



May 17, 2021

Outagamie County  
BRRTS # 02-45-586961  
**EMAILED**

Brett Donaldson  
Donaldson One Hour Cleaners Inc. dba Donaldson's Cleaners  
5365 W. Clairemont Drive  
Appleton, WI 54913  
[bdonaldson@donaldsonscleaners.com](mailto:bdonaldson@donaldsonscleaners.com)

Subject: **NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

Dear Mr. Donaldson:

This letter is to advise you that the Department of Natural Resources (department) has reason to believe that Donaldson's One Hour Cleaners Inc. dba Donaldson's Cleaners (DOHC) is in violation of the state hazardous substance spill law, ch. 292, Wisconsin Statutes (Wis. Stats.), at its facility located at 1835 E. Edgewood Drive, Suite 101, Appleton, WI 54913, Outagamie County, Wisconsin (the Site). It is our understanding that DOHC was renting and operating dry cleaner machines utilizing solvents at the Site from at least June 2004 until June 2020 but has since closed operations and vacated the Site.

DOHC is a "responsible party" under s. NR 700.03(51), Wisconsin Administrative Code, and is required to take a response action under ch. 292, Wis. Stats., as identified in the responsible party letter sent to you on December 23, 2020. (BRRTS# 02-45-586961)

The department alleges the following violations:

- 1. Section 292.11(3), Wis. Stats. Responsibility. A person who possess 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 this state.**

The department issued a responsible party letter on December 23, 2020, requiring DOHC to address solvent contamination it caused at the site which was subsequently discovered. Since December 2020, DOHC has not moved forward with the required site investigation.

The department believes DOHC has failed to take required actions to restore the environment to the extent practicable.

Please be advised that the department is authorized under ch. 292, Wis. Stats. to seek injunctive or other appropriate relief for violations of spill pollution laws, including forfeitures of not more than \$5,000 per day of violation pursuant to s. 292.99, Wis. Stats. Each day of violation is considered a separate offense.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (920) 808-0045 or email at [jennifer.pelczar@wisconsin.gov](mailto:jennifer.pelczar@wisconsin.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jennifer Pelczar". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Jennifer Pelczar  
Environmental Enforcement Specialist

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