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Meyer Farms, Inc. Lloyd Meyer, Todd Meyer N2092 County Road G Chilton, WI 53014

SUBJECT: Satisfaction of Notice of Discharge

Dear Sirs:

On March 19, 2015 the Department of Natural Resources (Department) issued a Notice of Discharge to Meyer Farms, Inc. for manure discharges to waters of the state resulting from a spill on December 8, 2014 at your operation located in the NW SW S06 T17N R20E, Town of Brothertown, Calumet County.

The Department completed a site inspection on October 5, 2015 and determined that all actions necessary to fulfill the Notice of Discharge have been completed. In the unlikely event of another spill, it is your responsibility to immediately stop the discharge, follow your Manure Spill Emergency Response Plan, and report to the Department's Spill Emergency Hotline at 1-800-943-0003.

The Department has received documentation from the Calumet County Land and Water Conservation Department (County) that you have completed installation of practices cost shared with a Targeted Runoff Management grant (grant). Please note there are specific grant requirements related to expansion of your operation which had 982 AU at the time of grant application. Any expansion to 1000 or greater animal units within 12 months of the grant period is a significant expansion and makes the entire project ineligible for cost sharing. The grant period does not end until the Department has processed final reimbursement and closed the grant. Your grant is still considered active today, even though you have completed installing the cost shared practices.

Specifically, s. NR 153.15, Wis. Adm. Code (enclosed), states that ineligible costs are:

Any expansion to a base livestock population size that results in a livestock population size required to apply for a WPDES permit under s. NR 243.12 (1) (a) or (b) is considered to be significant and ineligible for cost sharing under this chapter, and shall also render the base livestock population component ineligible for cost sharing in accordance with par. (f) 2. (NR 153.15(2)(d)3); and

Activities requiring WPDES permit coverage at livestock operations that have, or will have within 12 months, at least 1,000 animal units and are required to apply for a WPDES permit under s. \underline{NR} 243.12 (1) (a) or (b). (NR 153.15(2)(f)2.) .

If you have any questions about the WPDES CAFO permit process, contact Ben Uvaas at 920-303-5433 or Benjamin.Uvaas@Wisconsin.gov. You should submit a completed preliminary permit application at least twelve months before you expand to 1000 or greater animal units. To ensure that your grant project remains eligible for cost share, do not submit a preliminary permit application until 12 months after the grant end date. Do not expand



to 1000 or greater animal units until after you have obtained a WPDES CAFO permit. For this reason, the general length of time after a grant is closed before you can expand is two years.

If you need to determine the grant end date, or you have any further questions, please contact me for assistance at (920) 662-5419 or ErinE.Hanson@wisconsin.gov. Thank you for your actions to address the manure spill and to improve water quality in Calumet County.

Sincerely,

Erin E. Hanson

Nonpoint Source Coordinator

Enclosure: NR 153.15(2)(d)3., Wisconsin Administrative Code

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