

State of Wisconsin

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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4400

Mr. C. P. Christiansen
President & Chief Executive Officer
C. M. Christiansen Company
Phelps, Wisconsin 54554

Dear Mr. Christiansen:

I received your October 1, 1987, response to my September 25, 1987, letter concerning the old pole plant. Enclosed is a list of companies that handle analysis, transportation, packaging and proper disposal of hazardous waste. As I stated in my original letter, you as a generator are required under state and federal laws to properly insure this material is handled. The people enclosed are licensed by the State of Wisconsin and should be able to provide you with the necessary services.

In answer to your question about the children that broke into your locked building, I would advise you to contact Vilas County Sheriff's Department. They are the individuals who are doing that investigation.

As for my concerns about the old pole dipping operation, as I stated in my earlier letter, you and your company have responsibilities and obligations under state law to carry out an environmental investigation on this property. Should you choose not to do the investigation as you indicated in your letter, I will be advising my staff to begin either developing an administrative order requiring the investigation or the placing of this site on the CERC list for Superfund investigation. Please be advised that the State or U.S. EPA can conduct an investigation of this property. We have the obligation and statutory authority to seek reimbursement of cost for our time and the funds spent.

If you have any other questions concerning this subject or we can advise you in anyway, please feel free to contact us at our District Office, (715)362-7616.

Sincerely,

Gary F. Kulibert
District Solid Waste Coordinator

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