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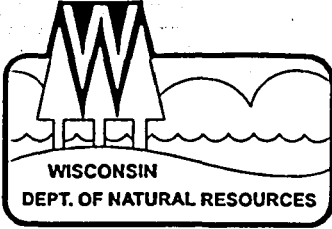
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June 24, 1999

Mr. Gary Schuster
Cleaners of Merrill
219 E Second St
Merrill, WI 54452

Re: Petroleum Contamination Near Cleaners of Merrill, 219 E Second St, Merrill, WI

Dear Mr. Schuster:

In January, 1999 the Department of Natural Resources received a report from Strand Associates on a Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessment that was done for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. Results of samples during this assessment indicate that contamination was identified in the soils on the street adjacent to your property. You received a copy of the report that further explains the nature of the contamination.

Due to the discovery of contamination, additional investigation must be conducted to determine the source(s) and extent of contamination. If necessary, the Department may hire a private contractor to identify the source(s) of contamination. In that case we must take action to recover our costs from those property owners who possess contamination.

If you believe that your property is a potential source of the contamination, you should proceed with an environmental assessment to determine the source and extent of the contamination. Please notify me in writing within 7 days whether you will evaluate your property for sources of contamination. Enclosed is a list of the consultants who perform this type of work. The Department has prepared technical guidance documents which consultants must follow to adequately complete environmental work.

Your cooperation in addressing the environmental contamination will be greatly appreciated. If you have any other questions, please call me at 715-365-8990.

Sincerely,
NORTHERN REGION

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