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SUBJECT:

Final Case Closure - Karen's Korner

8814 South County Road E, Town of Bennett, Douglas County, Wisconsin

DNR BRRTS Activity #03-16-544587

Dear Ms. Lakostik and Mr. Whitwell:

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) considers the Karen's Korner site closed. No further investigation or remediation is required at this time. Provide this letter to anyone who purchases this property from you.

This final closure decision is based on the correspondence and data provided and is issued under Wis. Admin. Code chs. NR 726 and 727. The DNR's Northern Region Closure Committee reviewed the request for closure on February 6, 2020. The Closure Committee reviewed this environmental remediation case for compliance with state laws and standards to maintain consistency in the closure of these cases. The DNR issued a remaining actions needed letter on February 10, 2020, and documentation that the conditions in that letter were met was received on June 22, 2020.

The investigative and remedial activities completed at this site were conducted for the discharge of hazardous substances, environmental pollution, or both (hereinafter referred to as contamination) at this site, which was historically used as a tavern with an attached residence. Petroleum contamination was discovered during the removal of underground storage tanks on August 11, 2005. Remedial actions included a 330-ton excavation and groundwater monitoring. The conditions of closure are based on the property being used for commercial purposes. Case closure under Wis. Admin. Code chs. NR 726 and NR 727 are granted for the contaminants analyzed during the site investigation, as documented in the DNR case file.



PECFA Reimbursement

Per Wis. Stat. § 292.63 (2) (ac), a claim for Petroleum Environmental Cleanup Fund Award (PECFA) reimbursement must be submitted within 180 days of incurring costs, or by June 30, 2020, whichever comes first, or the costs will not be eligible for PECFA reimbursement.

In addition, Wis. Stat. § 292.63 (4) (cc) requires that PECFA claimants seeking reimbursement of interest costs, for sites with petroleum contamination, submit a final reimbursement claim within 120 days after they receive a closure letter on their site, or by June 30, 2020, whichever comes first, or interest costs will not be eligible for PECFA reimbursement.

Please be aware that the case may be reopened pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § NR 727.13, if additional information regarding site conditions indicates that contamination on or from the site poses a threat to public health, safety, or welfare or to the environment.

The DNR appreciates your efforts to restore the environment at this site. If you have any questions regarding this closure decision or anything outlined in this letter, please contact Carrie Stoltz at (715) 365-8942 or at Carrie.Stoltz@Wisconsin.gov. You can also contact me at (715) 685-2920 or by email at Christopher.Saari@wisconsin.gov.

Sincerely,

Christopher A. Saari

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Remediation and Redevelopment Program

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