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Dilworth Paxson's Environmental Group advises clients on all aspects of environmental law, including:

- Environmental Aspects of Business and Real Estate Transactions

We assist clients with environmental issues that arise in business transactions. This includes performing due diligence to identify and evaluate environmental issues and liabilities, drafting and negotiating environmental terms and agreements, and the post-closing management of identified environmental issues. Transactions also often require filings with or approvals from environmental agencies, such as under New Jersey's Industrial Site Recovery Act or the transfer of environmental permits. In addition, various tools, such as environmental insurance, can be often be utilized to manage risk associated with environmental liabilities.

- Brownfields Redevelopment

We help clients in the process of redeveloping properties with potential environmental issues. We have experience with the various state Brownfields programs such as Pennsylvania's Land Recycling Program (Act 2) and New Jersey's Site Remediation Program. We also counsel clients on issues unique to Brownfield sites such as use limitations due to the presence of environmental contamination. Also, we can assist clients in identifying potential sources of governmental funding and grants.

- Contaminated Sites/Superfund/Natural Resource Damages

We represent clients in all aspects of the law relating to contaminated sites. This often involves negotiations with federal or state environmental agencies and other potentially responsible parties relating to the implementation of environmental investigations and cleanups. We also represent clients in Natural Resource Damage claims brought by federal and state trustees. We also work closely with our litigation practice to recover costs incurred in responding to contaminated sites.

- Environmental Counseling and Corporate Environmental Management

We provide counseling advice regarding the applicability and interpretation of environmental laws and regulations to ensure that clients can operate their businesses in compliance with environmental laws. We also assist clients in the development of environmental management systems and audit programs.

- Environmental Enforcement

In those instances where an environmental agency alleges that a client is violating an environmental law or requirement, we represent the company in front of the environmental

agency to resolve those allegations. In those instances where such violations cannot be resolved administratively, Dilworth Paxson's environmental lawyers work closely with their litigation practice to defend civil or criminal environmental prosecutions.

- Environmental Permitting

We assist clients in obtaining permits necessary for both project development and on-going operations such as air, water, municipal and hazardous waste, and wetlands permits. In those instances where the permit contains unacceptable conditions or is challenged by third parties, we can also represent the client in any necessary appeals.

- Climate Change/Sustainability

There is high demand to conduct business today in an environmentally sustainable manner. Emerging public reporting requirements can put businesses that fail to do so under a microscope from regulators, investors and customers. Many companies find that employing sustainable business practices not only provides environmental protection but also enhances the bottom line. We can assist clients in navigating these issues. In addition, we are available to assist clients in the emerging area of "green" building practices and LEED certification.

Client Successes

- Philadelphia Inquirer, Daily News and Philly.com Acquisition