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Subject:

Notice of Intent to Recoup Expenses, Ashview Terrace Apartments, 988-1020 Willard

Drive, Ashwaubenon, WI

BRRTS Activity #02-05-564043

Dear Mr. Kawleski:

As a result of a search of Brown County property records in conjunction with the Ashwaubenon High School polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) contamination case, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (Department) discovered a lease agreement signed in 1952 between Hattie Willard and the former Fort Howard Paper Company (Fort Howard). The lease agreement allowed Fort Howard (currently Georgia-Pacific LLC) to dump mill waste into a borrow pit located on property owned by Hattie Willard. The Ashview Terrace Apartments' property, located at 988-1020 Willard Drive, is on the site of the former borrow pit.

Following the discovery of the lease agreement, as part of due-diligence, the Department investigated the possibility of PCB contaminated waste being present on the Ashview Terrace Apartments property. The Department contracted with OMNNI Associates (OMNNI) to sample the apartment complex on February 12, 2015. The investigation identified PCB concentrations greater than environmental health standards; results were reported in a February 23, 2015 OMNNI report.

Further due-diligence by the Department consisted of contracting with OMNNI to investigate shallow soil at Playmates Childcare located immediately east of the apartment complex at 980 Willard Drive. The investigation was conducted on April 17, 2015 and results were included in an OMNNI report dated May 18, 2015. No PCB contamination above environmental standards was detected.

This letter constitutes the Department's formal notice that under s. 292.11(7) (b), Stats., Georgia-Pacific LLC is liable for the expenses incurred by the Department with regard to the investigation of PCB contamination on the properties occupied by the Ashview Terrace Apartments and Playmates Childcare.

If you have questions, please contact Robert Klauk by phone at 920-662-5164 or email at Robert Klauk@wisconsin.gov.

Sincerely,

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