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Reginald Blaise  
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RE: Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC) at Blaises's Country Store, Hinesburg  
SMS Site #972199

Dear Mr. Blaise:

The Sites Management Section (SMS) has reviewed Griffin International's *Annual Sampling Report*, dated December 27, 1999, which summarizes the ongoing site monitoring activities at Blaises Country Store. Griffin International is requesting a 'Site Management Activity Designation' (SMAC) for this site. Based on historical information and the information provided in this report, the SMS makes the following conclusions:

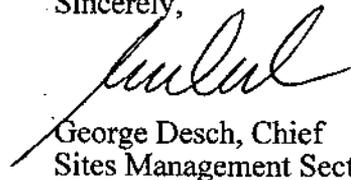
- In 1997, four underground storage tanks (USTs) storing petroleum products were closed and removed from the property, and one UST was closed in-place. Approximately 20 cubic yards of contaminated soils were excavated and stockpiled onsite. Additional work was requested to determine the degree and extent of contamination.
- Between 1997-1999, several rounds of water quality samples have been collected from onsite monitoring wells to determine the presence of petroleum compounds. The most recent rounds of water quality sampling reveal that groundwater enforcement standards are met on the property. Free product has never been detected onsite.
- In 1998, screening of the soil pile with a PID revealed non-detect (< 1 ppm) readings and were approved to be thin-spread onsite.
- The property has been evaluated with respect to petroleum contamination from the former USTs, and does not pose an unacceptable threat to human health and the environment.

Based on the above, the SMS is assigning this site a Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC) designation. This designation means that based on the information you have submitted, the SMS is not aware of any threat to human health or the environment presented at this site. In making this determination, the SMS is not certifying that the property is free of contamination that may have occurred or may still be present due to other activities on the site that have not been evaluated or identified. This designation means that based on the information you have submitted and the actions you have taken, the SMS has determined that you do not need to perform any additional remedial or investigative work on this site. Any additional information which may come to light in the future may be cause for reconsideration of this decision.

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 in the well 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.

If you have any questions, then please feel free to contact Linda Elliott or myself.

Sincerely,



George Desch, Chief  
Sites Management Section

c: Beth Stopford, Griffin

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