



December 20, 2019

Ms. Irene Chyrka
Brew City Enterprises, LLC
4021 S. Kinnickinnic Avenue
St. Francis, WI 53235

SUBJECT: Request for Status Update
MPL Corp. Wire & Metal Specialties
4021 S. Kinnickinnic Ave., St. Francis, WI 53235
DNR BRRTS Activity # 02-41-184461; DNR FID # 241039920

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Dear Ms. Chyrka:

On April 30, 2012 the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) notified you of your responsibility to investigate and, as needed, clean up contamination at the above-referenced property. As the responsible party of this property you have certain legal responsibilities, as outlined in Wis. Stat. § 292.11(3), also known as the hazardous spills law. Wis. Stat. § 292.11(3) states:

- **RESPONSIBILITY.** A person who possesses or controls a hazardous substance which is discharged or who causes the discharge of a hazardous substance shall take the actions necessary to restore the environment to the extent practicable and minimize the harmful effects from the discharge of the air, lands or waters of the State.

On September 21, 2018 the DNR received "Letter Report for the Former MPL Corp. Wire and Metal Specialists," (Letter Report) prepared by Ready Earth Consulting, Inc. (Ready Earth). The DNR has not had any correspondence regarding the site since a meeting between the DNR Project Manager, Joseph Martinez, and Jason Bartley of Ready Earth on January 9, 2019. The following actions are required to get this case back on track toward remediation of the existing contamination and ultimately, DNR case Closure.

1. Within the next **30 days, by January 19, 2020**, submit written verification (such as a letter from a consultant) that you have hired an environmental consultant and have finalized an agreement to continue the environmental investigation. You or your environmental consultant may arrange to review the DNR's case file by contacting Jennifer Dorman at (414) 263-8683 or by email at Jennifer.dorman@wisconsin.gov.
2. Within the next **60 days, by February 18, 2020**, submit documentation summarizing the current status of the project and a work plan outlining the schedule for completing the investigation. The work plan must comply with the requirements in Wis. Admin. Code, chs. NR 700 through NR 754. For additional assistance, visit the DNR web page at dnr.wi.gov and search "brownfield publications." Prior to and during a site investigation, you must evaluate whether any interim actions are needed to contain or stabilize a hazardous substance discharge or environmental pollution, pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § NR 708.11. If you undertake an interim action (e.g., free product removal), you must submit documentation of the action per Wis. Admin. Code § NR 708.15.

3. The September 21, 2018, Letter Report contains sub-slab vapor sample data indicating that Trichloroethene (TCE) vapor is present under the on-site building at concentrations exceeding the vapor risk screening level. Additional vapor sampling is necessary to define the degree and extent of vapor contamination. The identified concentrations of TCE indicate that vapor mitigation is necessary on-site. As TCE has acute health risks, provide your plans to assess and mitigate the vapor risk as soon as possible. In addition, inform the DNR of the current site occupancy.
4. TCE concentrations in vapor and groundwater in the northeast corner of the property suggest that a risk of vapor intrusion may be present on the neighboring property to the north, located at 4005 S. Kinnickinnic Avenue, St Francis, WI. An assessment must be conducted to determine whether vapor intrusion could be an issue at the neighboring property. If the assessment suggests that the risk exists, then an attempt should be made to contact the property owner and arrange for the collection of groundwater and, if needed, vapor samples on this property.

A lack of response to this letter may result in the initiation of formal enforcement actions. Forward the requested updates, detailing the current status of the case, and all future correspondence to:

Jennifer Dorman
Remediation and Redevelopment Program
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
2300 N. Dr. Martin Luther King Dr.
Milwaukee, WI 53212
jennifer.dorman@wisconsin.gov

If you have any questions regarding this letter, contact the DNR Project Manager, Joseph Martinez, at (414) 263-8705, or by email at joseph.martinez@wisconsin.gov.

Sincerely,



Joseph J. Martinez
Hydrogeologist – Remediation and Redevelopment Program
Southeast Region

Cc: SER case file
Jason Bartley – Ready Earth Consulting, Inc. (e-copy)