CORRESPONDENCE/MEMORANDUM

DATE:

April 10, 2002

FILE REF: 268149640

TO:

Judy Ohm

FROM:

Tom Wentland

SUBJECT:

Sanitary Transfer and Landfill, Inc. Delafield, Wisconsin

Judy, I searched our files and came up with the enclosed correspondence relating to Sanitary Transfer and Landfill, Inc. notifying the Department that it would be unable to continue providing operation and maintenance at the landfill. There may be more information in the Solid Waste files in Madison. If you feel it is worth it I could come to Madison and review those files.

I am also enclosing copies of documents I obtained at the Waukesha County Register of Deeds office. I thought they might help in tracing ownership of the property.

The third item I am enclosing is a spreadsheet of property transactions recorded at the Waukesha County Register of Deeds office showing property Ron Nickel sold totaling over nine million dollars. As far as I know these properties do not have waste on them but were once part of the entire landfill area owned by the Nickels. I have also enclosed a map showing the waste mass in relation to the properties that were sold off.

If I can help in any way please let me know.



STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Plaintiff,

v.

9 Case No. 88-CV-2176

SANITARY TRANSFER AND LANDFILL, INC., a Wisconsin corporation, WALTER N. NICKEL TRUST, WALTER N. NICKEL, Trustee, and RONALD W. NICKEL,

Defendants.

IN CIRCUIT COURT

JAN 24 1992

STIPULATION AND JUDGMENT

WAUKESHA CO., WISCONSIN CYNTHIA S. ERNST, CLERK

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The plaintiff State of Wisconsin (State) brought a motion for contempt and request for remedial sanctions against defendant Sanitary Transfer and Landfill, Inc. (Sanitary) pursuant to the Judgment rendered by the court on October 10, 1990, in the above-captioned case. The parties would like to settle this matter by agreement; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED that:

1. As of October 1, 1991, and continuing to the present, Sanitary has failed to pump and haul leachate, to submit the monitoring data required by and to otherwise comply with the terms and conditions of the Abandonment Plan Conditional Approval dated August 20, 1982; and the Modification to Closure Plan Approval dated January 22, 1987, for the landfill located in Delafield and operated by Sanitary. Furthermore, Sanitary has expressed its intention to do no further work at the site.

Base the foregoing and on the terms of the Judgment already entered in this case, Sanitary is liable to the State for the sum of \$20,000 in forfeitures and penalties.

Dated this 2 day of December, 1993.

JAMES E. DOYLE - - --

Attorney General

LORRAINE E. STOLTZFUS Assistant Attorney General

Attorneys for Plaintiff

day of December, 1991.

SCOTT B. FLEMING

Brady & Donahue Weiss, Berzowski

Attorney for Defendant Sanitary Transfer and Landfill, Inc.

ORDER

The court hereby accepts the foregoing stipulation of the parties, and orders that judgment be entered accordingly, according to the terms of the stipulation.

Dated this 3th day of December, 199-2.

BY THE COURT:

HONORABLE MARK S. GEMPELER

Circuit Court Judge

JUDGMENT

Judgment is hereby entered according to the terms of the above Stipulation and Order for Judgment.

Dated this 24 day of Qanuary, 1992.

CYNTHIA S. ERNST
Clerk of Circuit Court

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Deputy Clerk

CORRESPONDENCE/MEMORANDUM

DATE:

December 2, 1991

FILE REF:

TO:

File

FROM:

Roger Klett

SUBJECT: Sanitary Transfer and Landfill - Delafield

On November 11, I met with Ron Nickel and Bob Vydrzal at Mr. Nickel's office in Delafield. At this time, Mr. Nickel informed me that a firm he owns -Kettle Moraine Equipment Co. - was going out of business on November 30, 1991. Mr. Vydrzal was employed by Kettle Moraine Equipment Co. Along with his other duties, he maintained the landfill gas venting system; plowed and salted the leachate haul-out road; and operated the leachate pump.

Therefore, after November 30, there will be no one to perform these essential tasks. Mr. Vydrzal volunteered that he would be available to see to these matters if the Department of Natural Resources would employ him in such capacity. Mr. Vydrzal wasn't sure what to charge for this service, but he did mention these estimates:

Turn pump on/off on weekends \$35 per/hr X 2 = \$70 / daySnow plowing and salting \$150 per/job

I told Mr. Vydrzal that I would relay this information to the Department.



