic features within 6 inches of the soil surface. These soils also have chroma 2 and 3 sandy layers beneath the topsoil with common redoximorphic features. CLA refers to The Field Indicators for Identifying Hydric Soils, Version 4, criterion NE-S1. - Three Chroma Sands.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this review. Note that Kyle Haubert P.E. will also be providing a letter with comments regarding the proposed drainage. Please feel free to call at our office or email or brusso@claengineers.com with any questions or comments.

Very truly yours,

CLA Engineers, Inc.

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