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Mr. Robert Harnish
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RE: Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC) designation for the Cortina Inn in Mendon (Site #97-2326)

Dear Mr. Harnish:

The Sites Management Section (SMS) has received confirmation that a notice to the Cortina Inn land record has been placed indicating that there is residual groundwater and soil contamination at the above referenced site. Based on this information, the SMS has determined the site to be eligible for a Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC) designation.

This determination was based on the following information:

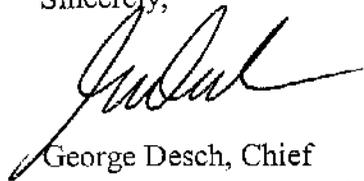
- The likely source of groundwater contamination were the two underground storage tanks (USTs) containing fuel oil, which were closed in place in December 1997 and August, 1998.
- Four monitoring wells were installed onsite. Groundwater does not contain petroleum contaminants in excess of Vermont Groundwater Enforcement Standards (VTGWES) with the exception of MW-1.
- The onsite drinking water supply was sampled and found to be free of any evidence of petroleum compounds.
- A notice to the land record was placed on October 1, 1998 indicating that residual soil and groundwater contamination is present in the area of the former 2,000 gallon fuel oil UST which was closed in place in December, 1997.
- The four groundwater monitoring wells are scheduled to be closed by Griffin International, Inc. on or before December 24, 2002 as stated in a letter dated December 11, 2002 to Mr. Bob Harnish of the Cortina Inn from Alan Liptak of Griffin International, Inc. Cortina Inn has committed to have this work completed as stated in a letter dated December 11, 2002 from Elizabeth A. Glynn, Esq, who represents Cortina Inn.

- Little to no risk is posed to sensitive receptors in the area from residual contamination which is present at the site.

Based on the results of the investigation, the site has been assigned a Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC) designation. Sites which the Waste Management Division have determined require no further management are given a SMAC designation. The designation does not release the Cortina Inn from any past or future liability which may arise from the petroleum contamination which originated from the former USTs at the property. The SMAC designation does mean that the SMS isn't requiring any additional work be performed at this site in response to the initial contamination.

Please feel free to call either me or Chuck Schwer if you have any questions regarding the above.

Sincerely,



George Desch, Chief
Sites Management Section

c: Elizabeth A. Glynn, Ryan Smith & Carbine, Ltd.
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