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May 16, 2014

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North Point Cleaners Paul Hanna, Inc. Attn: Mr. Paul Hanna 1922 East Thomas Avenue Milwaukee, WI 53211-4360

Subject: Reported Contamination at 1922 East Thomas Avenue Milwaukee, WI

FID: 241085130 BRRTS: 02-41-552236 Tax Key: 319-0704-6

Dear Mr. Hanna,

On September 3, 2008, you were notified by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources ("the Department") of your responsibility to investigate and, as needed, clean up contamination located at the above-referenced property. As the Responsible Party (RP) of this property, you have certain legal responsibilities, as outlined in Section 292.11(3), Wisconsin Statues, also known as the hazardous substances spills law. Section 292.11(3) 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 effects from the discharge to the air, lands, or waters of the State."

Our records indicate that your site has not completed an investigation and/or remediation of the tetrachloroethene (PCE) contamination reported to the Department since 2008. In order to get this case back on track toward remediation of the existing contamination and ultimately, DNR case closure, please have your environmental consultant prepare and submit documentation on the status of this case. If you do not have an environmental consultant, please notify the Department **in writing** within 30-days on receipt of this letter your choice of environmental consultant. Within 60-days on receipt of this letter, your environmental consultant must submit a site investigation plan to the Department meeting the requirements of Section NR 722.13, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

Failure to respond to this letter will be viewed as an admission that you do not intend to pursue an investigation and remediation of the contamination associated with the site. In that situation, we will recommend further enforcement actions be initiated. Enforcement actions could include the recording of an affidavit at the Milwaukee County Register of Deeds Office indicating contamination remains, while at the same time issuing an administrative order, or making direct referral to the State Attorney General's Office to recoup our costs, and any associated fees that may have been due. Any referral to the State Attorney General's Office could result in forfeitures.

Please see the attached letters pertaining to this case.



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If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at the above address or at (414) 263-8644. Please refer to the FID and BRRTS number at the top of this letter in any future correspondence. Future correspondence should be sent directly to the Remediation and Redevelopment Program Assistant Vicky Stovall (414-263-8688) at the above address.

Sincerely,

John J. Hnat, P.G., C.P.G. Project Manager\Hydrogeologist Southeast Region Remediation and Redevelopment

Attachments: Reported Contamination at North Point Cleaners dated September 3, 2008 Request for Status Update dated June 14, 2011 Request for Status Update September 23, 2011

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September 3, 2008

Mr. Gene Han Paul Hanna, Inc. 1922 E. Thomas Ave. Milwaukee, WI 53211

> Subject: Reported Contamination at North Point Cleaners, 1922 E. Thomas Ave., Milwaukee, WI WDNR BRRTS Activity # 02-41-552236

WDNR FID # 241085130

Dear Mr. Han:

On August 26, 2008, Northern Environmental, on behalf of North Point Cleaners, notified the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources ("WDNR") that chlorinated solvent contamination had been detected in soil at the site described above.

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, possible financial assistance, and working cooperatively with the WDNR, Department of Commerce ("Commerce") or the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection.

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:

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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. 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 <u>first</u> steps to take:

- 1. Within the next **30 days,** by October 3, 2008, you should submit <u>written</u> 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 3, 2008, your consultant should submit a work plan and schedule for the investigation. The consultant must comply with the requirements in the NR 700 Wis. Adm. Code rule series and should adhere to current WDNR technical guidance documents.

In addition, within 30 days of completion of the site investigation, your consultant should submit a site investigation report to the department or other agency with administrative authority.

For sites with petroleum contamination, when your investigation has established the degree and extent of contamination, your consultant will be able to determine whether the Department of Commerce or the WDNR has authority over the case. For agrichemicals, your case will be transferred to the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection for oversight.

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 (<u>http://botw.dnr.state.wi.us/botw/Welcome.do</u>) and use the feedback system to alert us to any errors in the data.

If you want a formal written response from the department 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 and cleanup 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:

Victoria Stovall Remediation and Redevelopment Program Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources 2300 N. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr. Milwaukee, WI 53212 Victoria.Stovall@wisconsin.gov

Unless otherwise requested, please send only one copy of plans and reports. In addition to the paper copy, an electronic copy may also be submitted. To speed processing, correspondence should reference the BRRTS and FID numbers (if assigned) shown at the top of this letter.

Additional Information for Site Owners:

We encourage you to visit our website at <u>http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr</u>, where you can find information on selecting a consultant, financial assistance and understanding the cleanup process. You will also find information there about liability clarification letters, post-cleanup liability, dry cleaner sites and more. Specific links that may interest you are provided below.

If you have questions, call the DNR project manager, John Hnat at (414) 263-8644 for more information or visit the RR web site at the address above.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Victoria Stovall Environmental Program Associate Remediation & Redevelopment Program

Cc: SER site file

Selecting a Consultant – RR-502

http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr/archives/pubs/RR502.pdf

Environmental Services Contractor List – RR-024 http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr/archives/pubs/RR024.pdf

VPLE Fact Sheet #2 http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr/archives/pubs/RR506.pdf

Environmental Contamination Basics, RR-674 http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr/archives/pubs/RR674.pdf

Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Program: Is the Program for Me?, RR-632 <u>http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr/archives/pubs/RR632.pdf</u>

Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Program: Talkin' Basics, RR-631 <u>http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr/archives/pubs/RR631.pdf</u>

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June 14, 2011

PAUL HANNA INC GENE HAN 1922 E THOMAS AVE MILWAUKEE, WI 53211

SUBJECT: Request for Status Update NORTH POINT CLEANERS, 1922 E THOMAS AVE, MILWAUKEE, WI FID #241085130 WDNR BRRTS #02-41-552236

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Sincerely

JOHN HNAT (414) 263-8644 John Hnat@wisconsin.gov Remediation and Redevelopment Program

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