



Honorable Senator Javan E. James, Sr.  
Chairman, Committee on Youth, Sports, Parks and Recreation  
#3022 Estate Golden Rock  
Christiansted, VI 00820

November 30, 2020

Re: Bill No. 33-0275 Committee on Finance hearing June 5, 2020  
Testimony of John R. Wessel, Managing Member, GEC, LLC

Dear Senator James,

Thank you for your invitation to testify regarding Paul E. Joseph Stadium on November 30, 2020.

Following is my proposed Testimony:

The mat slab for the Paul E. Joseph Stadium foundation is ready to pour concrete.

However, at the request of the Department of Planning and Natural Resources (DPNR), we await approval of the CLOMR (Conditional Letter of Map Revision) from FEMA prior to proceeding with pouring concrete in the mat slab or performing any further earthwork. This CLOMR is required because the Paul E. Joseph Stadium and associated improvements are being made in a FEMA Flood Zone.

The request for a CLOMR application was prepared after the Government of the Virgin Islands approved the final site plan, was completed on September 15, 2020, and is under review by both DPNR and FEMA. Its review is being expedited at the request of the Government of the Virgin Islands.

Once the CLOMR response is received we will be able to address any issues it raises and resume work on the Paul E. Joseph Stadium, Terrence Martin Little League Field, Festival Village, and associated site improvements.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'John R. Wessel', written over a light blue horizontal line.

John R. Wessel  
Managing Member, GEC, LLC

Cc: Calvert White, Commissioner, Sports, Parks and Recreation  
Nelson Petty, Commissioner, Department of Public Works  
James Grum, Capital Improvement Projects Engineering Administrator  
Jon Adams, Vice President, GEC, LLC  
Janis Persaud, Secretary, GEC, LLC