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September 20, 2005

Mr. William Kessler  
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Cuba City, WI 53807

File Ref: 02-22-543811

Subject: Reported Contamination at Kwik Trip, 212/216 South Main Street, Cuba City  
WDNR BRRTS Activity Number: 02-22-543811

Dear Mr. Kessler:

On July 5, 2002 the Department of Natural Resources received information from representatives of Kwik Trip, Incorporated, regarding groundwater contamination that was discovered on their property located at 212/216 South Main Street in Cuba City. The primary contaminant of concern is tetrachloroethylene. Other contaminants of concern include trichloroethylene, a breakdown product of tetrachloroethylene. The information provided by Kwik Trip indicates the contamination is coming from an off-site, upgradient source. The property located at 204 South Main Street is the nearest upgradient property. Based upon information available to the Department, the 204 South Main Street property operated as "Kessler Cleaners," a drycleaning business, during the 1970s and 1980s. Mrs. Eileen Simon, the owner of the 204 South Main Street property, informed me you were the operator of the Kessler Cleaners business. During a May 25, 2004 conversation I had with you, you confirmed that you were the owner/operator of the Kessler Cleaners operation. Mrs. Simon was notified of her responsibility to address the contamination concerns as property owner in a letter dated August 23, 2005.

Based on the information that has been submitted to the WDNR regarding this site, we believe you are responsible for investigating and restoring the environment at the above-described site under Section 292.11, Wisconsin Statutes, known as the hazardous substances spills law.

This letter describes the legal responsibilities of a person who is responsible under section 292.11, explains what you need to do to investigate and clean up the contamination, and provides you with information about cleanups, environmental consultants and possible financial assistance.

**Legal Responsibilities:**

Your legal responsibilities are defined both in statute and in administrative codes. The hazardous substances spill law, Section 292.11 (3) Wisconsin Statutes, states:

- **RESPONSIBILITY.** A person who possesses or controls a hazardous substance which is discharged or who causes the discharge of a hazardous substance shall take the actions necessary to restore the environment to the extent practicable and minimize the harmful effects from the discharge to the air, lands, or waters of the state.

Wisconsin Administrative Code chapters NR 700 through NR 749 establish requirements for emergency and interim actions, public information, site investigations, design and operation of remedial action systems, and case closure. Chapter NR 708 includes provisions for immediate actions in response to limited contamination. Wisconsin Administrative Code chapter NR 140 establishes groundwater standards for contaminants that reach groundwater.

#### Steps to Take:

The longer contamination is left in the environment, the farther it can spread and the more it may cost to clean up. Quick action may lessen damage to your property and neighboring properties and reduce your costs in investigating and cleaning up the contamination. To ensure that your cleanup complies with Wisconsin's laws and administrative codes, you should hire a professional environmental consultant who understands what needs to be done. These are the first three steps to take:

1. Within the next **30 days**, by October 20, 2005, you should submit written verification (such as a letter from the consultant) that you have hired an environmental consultant. If you do not take action within this time frame, the WDNR may initiate enforcement action against you.
2. Within the next **60 days**, by November 20, 2005, your consultant should submit a work plan and schedule for the investigation. The consultant must comply with the requirements in the NR 700 rule series and should refer to WDNR technical guidance documents. To facilitate prompt agency review of your reports, your consultant should use the site investigation and closure formats which are available on-line at <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr>
3. Within 30 days of completion of the site investigation, you or your consultant must provide a brief report at least every 90 days as required by s. NR 724.13 (3), Wis. Adm. Code. Quarterly reports need only include one or two pages of text, plus any relevant maps and tables. Should conditions at your site warrant, we may require more frequent contacts.
4. Sites where discharges to the environment have been reported are entered into the Bureau for Remediation and Redevelopment Tracking System ("BRRTS"), a version of which appears on the WDNR's internet site. You may view the information related to your site at any time (<http://botw.dnr.state.wi.us/botw/Welcome.do>) and use the feedback system to alert us to any errors in the data.

