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SUZANNE MASLAND  
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RE: Site Management Activity Completed, Masland Property, SMS Site #96-1945  
Newport, Vermont

Dear Ms. Masland:

The Sites Management Section (SMS) has reviewed the site monitoring reports prepared by the Johnson Company, Inc. for work conducted at the above referenced site. The SMS has also reviewed information contained in the site file. With this information, the SMS can now make the following conclusions:

In January of 1996 petroleum releases were detected from in the vicinity of a 275 gallon heating oil tank that serviced the property. Petroleum odors were detected in the water supply that services the property. Laboratory analysis of water samples confirmed the presence of petroleum contaminants. A water treatment system was installed.

In September of 1996 the tank was removed and petroleum contaminated soils in the vicinity of the tank were excavated and stockpiled on site.

For a period following the tank removal, petroleum odors were occasionally in the water prior to treatment indicating that the initial soil removal was not entirely adequate to resolve the contamination problem.

In August of 1999 additional petroleum contaminated soils were excavated from the vicinity of the former UST and were shipped offsite to the ESMI facility in Fort Edward New York.

A clay layer was placed over bedrock in the vicinity where the contaminated soils were removed to decrease the likelihood that residual contaminants could impact the water supply well.

The on site well was cleaned by pressure washing with biodegradable detergents.

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Subsequent samples of the on site well and neighboring wells were negative for petroleum contaminants.

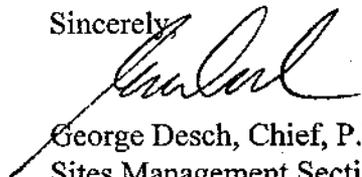
The contaminated soils removed in 1996 were shown to meet standards and were spread on site in accordance with Agency Guidelines for Petroleum Contaminated Soils. .

No unacceptable risk to human health and the environment is expected due to any residual contamination that may remain.

Based on the above, the SMS is assigning this site a Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC) designation. This SMAC designation does not release Suzanne Masland of any past or future liability associated with the petroleum contamination onsite. It does, however, mean that the SMS is not requesting any additional work in response to the 1996 UST release at this site.

Please feel free to call with any questions.

Sincerely,



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Sites Management Section

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