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July 2, 2008

Ms. Martha Ratcliffe
Windham Housing Trust
68 Birge Street
Brattleboro, VT

Re: Sites Management Action Completed letter; 68 Birge Street, Brattleboro
SMS 2006-3618

Dear Martha,

The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (VTDEC) has reviewed the file documents relating to this property. The Corrective Action Plan has been documented in the following:

Operation and Maintenance Plan, dated July 1, 2008
Post CAP Addendum Report, including Soil Management Plan, dated June 9, 2008
Phase I Corrective Action Plan Addendum #2, including Soil Management Plan, dated July 25, 2007
Additional Site Investigation and Phase I Corrective Action Plan Addendum, date May 22, 2007
Notice to Land Records, entered May 20, 2008

According to the sampling that has occurred, the property has documentation of Arsenic, Polyaromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs), and Trichloroethene (TCE) above the residential exposure guidance levels for direct contact with soil (Arsenic: DoH guidance, others according to EPA Region IX PRGs). Groundwater impacts onsite also included Trichloroethene below the Vermont Groundwater Enforcement Standards (VGES). Other compounds, related chlorinated solvents, and some petroleum products were also detected.

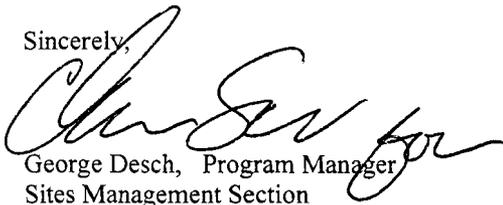
Corrective Action measures included excavation and disposal of contaminated soils. Soil showing contamination below guidance values was moved onsite, and used as fill, which was subsequently capped. To interrupt the potential for remnant soil vapor contaminants to migrate into the building shell, a subslab depressurization system was installed.

Institutional and Engineering Controls include a Notice to Land Records, indicating the areas of excavation limitations, and fill areas. The Engineering Control, represented by the subslab depressurization system, is ensured through the implementation of the approved Operation and Maintenance Plan.

In response to the VTDEC request, the onsite groundwater monitoring wells were closed, according to VTDEC guidance, on July 3, 2008. Consequently the VTDEC is satisfied that this property can receive the Sites Management Action Complete designation.

Based on the above, SMS concurs with ECS' recommendation and is assigning this site a Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC) designation. This SMAC designation does not release you of any past or future liability associated with any potential contamination remaining at the site. It does, however, mean that the SMS is not requesting any additional work at this time. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at (802)-241-3892.

Sincerely,



George Desch, Program Manager
Sites Management Section

Cc: Jeff Kantor
Tom Rigley ECS

