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Hello Jane and Tyler,

Thank you for your support. We mobilized today and the following tasks were performed :

- Jeremy provided access to the East Block.
- Baseline reading of VOCs were taken using a PID meter.
- A two-member crew installed three high capacity exhaust fans one at each floor.
- The response team conducted smoke test to check for leakage.
- The area with leakage was sealed.
- We will mobilize tomorrow at 8: 30 am with a two-member crew, take baseline readings, continue smoke test and seal the areas with leakage, measure vacuum in the areas undergoing repair, and work on enhancing ventilation.

Once again, thank you all for your support and cooperation.

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Hi Dr. Singh,

This is a very welcomed development.

Yes, you and your team have permission to access the East Block of CWC and begin corrective measures.

Let me know if you have questions.

**Tyler Weber, MPH**

**Interim Health Commissioner**

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Sorry, I needed to correct few emails.

Thank you.

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Hello Tyler,

We are in receipt of your letter this morning regarding evacuation and closure of the East Block of CWC. It is our understanding that evacuation of the tenants will be completed today. KSingh, as a consultant for CWC would like to start taking corrective measures starting tomorrow morning. This will require your approval to enter the building, begin ventilation, conduct smoke testing, seal any cracks, verify that sealing is satisfactory, measure vacuum, use GC to test for TCE at various locations in the building, and make necessary improvements in the operation of the vapor mitigation system. These tasks are scheduled starting tomorrow. We anticipate it will take a minimum of a week to bring the TCE concentrations to acceptable levels. We will complete the work by following appropriate health and safety protocol. KSingh staff is current with 40-hour Health and Safety Training. We will also share the progress we will be making on a regular basis.

We request your approval to proceed with the response action as soon as possible.

Thank you.

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Good Morning,

Please see attached for an Order for closure and evacuation of Community Within the Corridor East Block.

MHD will be conducting evacuations shortly.

Let me know if you have any questions.

**Tyler Weber, MPH**

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Greetings All,

On 03/23/23, *Results of First Round Passive Air Sampling and Contingency Actions* (the Report) was submitted to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) by K. Singh & Associates, Inc. (K. Singh) on behalf of the responsible party, Community Within the Corridor Limited Partnership, which you represent. The DNR discussed the Report with K. Singh during a meeting on 03/24/23, which Community Within the Corridor Limited Partnership was unable to attend. The Report presents indoor air data collected during the first round of vapor mitigation system (VMS) commissioning, collected between 02/28 – 03/01 and submitted on 03/23/23. Trichloroethylene (TCE) was found at concentrations that exceed its applicable vapor action level (VAL) of 2.1 micrograms per cubic meter ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) at nineteen locations within residential and communal spaces, with the highest value at 400  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ .

On 03/23/23 K. Singh informed the DNR that women of childbearing years currently occupy the site building. As you are aware, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) has informed the DNR that TCE poses a short-term (i.e., acute) health risk to certain populations when identified in indoor air at concentrations exceeding its VAL. More specifically, TCE presents an acute risk of fetal heart malformation that may occur when a pregnant mother is exposed to TCE vapors in the first trimester of pregnancy, as indicated in Section 3.4.1 of DNR's Vapor Intrusion guidance, *Addressing Vapor Intrusion at Remediation & Redevelopment Sites in Wisconsin*, [RR-800](#).

Attached is a letter, dated 03/25/21, from the DHS to the DNR that presents additional information on acute health risks and recommended timeframes for follow-up actions that are required in Code to address threats to human health. This DHS letter specifies that the property owner install a vapor mitigation system (VMS) within two weeks. A VMS has already been installed at this site and operates as a soil vapor extraction system. Additionally, DHS recommends that all women in the above-described sensitive demographic should be consulted about these TCE health risks in order for them to make informed decisions about whether to stay within the dwelling. See attached 06/02/22 DHS letter to DNR providing additional information.

Wis. Admin. Code § NR 708.05 requires the responsible party to immediately take actions to halt or minimize harmful effects of environmental pollution to the air. The DNR has provided the indoor air sample results to the DHS. Based on the site specific conditions and the identified concentrations of TCE at the site building, the DHS has provided a recommendation of temporary relocation of occupants as the an immediate action to interrupt human exposure to the TCE in the building, while additional steps as described in your submittal are taken to address the vapor intrusion. Please refer to the ITRC fact sheet, *Rapid Response & Ventilation for Vapor Intrusion Mitigation Fact Sheet* (document [here](#)), for additional guidance on recommended immediate response actions, including temporary relocation of occupants. As you

implement immediate actions at this site, please work closely with the DNR, DHS, and the local City of Milwaukee Health Department, and keep the DNR informed of your actions.

Per Wis. Admin. Code § NR 714.07, the DNR is requiring that tenants be notified of the presence of TCE in the building indoor air above levels that pose an acute health risk and inform them of steps being taken and that need to be taken to respond to the risk. The DNR can provide input and assistance with notification, if desired. The DNR is also requesting that you provide contact information (name, email address, and phone number) for the tenants, as well as documentation that you have provided notification to them. This information should be provided as soon as possible.

Given the acute risk posed by the contaminants, please provide daily update emails and/or phone calls to the DNR, DHS, and the local City of Milwaukee Health Department with regard to the progress of the immediate actions that are implemented. Do not hesitate to reach out should you have any questions.

Thank you, Jane

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