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February 11, 2022

Mr. Joel Smullen Marquette University 517 North 14th Street Milwaukee, WI 53213

Subject: PFAS Groundwater Sampling

Former Taxman Investments Company 1214 West Wells Street, Milwaukee, WI BRRTS #: 02-41-152248, FID #: 241086120

Dear Mr. Smullen:

As we discussed in our phone conversation on February 10, 2022, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is requesting PFAS groundwater sampling at the subject site. The DNR originally requested PFAS sampling in a letter dated January 7, 2020 and Marquette University responded with a letter dated March 3, 2020 stating no information had been found that would indicate the possible use or release of PFAS compounds at the site.

The March 3, 2020 response letter did not provide sufficient information or documentation to exclude PFAS use by at least three dry-cleaning facilities that operated at the site between 1961 and 2008. No information was provided regarding dry-cleaning services that may have been offered by the facilities or whether the facilities used, handled, or stored PFAS-containing products. A significant discharge of dry-cleaning solvent and/or waste solvent occurred at this site that may include PFAS-containing products.

The DNR is requesting a minimum of one round of PFAS groundwater sampling at piezometer PZ-1R. The piezometer is located in the area where groundwater has been most impacted by a dry-cleaning solvent discharge. Additional groundwater sampling may be requested based on the initial sampling results.

The DNR appreciates the efforts you are taking to address the contamination at this site. If Marquette University or your environmental consultant have questions concerning this letter, require additional information, or would like to arrange a phone call to discuss this request, please contact me at (262) 202-3921 or john.moll@wisconsin.gov. This case is being transitioned to a new project manager, Greg S. Michael at (414) 405-1203 or greg.michael@wisconsin.gov. I will be coordinating the transition with Greg and will be available during this time.

Sincerely,

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