



December 17, 2018

Adam Bachand
Bachand Real Estate Corp
722 Tower Avenue
Superior, WI 54880

RE: **Public Bidding Deferred – Cost Cap Approved**

DNR BRRTS # 03-16-000069 **PECFA # 54873-0057-11-A**
Smiths Union 76, Hwy 53 & Hughes Ave, Solon Springs

On December 12, 2018, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (Department) received a scope of work (SOW) and cost estimate utilizing the chapter NR 747, Wisconsin Administrative Code, Usual and Customary Cost Schedule (Cost Schedule) for the site referenced above.

The Department has determined that the submitted SOW is reasonable and **approves** the additional costs. This site will be deferred from the public bidding process at this time. The Department will contact you if this site will be bid in the future.

This Variance Costs approval is to have a Professional Engineer conduct a file and closure request review and to sign the closure request for further departmental review.

File/Document Review by Professional Engineer for six (6) hours @ \$85/hour = \$510.00. A copy of the Department worksheet for the Cost Schedule tasks is enclosed for your reference.

Deferralment Cost Cap Approved:

\$510.00

Be reminded that ch. NR 700 semi-annual progress reporting is required until this case is closed.

Note: A claim for PECFA reimbursement must be submitted within 180 days of incurring costs (i.e., completing a task). If a claim for costs incurred is not submitted within this deadline, the costs will not be eligible for PECFA reimbursement. If you need assistance with filing your claim, please contact Tim Prosa at (608) 261-7715.

Usual and customary costs for activities included in this approval will only be reimbursed at a rate equal to or less than what is allowed on the Cost Schedule, and are reimbursed based upon the Cost Schedule that is in effect at the time the activity is performed. Costs for activities not included in this approval are not reimbursable without prior Department authorization.

Regulatory Correspondence (Task 7, Activity RC05), Claim Submittal (Task 27, Activity CS05) and Standardized Invoice (Task 28, Activity SI05) costs are not included in the cap approved above. These activities will be reimbursed according to the task specifications and with submittal of proper supporting documentation at claim review time.

The Department approves a variance from the Cost Schedule for the Professional Engineer review of the closure review request and for sign off which includes a PE stamp. As a courtesy reminder, a Professional Geologist (PG) certification and stamp is required (in addition to the PE certification) for this site as well. Do not include these costs of \$510.00 (six hours at \$85/hr wage rate = \$510.00) on the standardized invoice for usual and customary cost activities. Include these costs on a separate company invoice. When you submit the claim for these costs, please attach a copy of this letter and the attached worksheet for the claim reviewer's reference. The Department waives the commodity three-bid requirement with this variance approval.

The Department considers the consultant the primary controller of costs during these activities. This approval does not guarantee eligibility of any specific costs that have been incurred or that may be incurred in the future. Final determination regarding the eligibility of costs will be made by the claim reviewer when the entire claim, including all invoices and reports, is submitted for payment.

Thank you for your efforts to protect Wisconsin's environment. If you have any questions, please contact me in writing at the letterhead address or by telephone at (608) 261-6543.

Sincerely,



Ralph N. Smith
Hydrogeologist
Remediation and Redevelopment Program

Enclosure: Variance Costs Approval Worksheet (December 17, 2018)
METCO Variance Costs Request for Closure (December 12, 2018)

cc: Jason Powell – METCO Agent/Consultant (via email and USPS)

Usual and Customary Standardized Invoice #24 July 2018- December 2018



RR-100a

PECFA #: **54873-0057-11-A** Vendor Name: METCO
 BRRTS #: **03-16-000069** Invoice #: _____
 Site Name: **Smiths Union 76 (Fmr)** Invoice Date: 17-Dec-18
 Site Address: 11427 S. Bus. Hwy 53, Solon Springs Check #: _____

U&C Total \$ -
 Variance to U&C Total \$ 510.00
 Grand Total \$ 510.00

TASK	TASK DESCRIPTION	SERVICES	ACTIVITY CODE	ACTIVITY REFERENCE CODE DESCRIPTION	UNIT	MAX UNIT COST	UNITS	TOTAL MAX
Variance	Professional Engineer Closure Approval Request Review with PE Stamp and Sign-off	Consultant	Variance	Professional Engineer Closure Approval Request Review with PE Stamp and Sign-off - quote for six hours at \$85/hour or \$510.00 total - see quote	Variance	\$ 85.00	6	\$ 510.00



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December 12, 2018

Ralph Smith
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
101 S. Webster Street, PO Box 7921
Madison, WI 53707

Subject: Smith's Union 76 Station – Variance Request for closure activities.
BRRTS #: 03-16-000069, PECFA #: 54873-0057-11-A

Dear Mr. Smith,

A variance request is being submitted for having a Professional Engineer conduct a file and closure request review and to sign the closure package (as required by the state) for the subject property located at 11427 S. Business Highway 53 in Solon Springs, Wisconsin. The cost estimate is as follows:

File/Document Review by Professional Engineer
(Variance: 6 hours @ \$85/hour = \$510.00)

METCO is requesting a bid deferment/variance in the amount of **\$510.00** to complete the above review. Upon state and client approval of the proposed workscope and budget, METCO will proceed with the project.

Should you have any questions, comments, or recommendations please contact me at our La Crosse office (608) 781-8879 or email at jasonp@metcohq.com.

Sincerely,

Jason T. Powell
Staff Scientist

c: Adam Bachand – Client