If you want a formal response from the agency on a specific submittal, please be aware that a review fee is required in accordance with ch. NR 749, Wis. Adm. Code. If a fee is not submitted with your reports, you should proceed under the advice of your consultant to complete the site investigation to maintain your compliance with the spills law and chapters NR 700 through NR 749. **Do not delay the investigation of your site by waiting for an agency response.** We have provided detailed technical guidance to environmental consultants. Your consultant is expected to know our technical procedures and administrative rules and should be able to answer your questions on meeting cleanup requirements.

All correspondence regarding this site should be sent to me at the address in the letterhead. Unless otherwise requested, please send only one copy of plans and reports. To speed processing, correspondence should reference the BRRTS Activity Number shown at the top of this letter.

#### Additional Information for Site Owners:

Information to help you select a consultant, and materials on controlling costs, understanding the cleanup process, and choosing a site cleanup method are enclosed.

**Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Fund Program (DERF):**

The DERF program provides reimbursement to eligible drycleaners for costs associated with solvent discharges from the operation of their facility. For more information, please see the enclosed fact-sheet "Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Fund: Is the Program for Me?" This fact-sheet explains the eligibility criteria for the DERF program and explains the ability to serve as an agent for an eligible dry cleaner. By working *with* Mrs. Simon, you may be able to minimize the expense to either party involved.

If you are financially unable to proceed with an environmental investigation or site clean-up, there is a formalized process this agency uses to assess your financial situation. Please notify me of your "inability to pay" for any site work and we can begin this alternative process.

I would be happy to meet with both you and Mrs. Simon to discuss ways you may be able to work together to address this situation. Please contact if you think a meeting would be beneficial.

Call me at (608) 935-1948 for more information on eligibility for financial assistance or visit the RR web site: <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr>. You may also contact me for all other questions regarding this letter.

Thank you for your cooperation.

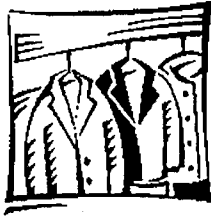
Sincerely,



Linda Hanefeld  
Hydrogeologist – Dodgeville Service Center  
Bureau for Remediation & Redevelopment  
(608) 935-1948

Enclosures:   1.     DERF Factsheet  
                  2.     Selecting a Consultant; Consultant List  
                  3.     Example Agent Agreements

cc:     Mrs. Eileen Simon, 204 South Main Street, Cuba City, WI 53807 (w/enc. 2. and 3.)



# Is the Program For Me?

#RR-632

The Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Fund Program

April, 2003

## Background

The dry cleaner environmental response fund program (DERF) was developed by the dry cleaning industry to reimburse dry cleaners for their eligible costs for cleaning up dry cleaning solvent discharges to the environment. All active dry cleaners contribute to the DERF fund to ensure that dry cleaning solvent discharges can be addressed without economic catastrophe for an individual dry cleaner involved in a cleanup. The Department of Revenue collects fees for this program and the Department of Natural Resources implements the reimbursement program. S. 292.65, Wis. Stats., contains the statutory language from which the program must operate, and Chapter NR 169, Wi. Adm Code, contains more detailed rule language outlining how the rule is implemented.

## What the current statute says:

The statute, s. 292.65, Wis. Stats., says that an *owner or operator* of a dry cleaning facility is eligible for reimbursement if they comply with several provisions of the statute.

## An owner is defined as:


- A person who owns or has possession or control of *and* who receives or received direct or indirect consideration from the operation of a dry cleaning facility that is licensed, or a dry cleaning facility that has ceased operation (if the dry cleaning facility closed after October 14, 1997, it needed to have had a license prior to closing).
- a subsidiary or parent corporation of the person specified above
- A person who owns the property on which a *licensed* dry cleaning facility is located. Also, a person who owns property on which a licensed facility operated but has subsequently closed is eligible for the program. Subsequent property owners are not eligible once a licensed facility has closed. Licensing requirements began Oct 14, 1997, so a person who owns property on which a facility that closed prior to this date was located are not eligible.

