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Mr. Ryan Moore
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RE: Site Management Activity Completed, Taylor-Moore Insurance Agency, 346 Main St., Derby, VT (SMS Site #2013-4461)

Dear Mr. Moore,

The Sites Management Section (SMS) has received the underground storage tank (UST) closure report for the above referenced site, which was submitted by Gonyaw Environmental Services (GES) and dated December 16, 2013. Subsurface contamination was encountered at this site during the removal of a heating oil UST. Based on the information presented in the report, we have made the following conclusions:

- On October 29, 2013, GES oversaw the removal of a 550-gallon heating oil UST. The tank was noted to be in poor condition and soil contamination was noted in the areas surrounding the tank. Soils surrounding the former tank were screened for petroleum vapors using a photoionization detector (PID) and had readings up to 171 parts per million (ppm). After the excavation of approximately 20 cubic yards of contaminated soil, it did not appear that any significant contamination remained in the subsurface, as verified with a PID. One discrete soil sample was collected from the base of the final excavation and submitted to a laboratory for analysis of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPHs). No VOCs or TPHs were detected in either sample at concentrations in excess of the minimum laboratory detection levels.
- The petroleum contaminated soil was removed from the property and transported to the Waste USA landfill in Coventry for disposal.
- A sensitive receptor assessment was included in the UST investigation. This property is served by the municipal drinking water system. Any residual contamination remaining in the subsurface will dissipate over time. The indoor air of the onsite building was screened with a PID and no elevated readings were recorded.
- No unacceptable risk to human health or the environment is believed to be present due to any residual contamination remaining at the site from the former heating oil UST.

Based on the above, the SMS is assigning this property a Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC) designation. The SMAC designation will not release the owner(s) of the property from any past or future liability associated with the petroleum contamination at the site. It does, however, mean that the SMS is not requesting any additional work in response to the contamination discovered during the removal of the UST earlier this year.

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Please feel free to call myself or Ashley Desmond of the SMS at (802) 828-1138 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Chuck Schwer, Section Chief
Site Management Section

c: Jay Gonyaw, GES
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