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MR BILL TRONSEN
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RE: **Site Management Activity Completed**, Bennington College, Route 67A, Bennington, Vermont
(site #96-2067)

Dear Mr. Tronsen:

The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Sites Management Section (SMS) has received the June 9, 2004 letter from Peter Dufault of Heindel and Noyes concerning the request for a **Sites Management Activities Complete (SMAC)** designation. After reviewing the information in this letter, the status of the site, and SMS procedures, the SMS has decided that this site meets SMAC conditions.

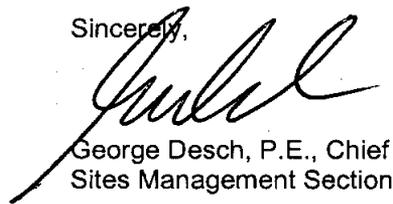
This means that the SMS has determined the following:

- the source of the petroleum contamination was removed in 1996;
- the petroleum contaminated soils which were stockpiled have been adequately treated and subsequently thin spread on site;
- Groundwater Enforcement Standards have been met in all of the monitoring wells on site. These wells have subsequently been closed;
- the site does not pose an unreasonable risk to human health or the environment.

Based on these findings, the site has been assigned a **Site Management Activities Completed (SMAC)** designation. Sites which the Waste Management Division has determined require no further management are classified as SMAC. This designation does not release Bennington College from any past or future liability which may arise from any contamination which may be present at this site. It does mean that the SMS is not requiring any additional work be performed at this site in response to the contamination discovered in 1996. If any additional information comes to light in the future, then the SMS may reconsider this determination.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact Richard Spiese or me at (802) 241-3888.

Sincerely,



George Desch, P.E., Chief
Sites Management Section

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Cc: Peter Dufault, H&N