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RE: Capital City Press, Airport Road, Berlin, Vermont, VT DEC Site # 770121

Dear Mr. Belcher:

The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), Sites Management Section (SMS), has received and reviewed Joel Behrsing's letter dated October 26, 1998 indicating the drainage swale along the northern portion of the capital City Press facility has been lined. Based on the information contained in the letter and other site file information, the SMS has concluded that the site is eligible for a Site Management Activity completed (SMAC) designation. This is based on the following items:

- Capital City Press, a photographic and printing establishment has been in operation at this location since 1967. During the period from 1967-1984, process wastes were reportedly discharged to two on-site dry wells. Since 1985 industrial waste water has been discharged to the Montpelier Waste Water Treatment System.
- Analytical results for water supply samples indicate any releases that occurred at the property have not resulted in drinking water contamination at levels exceeding Ground Water Enforcement Standards (GWES).
- The drainage swale has been lined with granite stone isolating the soil from direct contact.

Based on these findings, the SMS has determined a Site Management Activities Completed (SMAC) designation is warranted. The SMAC designation does not release Capital City Press from past or future liability which may arise from the contamination that originated from the release that occurred at the Capital City Press. It does mean the SMS is not requiring any additional work be performed at the site at this time.

If the monitor wells are no longer used or maintained, they must be properly closed to eliminate a possible conduit for residual contamination migration into the subsurface. Closure typically involves

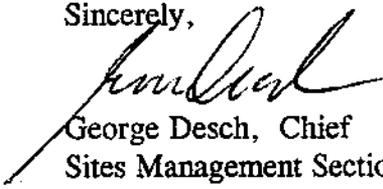
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filling the wells with a grout material to prevent fluid migration into the borehole. Also the road box or well guard must be removed before closure is considered complete. Specific requirements well closure are outlined in Section 12.3.5 in Appendix A of the Vermont Water Supply Rule - Chapter 21.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me or Mike Young at the phone number or address identified above.

The SMS appreciates your cooperation in this manner.

Sincerely,



George Desch, Chief
Sites Management Section

cc: Joel Behrsing, Johnson Company
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