



January 7, 2022

Three Lakes Convenience Store LLC
Attn: William Scheuer
P.O. Box 815
Three Lakes, WI 54562

Draeger Oil Company
Attn: Joe Draeger, President
P.O. Box 340
Antigo, WI 54409

SUBJECT: Notice of Intent to Incur Expenses/Status Update
Contamination Detected PCE, 7052 Huffman Street, Three Lakes, Wisconsin
DNR BRRTS # 02-44-000267

Dear Mr. Scheuer and Mr. Draeger:

On November 27, 2018, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) sent a letter to Draeger Oil Company (James Draeger) the previous owner of the property located at 1742 Superior Street, Three Lakes, WI. The letter, attached for your review, notified Mr. Draeger that the DNR could hold Draeger Oil responsible for expenses incurred during the state lead investigation of tetrachloroethylene (PCE) contamination.

The DNR completed a state lead investigation in 2019 and 2020. A Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) was performed, which included a review of the records and files for the following nearby sites: the former Three Lake Laundry, Former Amoco Station, Former Draeger Oil and Scott Soder property. Based on the information from the Phase I ESA, several monitoring wells and piezometers were installed along Superior Street to Maple Lake.

Sample results from soil samples collected from the soil borings performed for installation of the monitoring wells showed no detection of volatile organic compounds including PCE. Groundwater samples were collected from the monitoring wells and piezometers in June and November 2020. No Wis. Admin. Code ch. NR140 enforcement standard exceedances were detected in the groundwater samples. A site investigation report documenting the soil and groundwater investigation was reviewed by the DNR on March 18, 2021 and it was determined the investigation was complete. Based on the site investigation results, the DNR intends to close DNR BRRTS #02-44-000267.

Because the source(s) of the PCE contamination was not identified during the site investigation, the DNR does not intend to seek cost recovery for these expenses at this time. However, if additional information indicates that contamination on or from the site poses a threat to human health or the environment, the case may be reopened under Wis. Admin. Code § NR 727.13. If new information becomes available identifying a source of the PCE contamination, the DNR may pursue cost recovery from any party identified to be responsible for that contamination.

If you have questions concerning the site investigation or this letter, please feel free to contact me at (715) 360-1966 or by email at Carrie.Stoltz@Wisconsin.gov

Sincerely,



Carrie Stoltz
Hydrogeologist
Northern Region
Remediation & Redevelopment Program

Attachment: Notice of Intent to Incur Expenses, DNR, November 27, 2018