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AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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MR LEE MERRILL
BARROWS COAL COMPANY
35 MAIN STREET
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RE: Site Management Activities Completed, Sweet Briar County Store (SMS site #1991-1042)

Dear Mr. Merrill:

Based on the DB Environmental Consulting October 27, 2008 Monitoring Well Closure Report, the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Sites Management Section (SMS) has determined that the Sweet Briar Country Store site is now eligible for a Sites Management Activities Complete (SMAC) designation.

This means that the SMS has determined the following:

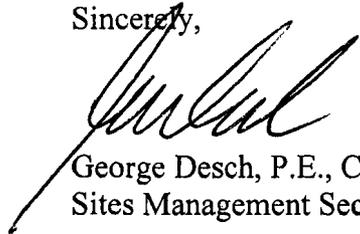
- The source of the petroleum contamination (the leaking underground storage tanks) were removed or repaired;
- Groundwater under this site currently meets Vermont Groundwater Enforcement Standards;
- The site does not present a current threat to human health or the environment.

Based on these findings, the site has been assigned a Site Management Activities Completed (SMAC) designation. Sites which the Waste Management Division has determined require no further management are classified as SMAC. This designation does not release the Barrows Coal Company from any past or future liability which may arise from any contamination which may be present at the site. It does mean that the SMS is not requiring any additional work be performed at this site in response to the contamination discovered in 1991. If any additional information comes to light in the future, then the SMS may reconsider this determination.



If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact Richard Spiese or me at (802) 241-3888.

Sincerely,



George Desch, P.E., Chief
Sites Management Section

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Cc: David Balk, DB Env.