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Subject: Vapor Mitigation Audit Explanation

American Red Cross Building at 1302 East Wisconsin Avenue, Appleton, WI

BRRTS Activity # 02-45-192316

Dear Mr. Hansen:

It is our understanding that a property transaction is pending for the property listed above, and as part of that transaction you are looking for clarification on the purpose and scope of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources' (DNR's) upcoming audit of the building's vapor mitigation system.

On November 18, 2010, the DNR issued a closure letter for the environmental cleanup that occurred on the property for BRRTS Activity # 02-45-192316. Please refer to that closure letter for details on the conditions of closure, the continuing obligations for the property, and for a copy of the maintenance plan for the vapor system. Operation and maintenance of the vapor mitigation system is one of the requirements (i.e., continuing obligations) assigned by the DNR to the owner of this property for protection from contaminant vapors that remain beneath the building.

Following closure, the DNR can audit properties that have continuing obligations. In the upcoming year, the DNR plans to complete a comprehensive audit of all closed sites that have a continuing obligation to maintain vapor mitigation systems. I am working with Ariana Mankerian, DNR, on this comprehensive audit and Ariana will visit each property. The purpose is to evaluate the overall level of compliance, and to remind property owners of the purpose and need for maintaining the vapor mitigation system. The DNR's audit will not involve testing and will not constitute verification of the system's overall performance.

General information about vapor intrusion can be found at <u>dnr.wi.gov</u>, search "vapor intrusion". If you have further questions you can contact me at (608) 266-3084, or Jennifer Borski, the DNR Project Manager for the site, at (920) 424-7887.

Sincerely,

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Vapor Intrusion Team Leader

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