## An operator is defined as:

- A person who holds the license for a dry cleaning facility
- A subsidiary or parent corporation of the person specified above
- A person who operated a dry cleaning facility that closed prior to October 14, 1997

## What does this means to me?







Whether or not you are eligible depends on your unique situation. The following examples may help determine whether you are eligible for this program or not. Remember that there are other components of the DERF program that may affect your eligibility such as compliance with pollution prevention requirements as well as the ch. NR 700 clean up requirements. See our web site ([www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr](http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/rr)) for fact sheets on other aspects of the program, as well as ch. NR 169, Wis. Stats.

Yes	No	Am I eligible?	Explanation
		I've owned and operated a dry cleaning facility for the past 15 years until I retired last year. I licensed the facility in 1997, when licensing became a requirement. The investigation at the gas station across the street has found dry cleaning solvents and they want me to investigate my property.	Since you owned and operated the dry cleaning facility and met the licensing requirements, you are eligible for reimbursement assuming that you follow the other eligibility criteria (i.e. reported the discharge, are following NR 700 cleanup rules, follow the requirements in NR 169, etc.)



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Yes	No	Am I eligible?	Explanation
		I bought a property in 1998 that I want to develop into a bookstore. It used to house a dry cleaning facility, but it went out of business in 1995. The bookstore won't give me a franchise until I conduct an environmental assessment.	This program was not designed for you. You never owned the dry cleaning facility, nor received direct compensation from its operation. The owner or operator of the drycleaner may be eligible for the program, and the program does allow agent agreements whereby one party conducts the investigation and cleanup on behalf of another party. Those agreements, however, need to be in place prior to environmental response actions being taken at the site.
		I own a dry cleaning business consisting of 5 facilities - three have been converted to dry stores and the other two are locations where dry cleaning occurs. The two dry cleaning locations that are active are licensed, and have been since 1997, when the requirements came into effect. I incorporated my business in 1980.	Your corporation owned all 5 facilities when they were operating and currently owns two licensed facilities that continue to operate. As such, your corporation is eligible for this program at any of the five locations. Remember that if your corporation is dissolved, it is no longer eligible for the program.
		I own a strip mall that houses a dry cleaning facility. The dry cleaner is licensed, but is thinking of selling the business. If they sell and I discover a problem later, am I eligible for the fund to cover my cleanup costs?	The statute defines owner as one who owns property on which either an active licensed facility or closed licensed facility is located. Therefore, you would remain eligible whether the facility is open or closed, as long as the facility maintained a valid license from the Department of Revenue when it was operating.
		I owned a dry cleaning facility that closed in 1994, before this program became effective. I sold the property to a developer, who is building an office complex. The developer has informed me that they have discovered perchloroethylene in the soils, and I am responsible for cleaning it up.	Whether you are responsible for cleaning up the contamination is a subject for you to discuss with your attorney. However, assuming the perchloroethylene resulted from drycleaning solvents from your facility, you are eligible for this program as the owner of a dry cleaning facility. You may conduct the investigation and cleanup or you may choose to work with the developer and have them serve as an agent for you in conducting the investigation and cleanup activities. Written agent agreements must be signed prior to costs being incurred.
		My father owned a drycleaning facility until he retired several years ago. The current property owner contacted my father after discovering contamination on the property. They signed an agent agreement for the property owner to conduct the cleanup, and submitted the notification form to the DNR. My father has since passed away and I am now the personal representative of his estate. Will the future cleanup costs be reimbursable from the program?	As the personal representative of your father's estate, you are entitled to continue to act on behalf of your father for actions which he started. If he had not submitted the potential claim notification form to the department, he would not have met the initial program requirements and you would not be able to initiate a cleanup in his behalf. However, since he had submitted that form and initiated response actions, you are able to continue under his eligibility status. Once the estate is settled, however, you no longer would hold that title, and your eligibility would cease unless there was an assignment of that right to a trust.
		The Dept. of Revenue recently notified me that I had not licensed my facility. Since I can't afford the license fee, I decided to close my facility and retire.	The owner or operator of an unlicensed facility is not eligible for this program, but is still responsible for completing a cleanup at this site.

