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ATTN TONY CAIRNS
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RE: Site Management Activity Completed - Bove Mart Site (#96-2004) - Rutland, Vermont

Dear Mr. Cairns:

The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Sites Management Section (SMS) has reviewed the most recent summary report of activities performed by Griffin International at the above referenced site during its June 16, 1999, site visit.

During the site visit, six soil samples from the 4 cubic yard soil stockpile were screened with a photoionization detector (PID) for volatile organic compounds (VOCs). The highest reading measured was 0.4 parts per million (ppm) and there was no visual or olfactory evidence of petroleum contamination in the samples. Based on these findings, Griffin recommended that no additional site activities be performed at the site. The SMS concurs with these findings and recommends that the soil be thinspread on site as per the document "Agency Guidelines for Petroleum Contaminated Soil and Debris."

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 piping associated with the site USTs has been upgraded and it appears that the cause of the release was associated with spills from fuel dispensing;
- groundwater was not encountered during the assessment, however, the extent of the petroleum contamination was defined and was limited to the soil in that area;
- all petroleum contaminated soil was removed and successfully treated onsite using the polyencapsulation treatment option; 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 Champlain Oil Company, Inc. of any past or future liability which may arise from the petroleum contamination discovered to have originated from this release at the Bove Mart 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 Tim Cropley at (802)241-3888.

Sincerely,



George Desch, Chief
Sites Management Section

cc: Robert Higgins, Griffin International
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