



September 29, 2025

Ms. Lisa Ramundo
Albany Co. Dept. of Public Works
449 New Salem Road
Voorheesville, New York

RE: Amendment #3 Request – Ongoing Spill Remediation Services
Albany Co. Dept. of Public Works, 449 New Salem Road, Voorheesville, NY
NYSDEC Spill # 15-08318

Dear Ms. Ramundo,

As you know, LaBella Associates, D.P.C. (LaBella) has been supporting the Albany County Department of Public Works (DPW) with remedial efforts associated with a historical gasoline spill (Spill No. 15-08318) at the above-referenced site since 2020. There are many variables that influence pricing estimates for investigation, remediation, and monitoring work, including assumptions, unknown and/or changing conditions, regulatory involvement, market fluctuations, etc. and in some instances, budgets are insufficient to cover the work or anticipate the evolution of an environmental project.

After evaluation of the remaining funding that was approved under Amendment No. 2 (Contract 2024-2218) and comparison against the projected level of effort over the short- and long-term, LaBella is formally requesting additional funds to continue to provide ongoing spill remediation services and prevent any disruption in work. We anticipate that the injection of PetroFix™ by Regenesys that is scheduled for October 2025 will deplete and possibly exceed the remaining authorized funds, which were intended to cover additional post-remedial quarterly groundwater sampling and reporting.

This letter describes both additional funding needs related to previously approved services as well as placeholder funds to cover additional investigation, remedial action, or inspection and monitoring that may be required, depending on the success of the remedial effort planned for October 2025 (a.k.a the PetroFix™ Application) and the requirements of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC).

The following bullets describe the additional services necessary to implement the PetroFix™ application beyond LaBella's June 2024 Budget Estimate:

- Additional day of drilling and oversight activities to install application wells;
- Additional field effort to develop application wells;
- Unanticipated accumulation of sediment in application wells, which required evaluation and troubleshooting to resolve;
- Increased market cost to purchase proprietary remedial product and applicable sales tax;
- Substantial increase in estimated duration of field work to inject the planned volume based on infiltration testing results;



- Additional technical measures taken based on guidance from product supplier;
- Change in planned staff mix based on technical experience and availability;
- Increased level of effort to properly plan and execute Petrofix application and ensure it can be completed during a 2-week window in October before colder weather and while schedules allow;
- Additional equipment and materials cost to design and fabricate/rehab specialty equipment so product can be applied to up to six wells simultaneously to maximize product delivery time;
- Potential need for overtime to fully empty batches of material;
- Additional effort to survey wells and incorporate into existing well elevation survey; and
- Additional reporting effort to incorporate remedial efforts into quarterly monitoring reports.

Additionally, the following services are necessary related to the groundwater monitoring program:

- Inspection and documentation of necessary well repairs, which include broken well covers and road boxes at no less than four monitoring wells in the well network;
- Completion of the appropriate well repairs;
- Characterization and disposal of drums of gasoline-impacted water will become necessary for the two drums presently located on-site in the next 3-6 months;
- Use of a 2-person sampling team to complete field work, travel, and sample delivery to service center during an 8-hr day onsite; and
- Addition of drafting/CAD specialist to update CAD drawings for quarterly monitoring reports.

To minimize the number of additional funding requests and look ahead to future potential needs, we discussed what work may be required by NYSDEC beyond 2025 and the remaining 8 quarterly groundwater monitoring events that were previously funded. Although a defined scope is contingent upon how successful the PetroFix™ application is in reducing dissolved-phase concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs), any of the following activities could become necessary at the site.

- The need to flush monitoring and/or application wells in the existing network of either residual PetroFix™ or accumulated sand/sediment in the wells;
- Additional source area delineation upgradient of MW-3;
- Additional groundwater remediation event(s) using the same or different remedial technology;
- Additional data interpretation and/or groundwater modeling;
- Management of additional drums/containers of investigation-derived waste;
- Regulatory coordination with NYSDEC including preparation of work plans or reports; and
- Continuation of the routine groundwater program to monitor the presence of VOC concentrations above standards.

The Original Contract and subsequent amendments have relied on billing rates negotiated in 2019, which no longer effectively cover labor costs. We are proposing that effective January 1, 2026, the following rates be used.



Labor Category	Hourly Rate
Environmental Technician	\$75.00
Environmental Scientist/Sr. Env. Technician	\$85.00
Staff Geologist/Engineer	\$95.00
Project Scientist/Engineer	\$115.00
Sr. Project Professional	\$125.00
Sr. Project Manager	\$150.00
Principal/Technical Advisor	\$175.00

LaBella is proposing an amendment comprised of the following amounts, which will be invoiced monthly on a time and materials basis. A more defined scope of work and level of effort for the Task 15 placeholder funds will be presented to the DPW as it becomes clearer and as feedback is provided from NYSDEC:

AMENDMENT #3 BUDGET ESTIMATE

<u>Supplement for PetroFix Application (Task 12)*</u>	<u>\$57,175</u>
<u>Well Repairs and Waste Disposal (Task 14)</u>	<u>\$7,500</u>
<u>Supplement for 8 Groundwater Monitoring Events (Tasks 9&10)</u>	<u>\$8,000</u>
<u>Additional Spill Remediation Efforts Placeholder (Task 15)</u>	<u>\$100,000</u>
<u>Contingency (may apply to any task)</u>	<u>\$25,000</u>
<u>Amendment #3 Total:</u>	<u>\$197,675</u>

LaBella appreciates the opportunity to continue to support Albany County DPW with their environmental remediation consulting needs. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact us at (838) 946-5170.

Sincerely,

LABELLA ASSOCIATES, D.P.C.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Caroline Bardwell".

Caroline Bardwell, PG
Senior Project Manager