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SUBJECT: Status Update Request for 5750 W Fond Du Lac Ave Property 5750 W Fond Du Lac Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53216 BRRTS#02-41-562317, FID# 241408090

Dear Mr. Taper:

On February 6, 2015, 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 the *Notification For Hazardous Substance Discharge and Site Assessment Data* was submitted on July 17, 2014. The DNR requests that a written status update confirming the hiring of a qualified environmental consultant be submitted by **February 7, 2024.** 

# Legal Responsibilities:

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) chapters 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.

# **Special Vapor Intrusion Concern with Trichloroethylene:**

Contamination that includes trichloroethylene ("TCE"), a chlorinated solvent and common degreaser, is of special concern from a human health perspective due to its potential for acute (short-term) health risks at relatively low concentrations in air. Vapors can travel from contaminated soil or groundwater and along preferential pathways, such as within sewer lines, and enter occupied buildings. This is known as vapor intrusion (VI). Because TCE is a contaminant of concern at the site, assessment of the vapor intrusion pathway and the actions requested below should be prioritized and completed as soon as possible. For additional information regarding the potential health risks associated with TCE, see the attached Department of Health Services fact sheet "TCE in the Air." For an overview on VI, see "What is Vapor Intrusion?" (RR-892). For more information, go to dnr.wi.gov and search "vapor." Additional technical guidance on VI is available in "Addressing Vapor Intrusion at Remediation & Redevelopment Sites in Wisconsin" (RR-800).

# Vapor Screening Assessment Needed:

A vapor intrusion screening assessment has not been provided to the DNR to date. Perform a vapor intrusion screening assessment to determine whether vapor sampling is warranted at the site and/or off-site properties. Site specific information such as contaminant type, concentrations, preferential pathways, and distances from receptors should be considered in the screening assessment. Guidance regarding the performance of vapor intrusion screening assessments can be found in the DNR document, "Addressing Vapor Intrusion at Remediation



and Redevelopment Sites in Wisconsin" (RR-800). This vapor screening assessment should be included in the written status update requested above.

### **Additional Information:**

Submit the status update to the DNR using the RR Program Submittal Portal at dnr.wi.gov (search "RR submittal portal" or use this direct link: <u>https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Brownfields/Submittal.html</u>). Questions on using this portal can be directed to the Project Manager below or to the environmental program associate (EPA) for the regional DNR office. Visit dnr.wi.gov, search "RR contacts" and select the EPA tab (<u>https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Brownfields/Contact.html</u>)

All other correspondence regarding this site should be directed to the DNR Project Manager, <u>mackenzie.reynolds@wisconsin.gov</u> or by mail to:

Mackenzie Reynolds Remediation and Redevelopment Program Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources 1027 W St Paul Ave Milwaukee, WI 53233

The DNR is requesting that within 30 days, by **February 7, 2024**, you inform the DNR in writing of your intentions to return this case to compliance by hiring a qualified environmental consultant and submitting a status update.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 608-400-9934 or mackenzie.reynolds@wisconsin.gov. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Mackenzie Reynolds

Mackenzie Reynolds Hydrogeologist- Remediation & Redevelopment Program Southeast Region

Enclosures: February 6, 2015, Responsible Party Letter from DNR TCE in the Air – Wisconsin Department of Health Services <u>p02480.pdf (SECURED) (wisconsin.gov)</u> What is Vapor Intrusion? – DNR <u>RR892.pdf (widen.net)</u>