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SUBJECT:

Final Case Closure with Continuing Obligations

Ward's Corner Garage, E3309 STH 154, Washington, WI

DNR BRRTS Activity #: 03-57-001693

Dear Mr. Muchow,

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) considers the Ward's Corner Garage site closed, with continuing obligations. No further investigation or remediation is required at this time. However, you, future property owners, and occupants of the property must comply with the continuing obligations explained in the conditions of closure in this letter. Please read this letter closely to ensure that you comply with all conditions and other ongoing requirements. Provide this letter and any attachments listed at the end of this letter to anyone who purchases, rents or leases this property from you.

This final closure decision is based on the correspondence and data provided, and is issued under chs. NR 726 and 727, Wis. Adm. Code. The South Central Regional (SCR) Closure Committee reviewed the request for closure on April 13, 2017. The DNR Closure Committee reviewed this environmental remediation case for compliance with state laws and standards to maintain consistency with the closure of similar cases.

Petroleum-impacted soil was found at this former gasoline service station and garage. Response actions included conducting a remedial soil excavation of contaminated soil and sampling of nearby potable wells. The conditions of closure and continuing obligations required were based on the property being used for commercial purposes.

Continuing Obligations

The continuing obligations for this site are summarized below. Further details on actions required are found in the section <u>Closure Conditions</u>.

Residual soil contamination exists that must be properly managed should it be excavated or removed.

The DNR fact sheet "Continuing Obligations for Environmental Protection," RR-819, helps to explain a property owner's responsibility for continuing obligations on their property. The fact sheet may be obtained at http://dnr.wi.gov/files/PDF/pubs/rr/RR819.pdf.

Geographic Information System (GIS) Registry

This site will be included on the Bureau for Remediation and Redevelopment Tracking System (BRRTS on the Web) at http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Brownfields/clean.html, to provide public notice of residual contamination and of any continuing obligations. The site can also be viewed on the Remediation and Redevelopment Sites Map (RRSM), a map view, under the GIS Registry layer, at the same web address.



DNR approval prior to well construction or reconstruction is required for all sites shown on the GIS Registry, in accordance with s. NR 812.09 (4) (w), Wis. Adm. Code. This requirement applies to private drinking water wells and high capacity wells. To request approval, complete and submit Form 3300-254 to the DNR Drinking and Groundwater program's regional water supply specialist. This form can be obtained on-line at http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wells/documents/3300254.pdf.

Case information is also on file at the SCR Regional DNR office, at 3911 Fish Hatchery Rd, Fitchburg, WI 53711. This letter and information that was submitted with your closure request application, including any maps, can be found as a Portable Document Format (PDF) in BRRTS on the Web.

Closure Conditions

Compliance with the requirements of this letter is a responsibility to which you, and any subsequent property owners must adhere. DNR staff may conduct inspections to ensure that the conditions included in this letter are met. If these requirements are not followed, the DNR may take enforcement action under s. 292.11, Wis. Stats. to ensure compliance with the specified requirements, limitations or other conditions related to the property.

Please send written notifications in accordance with the following requirements to:

Department of Natural Resources Attn: Remediation and Redevelopment Program Environmental Program Associate 3911 Fish Hatchery Rd Fitchburg, WI 53711

Residual Soil Contamination (ch. NR 718, and chs. 500 to 536, Wis. Adm. Code or ch. 289, Wis. Stats.) Soil contamination remains at depths of at least 22 ft. below ground surface near the locations of the former dispensers and underground storage tanks, as indicated on the attached "Residual Soil Contamination" map, Attachment B.2.b., September 2016. If soil in the specific locations described above is excavated in the future, the property owner or right-of-way holder at the time of excavation must sample and analyze the excavated soil to determine if contamination remains. If sampling confirms that contamination is present, the property owner or right-of-way holder at the time of excavation will need to determine whether the material is considered solid or hazardous waste and ensure that any storage, treatment or disposal is in compliance with applicable standards and rules. Contaminated soil may be managed in accordance with ch. NR 718, Wis. Adm. Code, with prior DNR approval.

In addition, all current and future owners and occupants of the property and right-of-way holders need to be aware that excavation of the contaminated soil may pose an inhalation or other direct contact hazard and as a result special precautions may need to be taken to prevent a direct contact health threat to humans.

Other Closure Information

General Wastewater Permits for Construction Related Dewatering Activities

The DNR's Water Quality Program regulates point source discharges of contaminated water, including discharges to surface waters, storm sewers, pits, or to the ground surface. This includes discharges from construction related dewatering activities, including utility and building construction.

If you or any other person plan to conduct such activities, you or that person must contact that program, and if necessary, apply for the necessary discharge permit. Additional information regarding discharge permits is available at http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wastewater/GeneralPermits.html. If residual soil or groundwater contamination is likely to affect water collected in a pit/trench that requires dewatering, a general permit for Discharge of Contaminated Groundwater from Remedial Action Operations may be needed. If water collecting in a pit/trench that requires dewatering is expected to be free of pollutants other than suspended solids and oil and grease, a general permit for Pit/Trench Dewatering may be needed.

PECFA Reimbursement

Section 101.143, Wis. Stats., requires that Petroleum Environmental Cleanup Fund Award (PECFA) claimants seeking reimbursement of interest costs, for sites with petroleum contamination, submit a final reimbursement claim within 120 days after they receive a closure letter on their site. For claims not received within 120 days of the date of this letter, interest costs after 60 days of the date of this letter will not be eligible for PECFA reimbursement. If there is equipment purchased with PECFA funds remaining at the site, contact the DNR Project Manager to determine the method for salvaging the equipment.

Per Wisconsin Act 55 (2015 State budget), a claim for PECFA reimbursement must be submitted within 180 days of incurring costs (i.e., completing a task). If your final PECFA claim is not submitted within 180 days of incurring the costs, the costs will not be eligible for PECFA reimbursement.

In Closing

Please be aware that the case may be reopened pursuant to s. NR 727.13, Wis. Adm. Code, for any of the following situations:

- if additional information regarding site conditions indicates that contamination on or from the site poses a threat to public health, safety, or welfare or to the environment,
- if the property owner does not comply with the conditions of closure,
- a property owner fails to maintain or comply with a continuing obligation (imposed under this closure approval letter).

The DNR appreciates your efforts to restore the environment at this site. If you have any questions regarding this closure decision or anything outlined in this letter, please contact Patrick Dowd at 608-275-3339, or at patrick.dowd@wisconsin.gov.

Sincerely,

Stephen M. Ales, P.G. Field Operations Director

Remediation & Redevelopment Program

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Attachments:

- "Residual Soil Contamination" map, Attachment B.2.b, September 2016

cc: General Engineering Company, 916 Silver Lake Drive, P.O. Box 340, Portage, WI 53901 File

