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Dear EJ Suppliers,

## Re: EJ Deemed Essential Business

We are in uncertain times related to COVID-19 and the situation is fluid and changing constantly. Recent federal and state mandates concerning "shelter in place" and "stay at home" orders, include the directive from the Department of Homeland Security concerning critical infrastructure operations.

As the Nation comes together to slow the spread of COVID-19 the President, on March 16<sup>th</sup>, issued updated Coronavirus Guidance for America. This guidance states that: "If you work in a critical infrastructure industry, as defined by the Department of Homeland Security, such as healthcare services and pharmaceutical and food supply, you have a special responsibility to maintain your normal work schedule". EJ, with our range of infrastructure products – telecommunications, energy, water and wastewater - is deemed an "essential business".

## EJ products are critical to continued infrastructure viability for our country's security and public safety.

As a supplier to EJ, we are seeking your continued support and partnership. We are hopeful that we can continue to produce critical products and operate safely in these challenging times. We want to reaffirm to you that you should continue operating in support of EJ, while taking into consideration your individual company guidelines that support a work structure in line with guidance as issued by the Centers for Disease Control or your local health authorities.

Together we must communicate and collaborate to ensure our supply chain remains as strong as possible. Please work directly with your EJ procurement team member to communicate all supply changes that may happen with your business as a result of the COIV-19 situation.

Thank you for your continued partnership during this unprecedented time.

Sincerely,

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