



March 9, 2020

CHRIS HAESE
CITY OF NEENAH – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
211 WALNUT ST
NEENAH WI 54956

SUBJECT: Demolition of Building, Vapor Mitigation Components and Treatment System
Donaldson's One Hour Cleaners (Former), 110 W. Cecil St., Neenah, WI
BRRTS #: 02-71-110797

Dear Mr. Haese:

On March 3, 2020, the city of Neenah (the "City") provided the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) with an updated schedule of activities associated with the February 3, 2020 Consent to Raze the building at 110 West Cecil Street in Neenah, Wisconsin (the "Property"). The Consent to Raze is in response to the City's November 19, 2019 Raze Order due to the health concern from the vermin problem and unsafe building at the Property.

Activities planned by the City include demolition of the on-site commercial building, leaving the building slab, foundation and surrounding asphalt in place at this time. The active vapor mitigation system installed in 2014 will be shut down and the above-grade components removed as part of this action. Activities also include demolition of the antiquated groundwater extraction and soil vapor extraction treatment system ("GW/SVE treatment system") associated with the Property. On March 3, 2020, the City requested DNR advise how to proceed with the groundwater extraction well, EW1, that is part of the GW/SVE treatment system.

The GW/SVE treatment system was constructed in 2000 as part of the response actions for the chlorinated volatile organic compounds released at the Property and operated intermittently between 2001 and 2007. EW1 is connected to the GW/SVE treatment building. The last groundwater sampling event for the site took place in May 2016 but did not include monitoring of EW1. There are currently no investigation or cleanup actions planned for this site. Operation and maintenance of the GW/SVE treatment system required under Wis. Admin. Code § NR 724.13(1)(b) is not taking place.

Based on the health concern, unsafe conditions of the Property and lack of required operation and maintenance of the GW/SVE treatment system, including EW1, the DNR is authorizing the City to demolish the GW/SVE treatment system, including abandonment of EW1 in accordance with Wis. Admin. Code § NR 141.25. This includes submittal of the abandonment documentation as required under Wis. Admin. Code § NR 141.25(4). All other local, state and federal ordinances, rules, laws and regulations must be met regarding the disposal of the GW/SVE treatment system components.

Upon completion of the planned activities, the DNR requests the City submit a written status update documenting the building demolition, including removal of the vapor mitigation system components, GW/SVE treatment system and abandonment of EW1. Post-demolition photos will be appreciated. This

documentation will assist DNR in future conversations with the responsible parties, City and other stakeholders regarding additional environmental actions and redevelopment of the site.

Thank you for continuing to coordinate with DNR as the City moves forward to address the health and safety issues. Please contact me with any questions by phone at 920-424-7887 or by email at jennifer.borski@wisconsin.gov.

Sincerely,



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