**For More Information**

To order this and any other publications, or to find out more information about the Remediation and Redevelopment Program, please call our Information Line at 800-367-6076 (long distance instate) or 608-264-6020 (local or out-of-state); or check out our web site at <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/aw/tr>.

This document contains information about certain state statutes and administrative rules but does not necessarily include all of the details found in the statutes and rules. Readers should consult the actual language of the statutes and rules to answer specific questions. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources provides equal opportunity in its employment, programs, services, and functions under an Affirmative Action Plan. If you have any questions, please write to Equal Opportunity Office, Department of Interior, Washington, D.C. 20240. This publication is available in alternative format upon request. Please call 608-267-3543 for more information.



## Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Program Potential Claim Notification

Form 4400-210 (R 9/03)

Notice: Use this form to notify the Department of Natural Resources of the potential to submit a reimbursement application to the Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Program (DERP). This form is authorized under s. 292.65, Wis. Stats. and ch. NR 169, Wis. Adm. Code. Completion of this form is mandatory for any person applying for reimbursement from the DERP. Persons who do not submit a completed form will not be eligible for reimbursement under DERP. Personal information will be shared with the Wisconsin Department of Revenue to determine eligibility for DERP claims and for DERP program administration. Information will also be made available to requesters under Wisconsin's Open Records laws (ss. 19.32-19.39, Wis. Stats.) and requirements.

Notification of a potential claim is required prior to conducting a site investigation or any remedial action activity under s. 292.65(4), Wis. Stats. For facilities in operation after October 14, 1997, include the Wisconsin Department of Revenue Dry Cleaning License Number issued under s. 77.996, Wis. Stats. "Dry cleaning facility" means a facility for dry cleaning apparel or household fabrics for the general public. See s. 292.65(1)(d), Wis. Stats., for legal definition.

Complete the following information and **submit it to your DNR regional project manager**. *Copy this form as necessary.*

### Eligibility Information

Was there a release of dry cleaning product from a dry cleaning facility? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Date Department Notified of Release	Notification Method: <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone <input type="checkbox"/> FAX <input type="checkbox"/> Written
Affected Media (select all that apply): <input type="checkbox"/> Soil <input type="checkbox"/> Groundwater <input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water	
Applicant: <input type="checkbox"/> owns <input type="checkbox"/> operates <input type="checkbox"/> operated <input type="checkbox"/> subsidiary/parent corporation <input type="checkbox"/> property owner of licensed facility	
Does your proposed cleanup site have an operating dry cleaning machine? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Date Your Ownership/Operation Started	For Closed Facilities, Date Last Load Processed
If Operated After 10/14/97, Wisconsin Department of Revenue Dry Cleaning Facility License No.	If Dry Store, Date Equipment Removed From Site

### Applicant Information

Owner/Operator Name		Company Name	
Mailing Street Address and PO Box		E-Mail Address	
		Federal Employer ID Number (FEIN)	
City	State	ZIP Code	Telephone Number
		Fax Number	

Are there any other responsible persons associated with the cleanup of this facility?  Yes  No **If yes, check association for each:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Other Owner	<input type="checkbox"/> Property Owner of a Licensed Facility	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Owner	<input type="checkbox"/> Property Owner of a Licensed Facility
<input type="checkbox"/> Operator		<input type="checkbox"/> Operator	

Other Responsible Party		Other Responsible Party	
Company Name		Company Name	
Mailing Street Address and PO Box		Mailing Street Address and PO Box	
City	State	ZIP Code	City
		State	
		ZIP Code	
Telephone Number		Telephone Number	

### Agent Information

If an agent will be conducting actions per s. 292.65(4)(k), Wis. Stats., complete the following.