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November 26, 1991

John A. Sikora

Lakshmi Sridharan, Ph.D., P.E., Chief Solid Waste Management Section Bureau of Solid & Hazardous Waste Management State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources 101 South Webster Street P.O. Box 7921 Madison, Wisconsin 53707

RE: Notice of Intent to Modify a Plan Approval, Sanitary Transfer & Landfill, Inc., Delafield Landfill, #719

Your File Ref: FID # 268149640

TOUL PILE REL. FID # 20014

Our File No.: 6996-18

Dear Mr. Sridharan:

I am writing on behalf of Sanitary Transfer & Landfill, Inc. (the "Corporation") in response to your Notice of Intent identified above.

On August 7, 1991 I wrote the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), on behalf of the Corporation, informing the DNR that the ever escalating demands on the Delafield Landfill had exhausted the resources of the Corporation. Without prejudice to its position, the DNR has undertaken operation of that facility. Your proposed modification to the closure plan sets forth requirements that in your words "will take considerable money, time and effort . . " As a matter of fact, the proposed modification appears designed to be more burdensome than enlightening. The Corporation specifically objects to the inclusion of such requirements under the authority of Ch. 160 of the Statutes. Section 160.23(1)(b), Stats., provides that the requirements imposed thereunder must be "economically feasible."

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Lakshmi Sridharan, Ph.D., P.E., Chief November 26, 1991 Page 2

The monitoring data the DNR relies on for this admittedly burdensome order is not indicative of current conditions. Furthermore, that data addresses general welfare type concerns with respect to certain preventative action limits. Health related standards are not violated or at risk. For that reason as well, the order is excessive in its scope and requirements.

Inasmuch as the Corporation lacks the resources sufficient to meet its current obligations, it is not in a position to undertake these additional obligations. The Corporation is likewise not in a position to conduct the engineering review necessary to thoroughly evaluate your proposed order. The excessive and burdensome nature of the proposed modification cries out for a hearing. However, the Corporation lacks the resources sufficient to make such a hearing productive and therefore does not request one. The Corporation does not want the DNR to waste its resources either.

Based on the foregoing, Sanitary Transfer & Landfill, Inc. requests that the DNR reconsider the proposed modification.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

Scott B. Fleming

SBF/aam

cc: Sanitary Transfer & Landfill, Inc. Attn: Mr. Ronald F. Nickel

> Mr. Steven M. Streck Ms. Lorraine Stoltzfus



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October 7, 1991

Scott B. Fleming Weiss, Berzowski, Brady & Donahue 700 North Water Street Milwaukee, WIsconsin 53202

Re: State v. Sanitary Transfer & Landfill, Inc. et al

Case No. 88-CV-2176

Dear Mr. Fleming:

I am writing to confirm the understanding which I believe we reached by telephone on Friday, October 4, 1991. I told you that although it continues to be the state's position that Sanitary Transfer and Landfill is responsible for leachate pumping and hauling at the Delafield Landfill, DNR is making arrangements to do so in the face of your client's discontinuance. DNR staff have informed me that a pump valve must be manually activated every day in order for the leachate collection system to function properly. I asked whether Ron Nickel would be willing to see to it that that is done each day, as he is generally on site, rather than the state having to pay a consultant to do so. You agreed that Mr. Nickel would be willing to see to it that the pump valve is activated each day.

We also agreed that this arrangement would not be construed by either party as a compromise on their legal position, and that you would draft a stipulation to that effect.

Please contact me if this letter does not match your understanding of the agreement we reached. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Lorraine C. Stoltzfus

Assistant Attorney General

LCS:bhs

bcc: Debby Roszak

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Re: State v. Sanitary Transfer & Landfill, Inc. et al

Case No. 88-CV-2176

Dear Mr. Fleming:

I am writing in response to the letter which you faxed to my office this morning. I do not know where you gained your understanding that WDNR has arranged for leachate hauling at the Delafield Landfill, but I suspect it was via the misunderstanding of your client. Although WDNR is currently attempting to arrange to handle the leachate hauling, and is attempting to find funds to cover this work, no such arrangements are presently in place.

