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Dear Ms. Graefe:

As you may recall, Wisconsin Gas Company met with you on September 14, 1994 to discuss our work on the Former Third Ward Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) site. The purpose of the meeting was to provide you with a summary of the environmental site investigation and preliminary feasibility study for the site. During the meeting, Wisconsin Gas provided historical background information for the site and summarized the scope and results of environmental site investigation conducted in 1992 and 1993. Wisconsin Gas also presented the results of a preliminary feasibility study which was conducted for the site. The preliminary feasibility study was prepared utilizing the data from the environmental site investigation.

Based upon comments which you provided during the meeting, it is Wisconsin Gas's belief that the WDNR is satisfied with the level of investigation activities completed to address soil and groundwater impacts. Further, it was agreed that Wisconsin Gas will provide a quarterly status report regarding the Former Third Ward MGP project. Finally, it was agreed that you would like to review and provide input to other documents related to the site. Wisconsin Gas will proceed with additional feasibility studies to identify the appropriate remedial actions as they are developed for the site.

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with the first quarterly status report regarding the Former Third Ward MGP project. The planned activities presented in the report are contingent upon obtaining access to the properties and will be implemented by RETEC, our environmental consultant for the project.

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We appreciate the opportunity to discuss the project with you and obtain your input. Let me know if you have any comments or questions regarding the project. Please feel free to call me at 291-7000, Ext. 5463.

Thank you for your attention and assistance.

Very truly yours,

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**ATTACHMENT** 

## MARCH 1995 QUARTERLY STATUS REPORT FORMER THIRD WARD MGP SITE MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

## PROJECT STATUS

Wisconsin Gas has submitted the following documents to the WDNR:

- Phase III Environmental Site Investigation Report Former Third Ward Manufactured Gas Plant Site, April, 1993
- Addendum No. 1 Phase III Environmental Site Investigation Report
  Former Third Ward Manufactured Gas Plant Site River Sediment Sampling Report,
  June, 1994
- Preliminary Feasibility Study Report
   Former Third Ward Manufactured Gas Plant Site
   Milwaukee, Wisconsin,
   July, 1994

Subsequent to submission of the above documents, Wisconsin Gas and WDNR met on September 14, 1994. The meeting was held at the offices of the WDNR in Milwaukee. The meeting was held so that Wisconsin Gas could present the findings of the Phase III ESI and also to discuss the findings of the preliminary feasibility study conducted for the Third Ward Site.

## PLANNED PROJECT ACTIVITIES

Wisconsin Gas is currently planning to conduct focused predesign or soil characterization activities for selected portions of the Site, subject to obtaining access agreements from current landowners. Wisconsin Gas is planning to collect shallow soil data on Blocks 158 (City Property), and on Blocks 157 and 116 (Peters=Johnson Property) and is also planning to collect another round of groundwater samples at the Site. A Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP) will be prepared and submitted to the WDNR on or about March 27, 1995. The SAP will provide details related to proposed predesign data gathering activities. Focused predesign or soil characterization activities are planned to begin on or about April 3, 1995. Maintaining this schedule is contingent upon the City of Milwaukee completing demolition of buildings present on the City Property and granting access to the property.

Wisconsin Gas will submit the SAP for review by the WDNR. Wisconsin Gas understands that the WDNR will provide comments prior to April, 1995 if any activities contained in the SAP need to be clarified. The planned activities will be implemented in April 1995.