



September 5, 2014

County Managers Office
Attn: Leo Ochs, Jr.
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Dear Mr. Ochs,

I first want to thank you and the staff members who were involved in the vetting process to select a consultant for the groundwater modeling and water quality testing at the Collier-Hogan well. Based on the county's ranking we selected Conestoga Rovers and Associates to undertake the effort. The first task in the process was to model groundwater movement and they are prepared to update the Board at the September 9th meeting. The modeling results will be used to guide future actions and interjects a very necessary and technical component into the discussion.

Additionally, Collier Resources has had a request from DEP to access our property for additional testing and to install a deeper well to 1800 feet to expand the scope of their water testing. We have agreed to their request and we continue to endorse DEP's efforts to test water at the site.

Collier Resources, at the invitation of Chairman Henning, attended a meeting that he hosted with members of the Conservancy of Southwest Florida. The topic was the Collier-Hogan well and the two previously plugged and abandoned wells and potential future access to the property to address the Conservancy's request for additional sampling or work at well sites 103 and 86. We have agreed with DEP that if they conclude that either well number 86 and/or well 103 should be sampled and re-plugged to current standards, and if they provide a plan to accomplish that effort, then we will give fair and timely consideration to granting any necessary access to our property. However, we think it is reasonable to allow our own experts to review any plan, and confirm that the Conservancy's requested drilling and plugging is a good idea and is consistent with sound science and does not pose any environmental risks. If access is granted, we will require that appropriate indemnification and bonding be provided. We have also relayed this agreement to the Conservancy.

Should you have any questions, please contact me. Again, thanks to you and staff in helping to move this process forward.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tom Jones".

Tom Jones
Sr. Vice President
Collier Resources Company