In any event, it is unequivocally the state's position that leachate hauling from the Delafield Landfill is Sanitary Transfer Landfill's responsibility. Ιt is also Sanitary's responsibility to submit the required monitoring data and to otherwise comply with all the terms and conditions set forth in the Abandonment Plan Conditional Approval dated August 20, 1982, and the Modification to Closure Plan, dated January 22, 1987. Sanitary agreed to fulfill these responsibilities in a Stipulation signed by you on October 1, 1990, on behalf on Ron Nickel and Sanitary Transfer and Landfill, and entered as a Judgment and Order of the Waukesha County Circuit Court on October 10, 1990. Sanitary Transfer and Landfill is bound by that Judgment and Order, and may be in contempt of court if it does not continue to fulfill the responsibilities imposed by that judgment.

Scott B. Fleming October 3, 1991 Page 2

Although DNR is attempting to arrange for leachate hauling, it is only because your client has stated his intention to discontinue doing so, an abdication of responsibility which could potentially result in a threat to public health and to the environment. Please let me know immediately if your client has changed his position and intends to fulfill the responsibilities imposed on him by court judgment. Otherwise, I will contact you next week with regard to further proceedings.

Sincerely,

Lorraine C. Stoltzfus

Assistant Attorney General

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VIA FAX

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P.O. Box 7857
Madison, Wisconsin 53707

Mr. Roger Klett
Wisconsin Department of
Natural Resources
P.O. Box 12436
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53212

RE: Sanitary Transfer and Landfill, Inc.

Delafield Landfill Our File No.: 6996-18

Dear Ms. Stoltzfus and Mr. Klett:

It is the understanding of Sanitary Transfer and Landfill, Inc. and myself that the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has arranged for leachate hauling at the Delafield Landfill. Ron Nickel and myself will be conducting ourselves accordingly.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours

Scott B. Fleming

SBF/aam

cc: Sanitary Transfer and Landfill Attn: Mr. Ron Nickel

→ Roger Klett, SEP FID 268149640

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August 7, 1991

Ms. Barbara Gear
Wisconsin Department of
Natural Resources
101 South Webster Street
P.O. Box 7921
Madison, Wisconsin 53707

RE: Sanitary Transfer and Landfill, Inc. Delafield Landfill (No. 0719)
Our File No.: 6996-18

Dear Ms. Gear:

Enclosed please find the June 30, 1991 monitoring results for the Delafield Landfill which is operated by Sanitary Transfer and Landfill, Inc. (the "Landfill").

As you know, the Delafield Landfill was closed in 1982 and has been managed since then under various Closure Plans issued by the DNR. Unfortunately, the escalating demands applicable to solid waste landfills have exhausted the ability of Sanitary Transfer to finance those requirements. Sanitary Transfer has previously supplied you, through your counsel, Robert M. Hunter, Assistant Attorney General, with complete financial statements establishing the sound financial management of the corporation and further establishing that all resources and assets of that corporation remained in the corporation for the benefit of the landfill. Despite the best efforts and good faith of everyone involved, the costs of monitoring as well as the costs of leachate treatment have escalated beyond any reasonable expectation and have exhausted these resources.

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Ms. Barbara Gear
Wisconsin Department of
Natural Resources
August 7, 1991
Page Two

As a result of the foregoing, Sanitary Transfer will not be able to continue handling leachate and monitoring requirements as of September 30, 1991. We would like to meet with you to coordinate the transfer of responsibilities. We will of course retain all records and provide you access to all information you need to respond to this situation.

I will be out of the office until August 12, 1991. Please contact me anytime thereafter to arrange for such a meeting.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Scott B. Fleming

SBF/aam

cc: Sanitary Transfer and Landfill Attn: Mr. Ronald Nickel

Robert M. Hunter, Esq. Assistant Attorney General

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STATE BAR OF WISCONSIN FORM 13-1982 SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGE

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to secure payment of \$ 175,000.00 dated
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has a right to satisfy the same, and hereby satisfies the above described

The undersigned certifies that Walter N. Nickel, surviving joint tenant of Maxine B. Nickel is the present owner of a mortgage executed by ... Ronald W. Nickel

