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Mr. John Ohaus
Hartford School District
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RE: Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC) designation for the Hartford School Bus Garage
(Site #98-2477)

Dear Mr. Ohaus:

The Sites Management Section (SMS) has reviewed your April 16, 1999 letter and accompanying *Site Status Report* dated April 13, 1999 by KD Associates, Inc. regarding additional sampling at the above referenced site. Based on the information presented, the SMS has determined that the site is eligible for a Site Management Activity Completed (SMAC) designation.

This determination was based on the following:

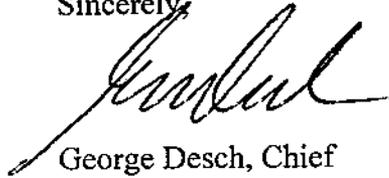
- The likely source of the contamination was the 5,000 gallon gasoline underground storage tank (UST) which was removed on August 17, 1998.
- The approximately 150 cubic yards of petroleum contaminated soil which was excavated during the tank pull was transported to the Environmental Soil Management Treatment and Recycling facility in Loudon, New Hampshire.
- Groundwater does not contain petroleum contaminants in excess of Vermont Groundwater Enforcement Standards, as indicated by analytical results from the four onsite monitoring wells.
- Little to no risk is posed to any sensitive receptors in the area from residual soil or groundwater contamination which may remain in the subsurface 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 Hartford School District from any past or future liability which may arise from the petroleum contamination which originated from the former underground storage tank. 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.

If the four 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. The SMS considers reasonable costs to properly close monitoring wells at this site reimbursable by the Petroleum Cleanup Fund (PCF) if uninsured and eligible costs for cleanup at the site exceed the \$10,000 deductible.

Please feel free to call if you have any questions or comments regarding the above.

Sincerely,



George Desch, Chief
Sites Management Section

c: Bryan Schultz, KD Associates, Inc.
White River Junction Selectboard
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