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Subject: Approval for Management of Contaminated Soil under Wis. Admin. Code § NR 718.12
Former Marathon Printing (Vacant Lot), 1010 N. 1st St., Wausau, BRRTS# 02-37-560480
Former Hammerblow Corporation, 920-1000 N. 1st St., Wausau, BRRTS# 02-37-000608

Dear Mr. Barker:

On October 16, 2016, Jeffrey Steiner, Ayers Associates Inc. (Ayers) submitted a request to manage contaminated soil at the Former Marathon Printing Property and Former Hammerblow property. Approximately 4,460 cubic yards (CY) will be managed from the Former Marathon Printing property and 3,105 CY will be managed from the Hammerblow property. The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) received the $1,050 technical assistance and GIS registry fee for providing review and response in accordance with Wis. Admin. Code § NR 749.04.

Summary of Proposed Soil Management Activities
Ayers provided the following volume estimates for material to be handled on the **Former Marathon Printing Property**:

ESTIMATED EARTHWORK			
ITEM	LOCATION (#02-37-560480)- 1010 NORTH 1st Street		
	BUILDINGS (CY)	WTR/SAN/STORM (CY)	RDWY (CY)
CUT (TOPSOIL-CAP)	513		451
CUT (CLEAN-CAP)	1232		902
CUT (CONTAMINATED)	3888	521	51
FILL	1381		1462

The October 2017 exemption request states that contaminated soil from the Former Marathon Printing Property will remain on-site, and will not be co-mingled with soil on the Hammerblow site.

Ayers provided the following volume estimates for material to be handled on the **Former Hammerblow Corporation Property**:

ESTIMATED EARTHWORK				
ITEM	LOCATION (#02-37-000608) 920-1000 NORTH 1st Street			
	BUILDINGS (CY)	WTR/SAN/STORM CY)	RDWY (CY)	FUTURE RDWY(CY)
CUT (TOPSOIL-CAP)	62	95	689	440
CUT (CLEAN-CAP)	153	190	1373	880
CUT (CONTAMINATED)	287	2299	519	
FILL	540		1528	875

The October 2017 exemption request states that contaminated soil from the Former Hammerblow Corporation Property will remain on-site, and will not be co-mingled with soil on the Former Marathon Printing Property.

The October 2017 report states that impacted soil unable to be reused at its respective site will be disposed of a Subtitle D landfill.

Summary of Wis. Admin. Code § NR718 Exemption Requests and Exemption Approvals

An exception to the soil characterization requirement outlined in Wis. Admin. Code § NR718.12(1)(e) was requested for both sites based on the rational that extensive soil sampling has been performed at each site.

> The DNR **approves** the exemption request based on the number of soil samples previously taken from each site. Site investigation activities on both the Former Marathon Printing Property and Former Hammerblow Property have characterized soil contamination in the areas where impacted soil will be managed.

An exemption to managing soil within 300 feet of the Wisconsin River, Wis. Admin. Code § NR718.12(1)(c)(3), was requested for each site.

> After considering the requirements of Wis. Admin. Code § NR718.12(1)(d) the DNR **approves** the exemption request to manage material within 300 feet of the Wisconsin River. Groundwater samples taken from each site has indicated that the historic fill within the soil is not affecting groundwater quality at either site, thus it is acceptable to manage soil within 300 feet of the river.

The Soil Management Plan has been determined to be complete, as defined by Wis. Admin. § NR 718.12(2)(b). The proposed management of contaminated material at this site is expected to meet the criteria of Wis. Admin. §§ NR 726.13(1)(b)1 to 5. Material that will be managed on site is expected not to result in an increased risk to health or the environment.

If you have any questions regarding this approval decision, please contact me by calling (715) 839-3750, or by email at MatthewA.Thompson@wisconsin.gov.

Sincerely,

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