Dated this . 4th day of	November 1993 .
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· (SEAL)	Walter N. Nickel Surviving Joint Tenant of Maxine B. Nickel (SEAL)
·(SEAL)	* (SEAL)
AUTHENTICATION	ACINOWLEDGMENT
Signature(s) of Walter N. Nickel	STATE OF WISCONSIN County.
authenticated this 4thday of November, 1993.	Personally came before me thisday of
William Chapman TITLE: MEMBER STATE BAR OF WISCONSIN	
(If not, authorized by § 706.06, Wis. Stats.)	to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledge the same.
THIS INSTRUMENT WAS DRAFTED BY	
William Chapman	•
(Signatures may be authenticated or acknowledged. Both are not necessary.)	Notary Public

FORM No. 13 -- 1982

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QUIT CLAIM DEED

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WAL 'ER N. NICKEL

grantor of Logan
OUIT CLAIM to

.County of Cache

, State of Utah. hereby

THE WALTER NICKEL TRUST

grantee of Logan, Cache County, Utah
for the sum of TEN DOLLARS AND OTHER GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION
the following described tracts of land in Waukesha County, State of Wisconsin

The West ½ of the N.W. ¼ of Section 27, Town-7 North, Range 18 East. City of Delafield, Waukesha County, Wisconsin, Also all that part of the S.W. ¼ of Section 22, Town 7 North, Range 18 East, City of Delafield, Waukesha County, Wisconsin bounded and described as follows: Commencing at the S.W. corner of Section 22; thence North 0°16'07" East on the West line of the S.W. ¼ 1153.66 feet to the South line of I-94; thence South 81°07'32" East on said line, 1257.49 feet to the N.W. corner of lands described in Vol. 569 on Page 599; thence South 5°03'07" West, 184.12 feet; thence South 27°11'07" West, 53.00 feet to the S.W. corner of said parcel; thence South 9°12'17" West, 235.16 feet; thence South 80°47'23" East, 199.60 feet; thence South 7°00'00" West, 448.30 feet to the N.E. corner of the West ½ of the N.W. ¼ of Section 27; thence South 89°07'18" West, 1312.24 feet to the place of beginning, EXCEPTING THEREFROM Vol. 548, Page 446 of Deeds.

WITNESS, the hand of said grantor , this	25th day of February A. D. 19 80
Signed in the presence of	x Walter, Miles
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ectume to Wm. Chapman 156 E. Wisconsin Ave. Oconomowoc, WI 53066

This Deed, made between Walter N. Nickel Trust. Walter N. Nickel, Trustee

and Ronald W. Nickel

Witnesseth, That the said Grautor, for a valuable consideration

County, State of Wisconsin:

Being all of the SW-1/4 of the NW-1/4 and a part of the NW-1/4 of the NW-1/4 of Section 27, T 7 N, R 18 E, City of Delafield, Waukesha County WI, more fully described as follows: Commencing at the NW corner of said Section 27; thence S 01° 01' 44" E., along the West line of said NW-1/4, 1275.00 ft. to the point of beginning of the hereinafter described lands; thence N 77° 30' 00" E., 1339.35 ft. to a point on the East line of the W-1/2 of said NW-1/4; thence S 01° 08' 21" E., along said fast line, 1651.76 ft. to the SE corner of the SW-1/4 of said NW-1/4; thence S 89° 06' 37" W., along the South line of said NW-1/4, 1315.78 ft. to the W-1/4 corner of said Section 27; thence N 01° 01' 44" W., along the West line of said NW-1/4 1382.19 ft. to the point of beginning. beginning.

Said lands containing 1,993,795 sq. ft. (45.77 Ac.)

This deed given in satisfaction of certain land contract dated 6/1/88 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Waukesha County, Wisconsin on 7/29/88 in Reel 1025, Image 0440 and 0441, as Document No. 1492907.

This is not homestead property.

TRANSFER

Together with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging;

And Walter N. Nickel Trust

warrants that the title is good, indefeasible in fee simple and free and clear of encumbrances except

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easements and restrictions of record and municipal zoning ordinances and will warrant and defend the same. Dated this 8 // 1st day of August N. Nickel Trust 19.91

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Walter N. Nickel, Trustee

AUTHENTICATION

TITLE: MEMBER STATE BAR OF WISCONSIN (If not, _____authorized by § 705.06, Wis. Stats.)

THIS INSTRUMENT WAS DRAFTED BY

William Chapman

STATE OF WESCOMER UTAH

CACHE County. Personally came before me this __1St_ August 19.91 the above named Walter N. Nickel, to me known to be the Trustee of the Walter N. Nickel Trust, and

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to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledge the same.

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