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Cardigan Hospitalities, Inc.
Attn: Mr. Stanley Gresens
14 Valley View Rd.
West Dover, VT

RE: Petroleum Contamination

Site: Deerhill Inn, 14 Valley View Rd., West Dover, VT (SMS Site #2010-4133)

Dear Mr. Gresens:

The Sites Management Section (SMS) has received the Underground Storage Tank (UST) Closure Assessment and Work Plan for Site Investigation for the above referenced property, which was submitted by Environmental Compliance Services and dated December 9, 2010. Contamination was encountered at this site following removal of a petroleum UST.

On November 11, 2010, two 550-gallon heating oil USTs were removed from the site. The USTs were found to be in fair condition, with no holes but significant corrosion. Soils surrounding the UST were screened for volatile substances using a photoionization detector (PID) and had readings up to 573 parts per million (ppm). No groundwater or bedrock was encountered during this work. All soils were backfilled into the excavation. The full extent of contamination was not determined.

Based on the information in the report, the SMS agrees with the recommendations of ECS for additional subsurface investigation work to better characterize the heating oil release. We approve of the implementation of the work scope provided with the UST Closure Assessment. Upon our request, the estimates for the reporting aspect of this work were modified and the receptor assessment was paired with the boring installation to reduce the total approved budget for the work to \$9,391.00.

Based on current information, investigation activities related to petroleum contamination at this property may be eligible for reimbursement from the VT Petroleum Cleanup Fund (PCF). You must provide written proof that no applicable insurance exists in order to receive reimbursement from the PCF. Documentation required must include a complete copy of the applicable property or liability policies that were in place on the date the contamination was discovered; and a pollution coverage statement from the insurance carrier(s). The statement(s) must include name and address of the insurer, the name of the policyholder, policy number(s) and dates of coverage. Also necessary, the name and telephone number of the claims analyst or contact person, and if coverage is denied, then a statement referencing specific policy language invoked to deny coverage of the claim.

The owner or permittee must pay for the initial \$250 of the investigation work. The fund will reimburse the tank owner or permittee for additional eligible cleanup costs of up to \$1 million. All expenditures must be pre-approved by the Agency or performed in accordance with the "Site Investigation Procedure" expressway

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program. Please refer to the guidance document titled, "Procedures for Reimbursement from the Petroleum Cleanup Fund" for additional information concerning the PCF, which is available with other SMS publications at <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/wastediv/publications.htm>.

Please feel free to call me with any questions you may have. I can be reached at (802) 241-3731.

Sincerely,



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Sites Management Section

- c: Alicia Flammia, ECS (submitted via e-mail)
- DEC Regional Office (submitted via e-mail)
- Dover Selectboard
- Dover Health Officer