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RE: Site Management Activity Completed, J&A Auto Repair, Bakersfield, Vermont  
(Site #94-1728)

Dear Mr. Ruprecht:

The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Sites Management Section (SMS) has reviewed the Hoffer & Associates "*Groundwater Monitoring Results*" report dated November 15, 1996, for the above referenced site. This report provides the analytical results for groundwater samples collected from five (5) monitoring wells. Methyl tertiary butyl ether was detected in four of the samples, but at concentrations well below the Vermont Health Advisory for this compound. This was the second consecutive round of sampling where neither a Vermont Health Advisory nor a Vermont Groundwater Enforcement Standard was exceeded.

The subsurface investigative work was initiated after soil contamination was discovered during the removal of four gasoline underground storage tanks (USTs) in November 1994; no replacement tanks were installed. All petroleum contaminated soil was backfilled, since the full extent of contamination was unknown. The area where the tanks were removed has been covered with asphalt pavement. Based on the current conditions at this site, the SMS has determined that this site is now eligible for a SMAC (Site Management Activity Completed) designation. This means that the SMS has determined the following:

- the gasoline USTs have been removed from the ground, and are no longer a continuing source of petroleum contamination at this site;
- groundwater contamination was limited to the immediate vicinity of the former tank pit, and dissolved petroleum compounds are no longer present at concentrations above state groundwater standards;
- any remaining petroleum contaminated soil has been isolated from human contact by the asphalt pavement; 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 S.B. Collins, Inc. of any past or future liability which may arise from the petroleum contamination discovered to have originated from gasoline USTs at the J&A Auto Repair 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 you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact either me or Matt Moran at (802)-241-3888.

Sincerely,



George Desch, Chief  
Sites Management Section

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