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RE: Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC), 12 Lake Street, Swanton, Vermont
(Site #97-2131)

Dear Ms. Randall:

The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Sites Management Section (SMS) has had the opportunity to respond to the Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC) designation request contained in the December 1998, Griffin International, Inc. "*Investigation of Suspected Subsurface Contamination*" report that was prepared for the above referenced site. Based on a review of this report and the site file, the SMS has determined that this site meets the SMS's policy for SMAC designations.

This means that the SMS has concluded the following:

- the 200 gallon fuel oil release, from the removal of the furnace without shutting off the fuel line, was mitigated by the removal of 28 tons of contaminated soil that was recycled by asphalt batching at MTS in New Hampshire;
- the installation of four groundwater monitoring wells yielded no evidence of groundwater contamination;
- the indoor air space in the basement and first floor contained no evidence of petroleum vapors by olfactory or photoionization detector screening following the soil removal and air filtration;
- the subject property and surrounding area are served by municipal water supplies; and
- the site does not pose an unreasonable risk to human health or the environment.

Based on these findings, the site has been assigned a SMAC designation. Sites that the SMS has deemed require no further management are classified as SMAC. This designation does not release the New England Federal Credit Union from any past or future liability that may arise from the petroleum contamination which originated from the above ground storage tank system at this site. It does mean that

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the SMS is not requiring any additional work be performed at this site in response to the release observed in March 1997. If any additional information comes to light in the future, then the SMS may reconsider this determination.

If the monitoring wells are no longer used or maintained, then they must be properly closed to eliminate a possible conduit for contaminant migration into the subsurface. This closure typically involves filling the wells with a grout material to prevent fluid migration in the borehole. Specific requirements for well closure are outlined in Section 12.3.5 in Appendix A of the Vermont Water Supply Rule-Chapter 21. Also, the road box or stand-up well guard for a monitoring well must be removed before well closure is considered complete. Please have your consultant submit a plan for the monitoring wells within 15 days of your receipt of this letter.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact Matthew Moran or me at 802-241-3888.

Sincerely,



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