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MR ANDY LORD
GRANITE IMPORTERS
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RE: Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC), Granite Importers, Barre (Site #98-2454)

Dear Mr. Lord:

The Sites Management Section (SMS) has received the underground storage tank (UST) closure reports submitted on August 19, 1998 conducted at the Granite Importers property by Griffin Int. and Secor Int. Inc.

With this information, the SMS can now make the following conclusions:

- The site was evaluated with respect to potential contamination from the on site underground storage tanks.
- On August 13, 1998 Griffin Int. conducted a subsurface investigation as part of a change of use evaluation for the 6,900 gallon diesel UST. Seven soil borings were advanced in the direct vicinity of the tank. Only one boring (SB-1) was advanced to a depth below the bottom of the tank. No contamination was detected in this boring. Since this boring was located downgradient of the UST it provided evidence that there was not a release of petroleum from this tank.
- On July 22, 1998 a 5,500 gallon gasoline UST was removed from the ground. Secor Int. Inc. conducted an assessment of the area below the UST. Soils surrounding the fill pipe and the northern end of the excavation were found to be contaminated with petroleum compounds at concentrations of 3-9 ppm and 21 to 49 ppm, respectively.
- To ascertain the degree and extent of this contamination, five soil samples were collected, one from each sidewall of the excavation and one from the bottom, and were analyzed for total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) and volatile organic compounds (VOCs). No VOCs were detected in the samples and low concentrations of TPH, 2,3 to 6.8 ppm, were found in the soils. The TPH concentrations were well below the 1,000 ppm guideline level used by the SMS for industrial areas.

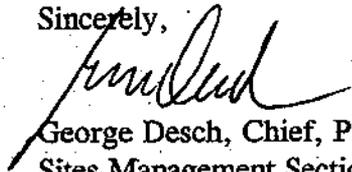
- The area surrounding the site is primarily industrial and commercial and is supplied by a municipal water system.
- No unacceptable risk to human health and the environment is present due to any residual contamination remaining in the ground from the removed USTs.

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 by your site. In making this determination, the SMS is not certifying that your 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 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.

Please feel free to call with any questions.

Sincerely,



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

CC: Barre Selectboard
DEC Regional Office