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Subject: Wisconsin Assessment Monies (WAM) – Contractor Services Application – Brownfields Assessment – Skrzypek Property, Corner of County Highway B and State Highway 23, Montello, WI 53949.

Dear Ms. Bussan:

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reviewed the application you submitted to the Wisconsin Assessment Monies (WAM) Program for the Skrzypek Property, Corner of County Highway B and State Highway 23, Montello, WI. WAM is funded through a federal brownfields assessment grant provided to DNR by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). As required by DNR's cooperative agreement with EPA, EPA evaluated whether the project met federal eligibility criteria. EPA concluded that the property does not meet the definition of a brownfield site as defined in Section 104(k) of CERCLA and is therefore not eligible to receive assessment services through WAM. Additionally, it was represented to the DNR by both Marquette County and Properties, L.L.C. that there is an ongoing dispute over the ownership of the property, which affects the ability of DNR to ensure that it has legal access to perform assessment services.

The Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) may have programs that could assist with your project. The WEDC's contact in your region is Jon Bartz. Mr. Bartz can be reached at 608-210-6846 or Jon.Bartz@wedc.org. In addition, please work with Gwen Saliars, the DNR Project Manager, on finishing your site investigation. You can reach Gwen at 920-510-4343 or Gwen.Saliars@Wisconsin.gov.

You may also contact Tom Coogan in Madison at 608-267-7560 or Thomas.Coogan@Wisconsin.gov if you have any questions about this letter.

Sincerely,

Christine Haag, Director
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cc: Tom Coogan & Jodie Peotter – RR/5
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