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Subject: FW: PCB Notice #1 for Biogenesis Enterprises, Oak Creek, WI BRRTS 02-41-107191

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Subject: RE: PCB Notice #1 for Biogenesis Enterprises, Oak Creek, WI BRRTS 02-41-107191

Hi Linda,

Thank you for the submittal. Based on the levels of PCB detected during the site investigation thus far, I concur that the site falls under a Type B designation per the MOA. If, during the cleanup action you find additional PCB contamination (e.g. > 50 ppm) that makes it potentially Type A or C, please contact us.

Thank you,

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Hello Peter,

Please find attached the Notification Form for the Biogenesis Enterprises site in Oak Creek (DNR BRRTS 02-41-107191), which has PCB contamination in soil. The RP letter is also attached. Although the RP letter was sent in 1995, no PCB sampling occurred at the site until 2017, which was reported to DNR in August 2018. The source of the PCBs is leaking drums associated with the Biogenesis/BioVersal company that was in operation there from 1990 until ~2016. Biogenesis provided mobile soil/sediment washing treatment processes and manufactured chemicals, primarily for use in industrial cleaning, and for soil and sediment remediation. Over 600 pages of SDSs were included in the SIR. I have attached a site figure that shows the extent of PCBs in soil, and the data tables (in black & white to save MBs). The highest total PCBs concentration detected so far is 18.7 mg/kg, but the SI is not yet complete.

The Phase I and SI reports (in color) are available on DNR's BRRTS on the Web, if you would like more information:
<https://dnr.wi.gov/botw/GetActivityDetail.do?adn=0241107191&crumb=0>

I believe that this is a Type B site, and the current remedial plan is to excavate and landfill the hot spots (some as haz waste), which have chlorinated contaminants as well as PCBs. After that, the site will be capped with a new industrial warehouse and parking lot. The RP is hoping to complete the remediation soon so that they can begin that development this fall.

Could you let me know if the RP also needs to send a notification to you? Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Linda

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