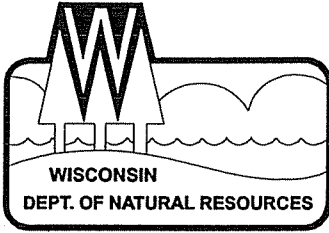


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February 26, 2002

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SUBJECT: Final Case Closure By Closure Committee
Fort James Ashland Mill Site, 2301 E Lakeshore Dr, Ashland, WI
WDNR BRRTS #: 03-02-185897 and 02-02-206947

Dear Mr. Toma:

On December 5, 2000, your site as described above was reviewed for closure by the Northern Region Closure Committee. This committee reviews environmental remediation cases for compliance with state laws and standards to maintain consistency in the closure of these cases. On January 11, 2001, you were notified that the Closure Committee had granted conditional closure to this case.

On February 19, 2002, the Department received correspondence indicating that you have complied with the conditions of closure, specifically, the proper abandonment of the monitoring wells on site. Based on the correspondence and data provided, it appears that your site has been remediated to Department standards in accordance with s. NR 726.05, Wis Adm Code. The Department considers this case closed and no further investigation, remediation or other action is required at this time.

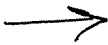
Please be aware that this case may be reopened pursuant to s. NR 726.09, Wis. Adm. Code, if additional information regarding site conditions indicates that contamination on or from the site poses a threat to public health, safety or welfare, or the environment.

The Department appreciates your efforts to restore the environment at this site. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at 715-365-8990.

Sincerely,
NORTHERN REGION

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