Agent Name		Company Name	
Mailing Street Address and PO Box		Telephone Number	Fax Number
City	State	ZIP Code	Date Agent Agreement Signed

**Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Program  
Potential Claim Notification**

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Facility Information				
Facility Name			Company Name	
Facility Location: Street Address			Department of Revenue Dry Cleaner License No.	
City	State	ZIP Code	License Holder and Company Name	
Date Dry Cleaning Facility Constructed			License Holder Federal Employee ID# (FEIN)	

Dry cleaning license and solvent fees have been paid on this facility for the following years (select one):

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> October 14, 1997 to Present | <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are delinquent on this facility                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> From _____ To _____         | <input type="checkbox"/> Facility operation ceased before October 14, 1997 (no fees apply) |

1. Has a previous ch. NR 700 cleanup been conducted at this site?  Yes  No  
If so, date of closure letter: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Is there diking around the machine?  Yes  No
3. Is the floor sealed?  Yes  No
4. At this site, do you anticipate finding contaminants not associated with this dry cleaning facility?  Yes  No
5. Are all wastes that are generated at the dry cleaning facility and that contain dry cleaning solvent managed as hazardous wastes in compliance with ch. 291, Wis. Stats., and 42 USC 6901 to 6991i?  Yes  No
6. Is dry cleaning solvent or wastewater from your dry cleaning machines being discharged into any sanitary sewer or septic tank or into the waters of this state?  Yes  No
7. Is all perchlorethylene delivered to the dry cleaning facility by means of a closed, direct-coupled delivery system?  Yes  No
8. Was the facility constructed after October 14, 1997?  Yes  No
9. Has the applicant ever been referred to the Wisconsin Department of Justice for any violations of Wisconsin laws or rules concerning the use or disposal of dry cleaning solvents?  Yes  No

Comments: (Provide clarification if necessary)

**Certification**

I certify that the information above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant Title and Signature	Date Signed
Agent Title and Signature	Date Signed

**Department Use Only**

Complete, sign and FAX to DERP Grant Manager, CF/8, (608) 267-0496.

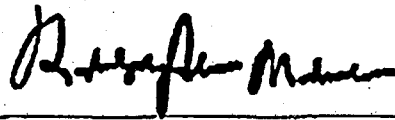
Date Received	Project Manager Signature	BRRTS Number	Telephone Number
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AGENT AGREEMENT

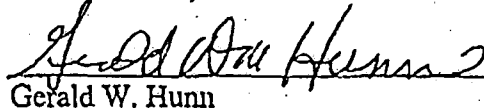
Pursuant to Section 292.65(4)(k), Wis. Stats., Gerald W. Hunn and John Mudroch, Trustee, the Hunn Family Trust, agree that the Hunn Family Trust is and will be acting as the agent for Gerald W. Hunn with respect to investigation and remediation of property at 117 East Capitol Drive, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and the Wisconsin Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Program.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> November day of ~~October~~, 2002.

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John Mudroch, Trustee



Gerald W. Hunn



## AGENT AGREEMENT

THIS AGENT AGREEMENT is dated as of February 27, 2003, between HOWARD and INEZ ZILLMER (the "Zillmers") and BASK, INC. ("Bask Inc.").

The Zillmers own the property located at 323 West Sunset Drive, Waukosha, Wisconsin (the "Site"). Bask Inc. operated a drycleaning facility at the Site from approximately May 26, 1978 to approximately 1981.

Pursuant to the Drycleaner Environmental Response Program ("DERP"), Wisconsin Statute §292.65(4)(k), the Zillmers and Bask Inc. enter into this Agent Agreement to allow the Zillmers to act as an agent for Bask Inc. in conducting the remedial action activities required under Wisconsin Statute §292.65(4)(j) and Wisconsin Administration Code §§NR700 to 728. The Zillmers and Bask Inc. agree to jointly submit the application for DERP award under Wisconsin Statute §292.65.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Howard Zillmer

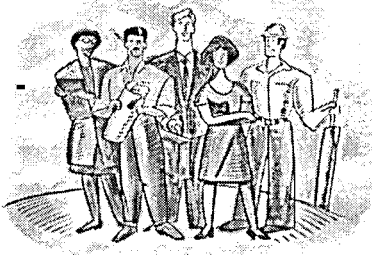
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Inez Zillmer

Date: 2/27/03

BASK, INC.

