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Sent: Wednesday, April 8, 2020 11:15 AM **To:** Jason Powell (jasonp@metcohq.com)

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Subject: Steve's Corner Bar - MW Abandonment

Jason,

I just wanted to let you know that there was some discussion on a call this morning about sending a remaining actions letter for MW abandonment at the Steve's Corner Bar site (BRRTS #03-02-199424) prior to the lien document being recorded at the ROD in Ashland County. The Closure Committee agreed at our March meeting that the site was ready to close after closure packet edits had been received and the lien was finalized. On March 17, METCO submitted the last of the requested closure packet revisions to the DNR, and at that point, we had been waiting for the 60-day period to expire before the lien could be recorded and we moved forward with the rest of the closure process. However, because it is the DNR's responsibility to finalize the lien (after 60 days Central Office sends the lien document to the ROD advising them to record it), we decided that you can abandon the monitoring wells prior to the lien being recorded, as it will likely help move the site toward closure more quickly. It's hard to say if county offices are open or functioning at their normal capacity during the current COVID-19 emergency, so it's difficult to say how the recording of the lien on or after April 26 will go. We will obviously still need monitoring well abandonment forms prior to sending the final closure letter. If we go this route, we can forgo a remaining actions letter; if the lien process has been finalized prior to us receiving abandonment forms, we will proceed in the usual way and send a remaining actions letter.

Also, please remember to properly dispose of any investigative waste such as soil cuttings or purge water, if there is any remaining in drums at the site.

Hope that all made sense. Please let me know if you have any questions or would like something clarified further.

Grant

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