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In Re: Property Located in the Village of Sechlerville, (now the Village of Hixton), Jackson County, more particularly described as:

A piece of land being a part of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 18, Township 22 North, Range 5 West, Jackson County, Wisconsin. More particularly described as "lot two and lot three except that part conveyed for highway purposes, all in block eighteen, in the Village of Sechlerville, (now the Village of Hixton), Jackson County, Wisconsin.

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
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COUNTY OF JACKSON)

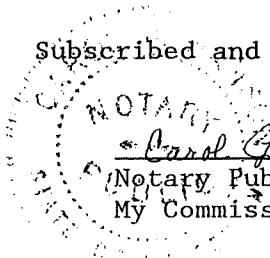
Mr. Thomas J. Reininger, being first duly sworn, states that:

1. He is a Hydrogeologist employed by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources at its Black River Falls Area Office.
2. He has personal knowledge of the facts herein set forth and believes the same to be true.
3. The Department of Natural Resources has determined that a petroleum discharge at the "Former Hunter's Corner Store", which is located in the Village of Sechlerville, (now the Village of Hixton), Jackson County, and which has the above captioned legal description, has contaminated soil and groundwater in the vicinity.
4. The Department of Natural Resources believes that removal or treatment of the contaminated soil and groundwater monitoring, are required on the property under authority of s. 292.11, Wis. Stats.
5. On August 19, 1996, the Department of Natural Resources sent a letter to Mr. Carl Stone, owner of the "Former Hunter's Store" advising him of the statutory requirement to restore the environment at that location. An inadequate response to the letter was received.
6. On October 17, 1996, the Department of Natural Resources sent a certified letter to Mr. Carl Stone advising that an affidavit of contamination would be recorded if satisfactory action to restore the environment did not commence. That letter requested a written response by November 18, 1996. No response to that letter was received by the Department.
7. On December 4, 1996, the Department sent a certified letter to Mr. Carl Stone informing him of an Enforcement Conference set for January 7, 1997. He was not present at the conference.

- 8. On January 20, 1997, the Department sent a certified letter to Mr. Carl Stone advising that the Department would record an affidavit.
- 9. Because the Department of Natural Resources believes that petroleum contamination currently found in the soil on the property with the above legal description, will continue to discharge into the environment, subsequent purchasers of the property could be held responsible for clean-up costs under section 292.11, Wis. Stats.

Thomas J. Kevinger

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of Jan., 1997.



Carl Q. Hanson
Notary Public, State Wisconsin
My Commission expires on: 9-27-98

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