David D. Baskerville  
By: David Baskerville  
Its: President



# Selecting an Environmental Consultant

PUB-RR- 502

June 2005

## Why do I need a consultant?

If the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has notified you that you are responsible for investigation and cleanup of soil or groundwater contamination, you need professional assistance to get the work done. Department rules establish qualifications for environmental consultants who perform this kind of work.

Site investigations and cleanup procedures can be complex and costly. A qualified environmental consultant can clean up your property in accordance with state and federal regulations, and help maintain or increase the value of your land. A good consultant will also understand your business needs, negotiate your cleanup schedule with DNR Remediation and Redevelopment Program staff and give you regular updates in understandable language.

A competent, experienced consultant can:

- ◆ save time, money, and complete the project right the first time;
- ◆ help establish a cooperative relationship with regulatory agencies; and
- ◆ minimize down time for your business.



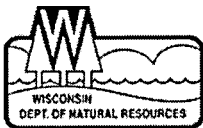
## How can I find a qualified consultant?

The DNR does not endorse environmental consultants. However, we maintain a list of consultants who have identified themselves as doing environmental work in Wisconsin (see page 4). Other means of finding or selecting a consultant include calling other businesses you know have done environmental cleanups, contacting professional associations in which you are a member, or searching the yellow pages under "environmental services" or "environmental engineers."

## What should I tell a consultant?

Tell your potential consultant as much as you can about your property, including:

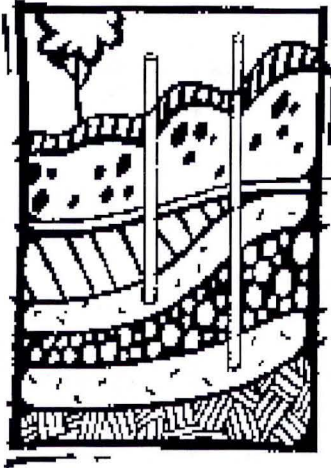
- ◆ the site history, including materials and products used;
- ◆ materials and wastes that have been stored, recycled or disposed of;
- ◆ potential areas of contamination;
- ◆ the source of your water supply; and
- ◆ what DNR has asked you to do.



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### What should I ask a consultant?



Ask your potential consultant any questions you have, including:

- ◆ how many years they have been doing environmental work in Wisconsin?
- ◆ how many similar investigations and cleanups they have completed in Wisconsin or elsewhere? (cleaning up a leaking petroleum tank can be very different from cleaning up PCBs)
- ◆ what administrative rules they will follow? (if a potential consultant is not familiar with the NR 700 rule series, Wis. Admin. Codes, governing environmental cleanups or NR 140, Wis. Admin. Code, governing groundwater standards, it is an indication that they are not familiar with Wisconsin regulations)
- ◆ if their staff meet the professional qualifications in chapter NR 712, Wis. Admin. Code?
- ◆ if some of their staff are registered as professional engineers or hydrogeologists with the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing?
- ◆ what level of insurance they carry for errors, omissions, and liability?
- ◆ whether they will help prepare requests for reimbursement if your cleanup is eligible? and
- ◆ whether they have references you can check?

Also, don't hesitate to ask a consultant that you may hire how and why their approach to your environmental cleanup would differ from other consultants you have talked with.

### What questions should I ask when checking a consultant's references?

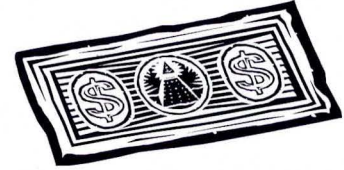
When checking the references of a consultant you may hire, you may want to ask the following questions:

- ◆ was your project similar to mine in size and type of contamination?
- ◆ did the consultant stay on schedule, or provide reasonable explanations for delays?
- ◆ did the consultant keep you informed of the project's status, new developments and options for cleanup?
- ◆ if problems arose, were they resolved to your satisfaction?
- ◆ did the consultant seem to work effectively with DNR (and local officials if relevant)?
- ◆ were your bills clear and timely?
- ◆ did the consultant advise you in advance of billing of all significant changes to the original cost estimate?



