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ATTN WARREN COLE  
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RE: Site Management Activity Completed - Mount Holly Town Garage Site (#93-1433)

Dear Mr. Cole:

The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Sites Management Section (SMS) has reviewed all of the information and data contained in the file of the above referenced site. During the removal of the tanks, petroleum contaminated soil was found and backfilled based on the need to perform additional work. A site assessment was performed and routine groundwater monitoring was undertaken. Based on the current conditions at this site, the SMS has determined that the site is now eligible for a SMAC (Site Management Activity Completed) designation. This means that the SMS has determined the following:

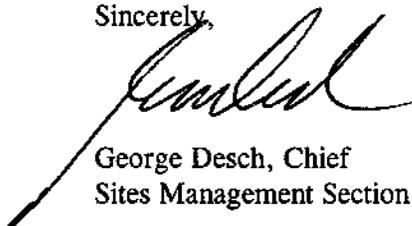
- the 1,000 gallon gasoline and diesel USTs have been removed from the ground, and are no longer a continuing source of petroleum contamination at this site;
- groundwater was monitored for three years following the site assessment and petroleum contaminant concentrations have decreased to levels below the Vermont Groundwater Enforcement Standards;
- all petroleum contaminated soil was backfilled based on the need to perform more work. This impact has been mitigated through natural processes based on the results of the routine groundwater monitoring noted above; and
- any residual contamination does not pose an unacceptable risk to human health or the environment.

Based on these findings, the SMS has determined that site management activities have been completed. The completion of these activities does not release the Town of Mount Holly of any past or future liability which may arise from the petroleum contamination discovered to have originated from the USTs at the Mount Holly Town Garage Site. It does mean that the SMS is not requiring any additional work be performed in response to the contamination discovered at this site.

If the monitoring wells are no longer in use or maintained, they must be closed to eliminate a possible conduit for residual contamination migration into the subsurface. Closure typically involves filling the wells with a grout material to prevent migration into the borehole. Also, the road box or well guard must be removed before closure is considered complete. Specific requirements for well closure are outlined in Section 12.3.5 in Appendix A of the Vermont Water Supply Rule - Chapter 21. A copy of Vermont Water Supply Rule may be obtained from the DEC, Water Supply Division.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact either me or Tim Cropley at (802)241-3888.

Sincerely,



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