



November 23, 2021

Mr. Mike Higgins  
Mid-America Steel Drum Company  
9750 South Chicago Road  
Oak Creek, WI 53225

Subject: **Status Update Request**  
Mid-America Steel Drum Company Inc/Kitzinger, 2529 E. Norwich Ave, St.  
Francis  
DNR BRRTS Activity # 02-41-560089  
DNR FID # 241063570

Dear Mr. Higgins:

On February 14, 2013, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) notified you of your legal responsibilities under Wisconsin Statute (Wis. Stat.) § 292.11 to investigate the degree and extent of the hazardous substance discharge on the above-referenced site. The DNR has not received information concerning your efforts to respond to this hazardous substance discharge since updated analytical tables were provided on October 5, 2020. The DNR requests that by January 7, 2022, you provide a written status update summarizing the work completed since the last submittal, actions planned to be conducted at this site, and the expected schedule for completing upcoming activities. This update should include a discussion of the efforts being made to assess the presence of emerging contaminants and their potential to impact this site as requested in DNR's August 17, 2020 letter.

As the responsible party for this hazardous substance discharge, you have the legal responsibility under Wis. Stat. § 292.11 to investigate and clean up contamination resulting from the hazardous substance discharge. The DNR will work with you to move this site towards closure.

Your legal responsibilities are defined in statute and in administrative code. The hazardous substances spill law, Wis. Stat. § 292.11(3), states "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 (Wis. Admin. Code) chs. NR 700 to NR 799 establish requirements for emergency and interim actions, public information, site investigations, design and operation of remedial action systems, and case closure.

The DNR appreciates your cooperation and looks forward to an update regarding this site. If you have any questions regarding the site or this letter, please contact me at (414) 405-0764 or [paul.grittner@wisconsin.gov](mailto:paul.grittner@wisconsin.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul Grittner". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P" and a stylized "G".

Paul Grittner  
Hydrogeologist  
Remediation & Redevelopment Program

cc:

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