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May 19, 2016

Mr. Ken Brown  
Illinois Tool Works, Inc.  
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Glenview, IL 60025-5811

Subject: Technical Assistance Request  
Former West Bend Company – Area 1, 400 Washington St., West Bend, WI  
FID# 267004650, BRRTS# 02-67-558358

Dear Mr. Brown:

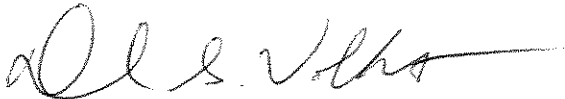
On March 25, 2016, the Department of Natural Resources ("DNR") received the March 22, 2016 *Progress Report* prepared by Tetra Tech for the above referenced site. Included with the Progress Report were a Technical Assistance Request (DNR Form 4400-237) and the appropriate review fee. The Progress Report summarized the remedial activities, additional monitoring well installations, and groundwater monitoring events at the site. In the Progress Report, it was concluded that the chemical oxidation injections have remediated the elevated trichloroethylene (TCE) concentrations in groundwater, and residual TCE concentrations in the soil are not adversely affecting groundwater at the site. It was therefore recommended to request case closure for Area 1.

The DNR reviewed the Progress Report including the groundwater contaminant trends, and considered potential vapor migration pathways in the area of the site. At the DNR's request, Tetra Tech provided additional information regarding the location of the site's current utilities, which Tetra Tech concluded would not act as a vapor migration pathway to the Townhomes at Rivershores. The DNR agrees with Tetra Tech's conclusion. The DNR therefore concludes that based on the completed remedial actions and the significant reduction of TCE in groundwater, a request for case closure would be appropriate.

When applying for case closure, have your consultant use DNR Form 4400-202. Please be aware that due to the remaining TCE groundwater contaminant plume and residual soil impacts, the DNR would require as a continuing obligation of case closure that the construction of new buildings would have to include vapor control technologies, unless the property owner assesses the potential for vapor intrusion, and the DNR agrees that vapor control technologies are not needed.

The DNR appreciates your efforts to restore the environment at this site. If you have any questions the case or anything outlined in this letter, please contact me at the letterhead address, by phone at (262) 574-2166, or by e-mail at [david.volkert@wisconsin.gov](mailto:david.volkert@wisconsin.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David G. Volkert", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David G, Volkert, P.G.  
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Remediation & Redevelopment Program

cc: Mike Noel, Tetra Tech  
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