



October 25, 2017

Bobby L Godfrey and Rebecca L Godfrey
12553 Funnel Rd
Camp Douglas WI 54618

Subject: Reported Contamination at Grace's Store, 33768 State HWY 21, Camp Douglas, WI
DNR BRRTS Activity # 03-42-204862
PECFA # 54618-8018-68

Dear Mr. Godfrey and Ms. Godfrey:

On October 29, 1998, Gerald Johnson, Fluid Management, Inc., notified the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) that soil contamination had been detected at the site described above. Since that time, a site investigation was conducted and determined soil and groundwater contaminations is present in the vicinity of the former fuel oil tank and pump island area.

Based on the information that has been submitted to the DNR to date regarding this site, we believe you are the owner of the above-described site and are responsible for completing the investigation and restoring the environment under Section 292.11, Wisconsin Statutes, known as the hazardous substances spill law.

This letter describes the legal responsibilities of a person who is responsible under section 292.11, Wis. Stats., explains what you need to do to finish the investigation and cleanup process, and provides you with information about cleanups, environmental consultants, financial assistance, and working cooperatively with the DNR.

Legal Responsibilities:

Your legal responsibilities are defined both in statute and in administrative codes. The hazardous substances spill law, Section 292.11 (3) Wisconsin Statutes, 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 to the air, lands, or waters of the state.

Wisconsin Administrative Code chapters NR 700 through NR 754 establish requirements for emergency and interim actions, public information, site investigations, design and operation of remedial action systems, and case closure. Wisconsin Administrative Code chapter NR 140 establishes groundwater standards for contaminants that reach groundwater.

Steps to Take:

The longer contamination is left in the environment, the farther it can spread and the more it may cost to clean up. Quick action may lessen damage to your property and neighboring properties and reduce your costs in investigating and cleaning up the contamination.

A December 2012, Project Status Report by Meridian Environmental Consulting, LLC recommended the site be submitted for Closure with GIS Registry for Soil and Groundwater. To date, this has not been completed.

To ensure that your cleanup complies with Wisconsin's laws and administrative codes, you should hire a professional environmental consultant who understands what needs to be done. A list of Environmental Services Contractors is enclosed with this letter. The environmental consultant who has conducted the most recent work for the site is Mr. Kenneth Shimko of Meridian Environmental Consulting, LLC. His contact information is below:

Kenneth Shimko, Meridian Environmental Consulting, LLC, 2711 N Elco Rd, Fall Creek, WI 54742
Phone: (715) 832-6608 Email: kshimko.meridianenv@gmail.com

The following information provides the timeframes and required steps to take. Unless otherwise approved by DNR in writing you must complete the work by the timeframes specified.

1. Within the next **30 days**, by November 24, 2017, you should submit written verification (such as a letter from the consultant) that you have hired an environmental consultant. This includes the completion of the STAR Vendor Information form and W-9 form enclosed with this letter.

If you do not take action within this time frame, the DNR may initiate enforcement action against you.

2. Within **60 days**, by December 24, 2017, submit a Case Closure Request with GIS Registry for Soil and Groundwater. The Closure Request must comply with the requirements in the NR 700 Wis. Adm. Code rule series and should adhere to current DNR technical guidance documents. The cost to complete and submit this report is eligible for reimbursement through the Petroleum Environmental Cleanup Fund Award (PECFA) program. This work can be completed at no cost to you with the exception of the associated closure review and database fees.

Sites where discharges to the environment have been reported are entered into the Bureau for Remediation and Redevelopment Tracking System ("BRRTS"), a version of which appears on the DNR's internet site. You may view the information related to your site at any time (<http://dnr.wi.gov/botw/SetUpBasicSearchForm.do>) and use the feedback system to alert us to any errors in the data.

We have provided detailed technical guidance to environmental consultants. Your consultant is expected to know our technical procedures and administrative rules and should be able to answer your questions on meeting cleanup requirements.

All correspondence regarding this site should be sent to:

Matthew Vitale
Remediation and Redevelopment Program
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
1300 W Clairemont Ave
Eau Claire, WI 54701

Unless otherwise directed, submit one paper copy and one electronic copy of plans and reports. To speed processing, correspondence should reference the BRRTS and FID numbers (if assigned) shown at the top of this letter.

Additional Information for Site Owners:

We encourage you to visit our website at <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Brownfields/>, where you can find information on selecting a consultant, PECFA Program financial assistance, and understanding the cleanup process. You will also find information there about liability clarification letters, post-cleanup liability and more.

Information on selecting a consultant and environmental contamination, as well as the required forms are enclosed.

If you have questions, please call me at (715) 839-3760 for more information or visit the RR web site at the address above.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



Matthew Vitale
Hydrogeologist
Remediation & Redevelopment Program

Enclosures:

1. Selecting a Consultant – RR-502
2. Environmental Services Contractor List – RR-024
3. Environmental Contamination Basics, RR-674
4. Star Vendor Information form
5. W-9 Taxpayer Identification Number Verification form

cc: Kenneth Shimko, Meridian Environmental Consulting, LLC – email only