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Mr. LeRoy Box
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Subject: Wards Corner Garage, BRRTS # 03-57-001693

Dear Mr. Box

My name is David Blair and I'm a hydrogeologist with the PECFA Bureau at the Wisconsin Department of Commerce. I'm on a six month employee interchange and will be working at the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) until the end of April 2010. While at the DNR I'm reviewing the case files for PECFA eligible contamination sites which due to financial reasons have not been able complete required site investigation or remedial action work. After the reviews I am then contacting people associated with these sites to explain new financing options available through the PECFA program.

After reviewing the file for the above referenced site it appears that you were at one time considering taking title to that property and completing the site investigation. For this reason I thought you may be interested in the new options. I have not been able to contact you by phone so I thought I would send a letter with a brief explanation of the new financial tools and my contact information.

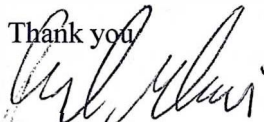
Consultant/Agent Commerce has a list of consultants that are willing to act as agents during the investigation and remediation of contaminated sites. If you contract with a consultant who is acting as your agent you don't need a bank loan to finance the clean-up. Instead the consultant/agent would carry the costs of the investigative or remedial work until the claim for the completed work is paid by the PECFA Bureau. In order to be paid in a timely fashion the consultant/agents typically submit more frequent claims than non-agent consultants. The reimbursement checks from the PECFA Bureau are made out to both the consultant and RP, and both need to sign off on check before it can be cashed. One contingency for the consultant/agent relationship is that the PECFA deductible must be paid in full before a consultant can act as an agent.

Waiver of Deductible One option to satisfy the PECFA deductible is the waiver of deductible. This entails putting a Commerce lien on the deed of the subject property in the amount of the deductible. PECFA wouldn't collect on that lien until the property is sold sometime in the future. The value of the property or mortgage status is not a limiting factor on whether this can be done.

Reduction of Deductible The deductible amount can also be reduced if the responsible party is experiencing financial hardship. This requires that an applicant fill out some financial assessment forms and any reduction would be based on the results of that assessment.

Using these tools a responsible party could complete an investigation and clean-up of a property with no out of pocket cash expenditures. If you would like more information on this or would like a listing of consultants who are willing to act as agents, please contact me your convenience at the phone number or email address below to discuss these options in more detail.

Thank you,



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