From: Mejac, Mark [MEJAC@stsconsultants.com]

Sent: Monday, November 06, 2006 10:15 AM

To: Kuehling, Harlan H - DNR

Subject: Reedsbburg Cleaners

#### Dear Hank,

Thank you very much for forwarding your approval letter via fax. As discussed, STS intends to maintain similar terms of errors and omissions insurance as those that were emailed to you on November 3, 2006. Please let me know if you have any questions concerning this matter. Thank you, Mark

Mark M. Mejac, P.G. STS Consultants, Ltd. 11425 W. Lake Park Dr. Milwaukee, WI 53224-3025 Direct Dial: (414) 577-1364

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From: Sent:

Mejac, Mark [MEJAC@stsconsultants.com] Wednesday, November 01, 2006 11:44 AM

To:

Kuehling, Harlan H - DNR

Subject:

Reedsburg Cleaners

Attachments:

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From:

Soellner, Jeffrey K - DNR

Sent:

Thursday, November 02, 2006 4:08 PM

To:

Kuehling, Harlan H - DNR; Nettesheim, Denise G - DNR

Subject:

FW: PLEASE REVIEW ASAP - WORK STARTS MONDAY! - Draft RA Approval Letter -

Reedsburg Cleaners

Attachments:

Reedsburg Cleaners Soil RA approval ltr 11-06.doc

I made a slight change in the NR code reference to make it a bit more general because there are other places in the code that might restrict the reimbursement of the payment as well. <u>Just a suggestion</u> but it was *just fine as it is* too Hank. A very complete letter. Jeff

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From:

Kuehling, Harlan H - DNR

Sent:

Thursday, November 02, 2006 2:29 PM

To:

Soellner, Jeffrey K - DNR; Nettesheim, Denise G - DNR

Subject:

PLEASE REVIEW ASAP - WORK STARTS MONDAY! - Draft RA Approval Letter - Reedsburg Cleaners

Hi, Jeff and Denise,

Please review my draft approval letter as soon as you can. Soil excavation is scheduled to start next Monday, Nov. 6th, in order to remove and replace soil and pavement and get the site paved again before the asphalt plants shut down for the season soon.



Reedsburg leaners Soil RA app.

Given the reason for the rush noted above, is there any reason that the soil excavation can't start on Monday morning, if we approve of the plan and details noted in the draft approval letter?

I'll check in with you both as soon as I can tomorrow morning (I apologize in advance for being a pest, since you both have been out of the office for most or all of this week). Thanks very much for your help on this (challenging) project.

Hank

From:

Kuehling, Harlan H - DNR

Sent:

Wednesday, November 01, 2006 5:03 PM

To:

'Mejac, Mark'

Subject:

RE: Reedsburg Cleaners

#### Mark

Here are a few comments and questions on the submittal.

The letter should be addressed to Wayne Butz, not me. He has the lead in this process and is the one who will sign the acceptance block.

The second paragraph on Page 1 refers to a 10/17/2006 letter that has not been received by DNR. Can you send a copy? Also listed here is a total contractor cost of \$41,280, but the line item in the table lists expenses (I assume this is the total excavation contractor cost) as \$44,680. Am I missing something?

Temporary soil storage at the Zobel quarry must be on plastic sheeting, or equivalent. The storage must also comply with the other NR 718 requirements.

It is not clear in the STS 9/26/06 proposal that all of the information required in NR 169.23(9)(b) regarding insurance was submitted. Does the insurance cover errors & omissions? Does the insurer have an A.M. Best rating of A-? Is the policy an occurrence-based or claims-made policy? If it is claims-made, will it be in effect for 3 subsequent years? Is there a deductible?

Do you have a line-item project proposal from the excavator? I'd like to see more detail on the scope of work and costs per task.

That all for now. Thanks.

#### Hank

----Original Message----

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November 1, 2006

Mr. Hank Kuehling, P.G. Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources 3911 Fish Hatchery Road Fitchburg, WI 53711-5397

RE:

Proposal for Remedial Action Scope of Work Reedsburg Cleaners 349 E. Main Street, Reedsburg, WI

BRRTS# 02-57-001682

STS Proposal No. 200605868

Dear Mr. Kuehling:

As a follow-up to our telephone conversation earlier today, STS Consultants, Ltd. (STS) appreciates the opportunity to provide this revised addendum to our "Proposal for Remedial Action Services" dated September 26, 2006, associated with the Reedsburg Cleaners site in Reedsburg, Wisconsin. Pursuant to our conversation, STS has reduced the proposed scope of work to the following tasks:

- 1. Excavation of Impacted Vadose Zone Soil
- 2. Completion of Baseline Groundwater Monitoring Event
- 3. Completion of Construction Documentation Report
- 4. Completion of Post-Excavation Groundwater Monitoring Event

The updated work scopes and estimated costs associated with these tasks are identified below and summarized in the attached Table 1.

#### SOIL EXCAVATION, DISPOSAL, AND BACKFILLING

As discussed, STS has received cost proposals from two local soil excavation, disposal, and backfilling contractors at the request of Mr. Wayne Butz. As indicated in the STS letter dated October 17, 2006, these tasks can be completed for an estimated total contractor cost of \$41,280. Additional costs would be incurred for the excavation, transport and disposal of hazardous waste soil, or non-hazardous waste soil in excess of the estimated total of 930 tons. This updated contractor cost is indicated in the attached Table 1.

#### CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTATION REPORT

Pursuant to WAC NR 724.15, a Construction Documentation Report will be prepared subsequent to the implementation of remedial action, which will include the following information: excavation drawings, a summary of the remedial action, and documentation that the excavation was carried out in accordance with the plans and specifications; an explanation of any minor changes to the plans and the rationale for those changes; and a description of the public health and environmental laws applicable to the contamination and the remedial action.



Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources STS Proposal No. 200605868 November 1, 2006

#### **GROUNDWATER MONITORING**

As we discussed earlier today, the WDNR requests completion of a baseline groundwater monitoring event concurrent or shortly after completion of the soil excavation task, followed by a post-excavation groundwater monitoring event approximately six months after completion of soil excavation, for a total of two groundwater monitoring events. Each of these two groundwater monitoring events will include laboratory analysis of ten collected groundwater samples (and one duplicate sample) for volatile organic compounds (VOCs), and field analysis for dissolved oxygen, pH, and oxidation-reduction potential. The second groundwater monitoring event will include preparation of a groundwater monitoring report for submittal to the WDNR. Based on this revised scope of work, estimated costs for the two groundwater monitoring events are provided in Table 1.

### CLOSING

Respectfully,

Based on the reduced scope of work documented herein, the updated estimated project cost identified in Table 1 totals \$66,972. The proposed Conditions of Service and Fee Schedule remain consistent with those provided as part of STS' "Proposal for Remedial Action Services" dated September 26, 2006. If the terms of the services proposed herein are acceptable to you, please provide your signature in the space provided below and return one copy to the undersigned. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you again for the opportunity to provide remedial action services associated with this matter.

STS CONSULTANTS, LTD.

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED:

Mark M. Mejac, P.G., C.G.W.P.
Senior Project Scientist – Hydrogeologist

Jeanne M. Tarvin, P.G., C.P.G.
Senior Principal Scientist – Hydrogeologist

Enclosure: Table 1

cc: Mr. Wayne Butz

# Table 1 Estimated Project Costs Reedsburg Cleaners, Reedsburg, Wisconsin STS Proposal No. 200605868

| Description                                 | Principal | Sr. Consultant | Consultant | Sr. Tech | Technician | Drafting | Clerical | Expenses  | TOTAL        | Comments   |
|---|-----------|----------------|------------|----------|------------|----------|----------|-----------|--------------|--|
| Pre-Excavation                              |           |                |            |          |            |          |          |           |              |  |
| Coordination/Management                     | 2         | 14             | 4          | 4        |            |          | 2        | \$ 200    | \$ 2,970.00  | ·  |
| Excavation of PCE-Impacted Soil/USTs        | 2         | 10             | 12         | 40       |            |          | 4        | \$ 44,680 |              | Excavation, Transportation, Disposal, Backfill, Pavement Contractors |
| Construction Documentation Report           | 4         | 14             | 20         |          |            | 8        | 10       | \$ 100    | \$ 5,376.00  |  |
| Groundwater Monitoring/Reporting (2 events) | 2         | 12             | 12         | 24       | 20         | 8        | 8        | \$ 1,610  | \$ 8,256.00  | Analytical Laboratory  |
| TOTAL HOURS                                 | 10        | 50             | 48         | 68       | 20         | 16       | 24       | \$ 46,590 | \$ 66,972.00 |  |
| RATE  | \$ 155.00 | \$ 120.00      | \$ 103.00  | \$ 69.00 | \$ 59.00   | \$ 57.00 | \$ 46.00 | 1         |              |  |
| TOTAL COST                                  | \$ 1,550  | \$ 6,000       | \$ 4,944   | \$ 4,692 | \$ 1,180   | \$ 912   | \$ 1,104 | \$ 46,590 | \$ 66,972    |  |

**TOTAL PROJECT** 

66 072

#### Notes

1. Soil/UST excavation, disposal, backfill and pavement contractor cost = \$41,280; on-site mobile laboratory = \$2,900 (\$1,450/day).

2. Unit laboratory cost for groundwater sample analysis is \$55 for VOCs.

3. One duplicate groundwater sample per monitoring event will be submitted for laboratory analysis of VOCs.

4. Subcontractor costs do not include markups, as subcontractor markup costs are not reimbursable under DERF.

Accepted

Rejected

State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Box 7921, Madison, WI 53707-7921

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From:

Kuehling, Harlan H - DNR

Sent:

Monday, October 30, 2006 11:48 AM

To:

Soellner, Jeffrey K - DNR

Subject:

RE: Reedsburg Cleaners claim, electronically delivered.

Thanks for sending this, Jeff. Between not seeing the reimbursement request and my forgetting that I have a role in processing the request (even though I went through the training session last February), I didn't realize that I should follow-up with you when you sent the acknowledgement letter to Wayne Butz in July. I apologize. I will get the materials summarized as necessary in the February training notes to you this week while you are away.

Thanks for your time on the phone this morning.

Hank

From:

Soellner, Jeffrey K - DNR

Sent:

Monday, October 30, 2006 9:44 AM

To:

Kuehling, Harlan H - DNR

Subject:

Reedsburg Cleaners claim, electronically delivered.

#### Hi Hank,

This looks like a complete claim that I only printed out a few sheets and assumed that you had received the same thing. Sorry I didn't send this to you sooner Hank. I think we seriously need to think about changing this claim to the interim action that you spoke about. Jeff

<< Message: Reedsburg Cleaners >> << Message: Reedsburg Cleaners >> << Message: DC-163 Reedsburg ack ltr DERF payment request >>

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From:

Soellner, Jeffrey K - DNR

Sent:

Friday, July 14, 2006 1:43 PM

To:

Kuehling, Harlan H - DNR

Subject:

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Attachments:

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Hey Hank,

I thought Mark was going to send this to both of us..? Jeff





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