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From: Edler, Alex R - DNR
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2016 2:04 PM
To: 'lee.amundson@ki.com'
Cc: 'rona@metcohq.com'
Subject: RE: Update and Contact information - Alex Edler DNR

Hello Lee,

Thanks for writing back. I am happy to hear that you understand the need to move this site forward. I gave Ron a call and we talked through where to go from here. Ron expressed to me that he knows what to do next and that he will do and support in any way that he can to get this moving.

I understand your situation with the prior gas station and also the drycleaner equipment and sorry to say that this is a way to common of a situation. I have multiple cases where fuel tanks were buried in the 1940's or prior and the tanks were just found in the past year. The property has changed hands 8+ times but as the person who is in "possession and control" when the contamination is reported that individual is the responsible party per state statute.

The good news in your situation is that you have PECFA funding available to you to cover most of the costs for the petroleum cleanup at your property.

Ron is anticipating your call (608) 781-8879 and looks forward assisting with the next steps i.e. filling out the paperwork, etc...

I am copying Ron on this email also.

I am here for you if you have any more questions,

Sincerely,

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From: Lee Amundson [mailto:lee.amundson@ki.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2016 12:55 PM
To: Edler, Alex R - DNR
Subject: RE: Update and Contact information - Alex Edler DNR

Alex,

Yes I have spoken to Ron Anderson and I agree he is very knowledgeable of the clean-up process. He has been very patient with me. I am having a very difficult time dealing with this issue mostly because I never operated a gas station at this site and the time I operated as a drycleaners I had the most up to date equipment. (It had been operated as a drycleaners prior to my purchase)

What is my next step? I need to move forward.

Thanks,
Lee

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From: Edler, Alex R - DNR [<mailto:Alex.Edler@wisconsin.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2016 9:49 AM
To: Lee Amundson <lee.amundson@ki.com>
Subject: Update and Contact information - Alex Edler DNR

Good Morning Lee – thanks for taking my call, pleasure to talk with you and hope I didn't catch you at a bad time.

Here is my contact info and look forward chatting with you about PECFA funding you were awarded (up to \$190,000) for the petroleum clean-up located at 1404 S. Webster. Brrts#0305560082 PECFA#54301250404

I'm sure that you are aware, but the department wanted to remind you as the responsible party for the clean-up of the hazardous substance to the environment, you are legally responsible under Section 292.11 of the Wisconsin Statutes to restore the environment to the extent practicable and minimize the harmful effects from the discharge to the air, lands or waters of this state.

Pecfa funds are currently available but the program is going to ending soon and currently funds for the above site are available to assist you financially with an investigation, remediation and eventual case closure. Many environmental consultants are willing to act as agents on PECFA clean-up sites and will manage the cleanup and carry the costs on behalf of the responsible party until a claim for PECFA reimbursement is paid. This means there would be little out of pocket cost to complete the cleanup and bring the site to closure. If you want a list of these consultants let me know and I will get it to you.

I understand Ron from METCO sent you some paperwork. Ron and METCO historically have been a good company to work with and since they are aware of your site may be the quickest option at this time, but you are available to work with whomever you like just as long as this site gets moving soon. When the PECFA program sunsets the responsibility will still be yours to clean up, but the money to assist will be gone.

Sincerely,

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