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Mr. Carl Ruprecht
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RE: Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC) for South Main Street Grocery
St. Albans, Vermont \ SMS Site #1991-1075

Dear Mr. Ruprecht:

The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Sites Management Section (SMS) has received Lincoln Applied Geology's (LAG) "Annual Site Status Report" dated June 21, 2005, summarizing the findings of the recent site monitoring activities. Based on the findings, LAG is recommending a Site Management Activity Completed. Based on the historic file information and this report, the SMS concludes the following:

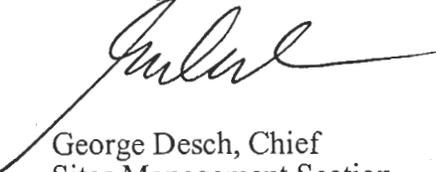
- South Main Street Grocery is located at 139 South Main Street in St. Albans City. Since 1983, this property has operated as a convenience store and gasoline station. Prior to 1983, this property operated as a used car dealership/repair shop. The property is serviced by the municipal sewer and water.
- The South Main Street Grocery was listed on the Vermont Active Sites List in 1991, as Site #911075, following the detection of petroleum contamination during the removal of a 1,000 gallon diesel underground storage tanks (USTs). A 1,200 gallon abandoned UST containing waste oil was also discovered that was possibly used by the former car repair shop. In 1995, three additional USTs were removed all containing gasoline. Subsurface contamination was encountered.
- Since 1991, routine site monitoring has been conducted by LAG. This work has revealed limited petroleum contamination in certain areas on the property. Current water quality samples collected from the onsite monitoring wells reveals no contaminants above standards. There is no evidence of offsite migration.
- The onsite monitoring wells have been properly closed to eliminate a possible conduit for contamination to reach the aquifer.

- A receptor survey indicates that no apparent threat to identified receptors exists due to any residual contamination that may remain. Sediment and water quality samples have been collected from Grice Brook and reveal no impacts.
- The property has been evaluated with respect to the contamination originally discovered during the 1991 and 1995 tank removal work.

Based on the above, the SMS is assigning this site a Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC) designation. This SMAC designation does not release the owners/operators of the South Main Street Grocery property of any past or future liability associated with any residual contamination remaining in the ground from the former USTs. It does, however, mean that the SMS is not requesting any additional work at this time. Any additional information, which may come to light in the future, may be cause for reconsideration of this decision.

If you have any questions, then please feel free to contact Linda Elliott or myself at 802-241-3888.

Sincerely,



George Desch, Chief
Sites Management Section

c: John Kelliher, LAG
St. Albans City Clerk
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