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10/1/2019

Kathy Potter 1547 County Rd D Emerald, WI 54013

> PECFA #54013-9999-00 BRRTs #03-56-000393 Site Name: Emerald Service Station - former Site Address: 1547 County Rd D, Emerald

Re: Action Required – PECFA Site

Dear Kathy Potter:

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources ("department") is contacting you regarding the property at 1547 County Rd D, Emerald. The department was notified in 8/30/1990 of petroleum contamination at the property. As the party identified as being responsible for the petroleum contamination, you have certain legal responsibilities to take action to clean up the contamination under Wis. Stats. § 292.11(3), known as the hazardous substance spill law. As the legal owner of the property, you may also have certain legal responsibilities under the hazardous substance spill law.]

Our records indicate that your site is still requires investigation and/or cleanup and is eligible for funding under the **Petroleum Environmental Cleanup Fund Award (PECFA)**, meaning reimbursement is available to you for the cleanup of petroleum contamination at your property. However, **funding for PECFA will end on June 30**, **2020**. As such, the department is working with property owners to clean up as many sites as possible while reimbursement funding is still available.

According to information in the case file, the last status report for your property was received on 11/8/2014. Because of the inaction at your site, we request that, by 11/1/2019, you:

- 1) Inform the department in writing of your plans to finish the necessary environmental response actions at this site. As part of this response, please include the name and contact information of your environmental consultant. If you do not have an environmental consultant, a list of PECFA-registered firms has been included for your convenience; or
- 2) Inform the department in writing of your plans to abandon the monitoring wells at this site. Please include the name and contact information of your environmental consultant. A list of PECFA-registered firms, and information on properly abandoning wells, has been included for your convenience; or
- 3) Provide access to the department to abandon the monitoring wells on your site. The department will hire a contractor to complete this work and incur these expenses as authorized under Wis. Stats. § 292.31(3). The department will file a lien against the above-referenced property in order to recover those costs, as authorized under Wis. Stat. 292.81. Prior to filing a lien, the department will send a second notice and draft lien detailing the amount of the lien that will be filed. An access agreement and return envelope has been included for your convenience should you choose this option.

If you act now, it is possible for environmental work to be done with minimal out of pocket costs to you, through the end of PECFA in June 2020. However, response to this notice and cooperation in moving the site toward case



closure are required in order to access PECFA reimbursements. Currently, for your site, there is a PECFA deductible of \$10,000.00 of which it has been reduced to \$2,500.00 and for which a lien was placed on your property on 11/2/2011 for this amount. Your site has a maximum reimbursement of \$190,000.00 with \$168,118.65 remaining.

The department would like to work with you to finish the response action at your site while PECFA reimbursement is still available. Your prompt attention to this request is appreciated.

If you have any questions regarding this notice or how to move your site forward, please contact me in writing at the letterhead address or by phone at 715-684-2914. I can also be reached by email at candace.sykora@wisconsin.gov.

Sincerely,

Candace Sykora Hydrogeologist Remediation and Redevelopment Program

cc: Dave Rozeboom Ron Anderson, METCO

Enc: PECFA Eligible Consulting Firms (RR-993) A Fact Sheet of Frequently Asked Questions about Temporary Monitoring Wells (RR-647) Access Agreement