### What should I expect for the cost of a cleanup?

Costs for environmental cleanup vary widely based on the type and extent of contamination and the regulatory requirements. Ask your consultant what to expect for your particular situation, and to advise you immediately of any changes. Also ask:



- ◆ if subcontractors will submit competitive bids;
- ◆ what hourly rates and overhead to expect for professional staff;
- ◆ what per diem charges to expect for staff doing field work;
- ◆ how often you will be billed; and
- ◆ how bills will be itemized.

Watch for cost estimates that are significantly higher or lower than those received from other consultants. Ask those consultants how they can get the job done more economically, or whether they think proposals from other consultants are incomplete. Also watch for consultants who expect to get the work done much faster than others. There may be good reasons for faster cleanups, but you need to understand those reasons. Sometimes the least disruptive and least costly cleanups, such as natural attenuation of contamination, take the longest.

Also, make sure you understand the terms of a contract before signing, including who will do what, and when. Be sure it includes language that allows you to terminate the contract if you are not satisfied with the consultant's work.

### Is there any financial help?

Sometimes. Wisconsin offers certain loans, grants and reimbursement programs for various types of cleanups. Two of the larger reimbursement programs are the Petroleum Environmental Cleanup Fund Act (PECFA) for leaking underground tanks, and the Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Fund (DERF). Ask your consultant whether any financial aids apply to your site, and whether they have experience with these programs.



### Is there anything else I should know?

Wisconsin offers more than environmental cleanup procedures. DNR has numerous options to complete an environmental cleanup while enhancing the redevelopment and resale potential of your property. This includes options for limitations on future environmental liability. For more information, please see our RR Program web site (address on page 4).

## Where can I get more information about cleanups and redevelopment?

1. Please visit the Remediation and Redevelopment (RR) Program web site at <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/law/rr>. We have web pages with information on cleanup, financial assistance, liability and many other topics.
2. Please see our other publications. All RR Program publications may be located on the "Publications" page of our web site. Here are a few that may be of interest:
  - *Environmental Services Contractors List* (publication RR-024)
  - *Environmental Contamination Basics* (publication RR-674)
  - *The Financial Resources Guide for Cleanup and Redevelopment* (publication RR-539)
  - *Brownfield Basics – Tools for Cleaning Up and Redeveloping Contaminated Properties* (publication RR-663)
3. For site specific information, please contact the RR Program in a DNR regional office.

### DNR Remediation & Redevelopment Regional Offices

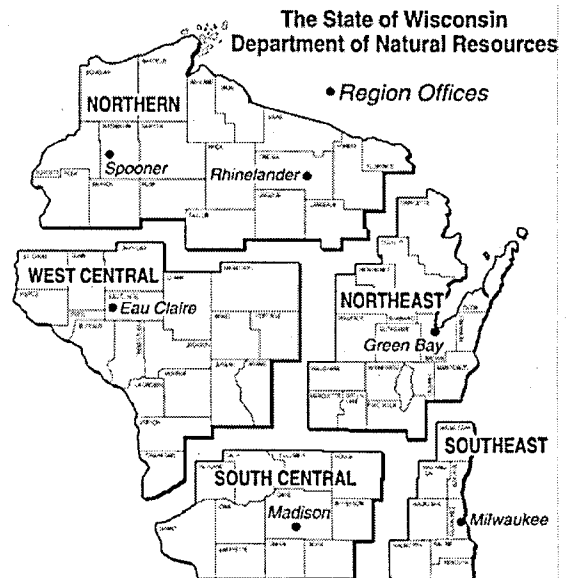
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