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Mr. Clark W. Hinsdale Jr.
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RE: 151 South Champlain Street
Burlington, Vermont
SMS Site # 2003-3098

FIRST LETTER

Dear Mr. Hinsdale Jr.:

A history of commercial land use, and environmental releases of hazardous materials have been documented on your land. Pursuant to Title 10 Part 5 Chapter 159 Section 6617(a) of Vermont Statute, **■Any person who has knowledge of a release or a suspected release and who may be subject to liability for a release, as detailed in section 6615 of this chapter, shall immediately notify the agency.** Accordingly, since the issuance of ATC Associates, Inc. Phase I Environmental Site Assessment of the 151 South Champlain Street parcel in Burlington, August 12, 2002, you have knowledge of the existence of uncontrolled environmental releases on your property. ATC's submission of the Phase I Site Assessment to the VT DEC constitutes proper notification.

The First Letter typically represents the beginning of the process of identifying and remediating contaminated sites in Vermont. However, in the case of your property, the site investigation and corrective action developments occurred while the parcel was being considered conjunctly with 157 South Champlain Street, for redevelopment. Now that the two parcels are separated, the DEC needs to assign your property a separate site number, for tracking purposes. The first letter is sent out to the responsible parties whenever indications exist that there has been a release to the environment. Your site number is SMS # 2003-3098.

In the event that the corrective actions proposed by ATC, on behalf of prospective buyer, City of Burlington, are not undertaken, the VTDEC will request that you complete the site investigation and remediation efforts at this parcel.

The Vermont DEC is interested in achieving a comprehensive understanding of the issues at this site, in order to expeditiously attend the environmental concerns and uncertainties. We are here to help make this process as effective and uncomplicated as possible. Please call me with any questions you may have. I can be reached at (802) 241-3892.

Sincerely,

Hugo Martínez Cazón, P.E.
Sites Management Section

cc: DEC Regional Office (transmitted electronically)
City of Burlington Attention: Health Officer
CEDO-Burlington Nick Warner
ATC Associates, Inc. Steve Znamierowski
USEPA Region 1 Diane Kelley