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Tara,

Thank you for the information this morning regarding legal notices in the Appleton Post Crescent.

Attached to this email is the discussed notice.

Please run in the Sunday, July 12 edition of the Appleton P-C.

Invoice and affidavit to:

Wisconsin DNR Attn: Jenna Soyer / RR-5 101 S. Webster Street P.O. Box 7921 Madison, WI 53707-7921

Thank you, Tara.

Regards,

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR DNR and EPA FIVE-YEAR REVIEW OF THE N.W. MAUTHE SUPERFUND SITE

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is submitting public notification for the beginning of DNR's and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) five-year review of the N.W. Mauthe Superfund Site, located at 725 S. Outagamie St. in Appleton.

The federal Superfund law requires a review at least every five years at sites where a cleanup is ongoing. DNR and EPA conduct this review to make sure the cleanup still protects people and the environment. This is the fifth such review since construction work was completed in 1996.

The Superfund site is a former metal plating property. Plating solution chemicals contaminated both soil and groundwater with chromium, cadmium, cyanide, zinc and volatile organic compounds. Due to concerns about these chemicals, EPA placed the N.W. Mauthe site on its National Priorities List in March 1989, making it eligible for cleanup under the federal Superfund program.

DNR began an investigation into soil and groundwater in 1989 under the Superfund program and found that chromium was the predominant contaminant. The EPA began cleanup to remove or contain contaminated soil and groundwater in 1995.

The EPA excavated soil with significant chromium and installed a groundwater collection system to contain groundwater contamination. In 1996, EPA constructed an above-ground treatment system to treat the collected groundwater. The treatment system operated from 1997 to 2006. Starting in 2006, the collected water was discharged directly to the city of Appleton's sanitary sewer under a permit. Routine monitoring of groundwater conditions is also on-going.

During this five-year review, DNR will inspect the groundwater collection system to ensure it is operating as designed by EPA and will study the groundwater samples collected over the past five years. DNR and EPA will then prepare a report of their findings. A copy of the report will be available for public review on DNR's database of cleanup sites.

DNR invites interested parties to provide information that might be important in this site review. To submit comments, contact Gwen Saliares, DNR Hydrogeologist:

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Phone: 920-510-4343Fax: 920-424-4404

• E-mail: gwen.saliares@wisconsin.gov

The information gathered will be considered during the review process if received by October 1, 2020. The five-year review report will be completed in April 2021.

To learn about the N.W. Mauthe site, see previous five-year reviews or the next report in April 2021, visit https://dnr.wi.gov/botw/SetUpBasicSearchForm.do and enter 0245000127 into the Activity Number field on the search form.

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Director, Remediation and Redevelopment Program

<u>June 26, 2020</u> Date