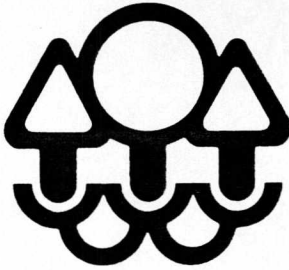


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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

December 1, 1988

Mr. Paul Taylor, Coordinator
Environmental Services
Kayo Oil Company
P. O. Box 4784
Houston, Texas 77210-4784

Dear Mr. Taylor:

RE: Petroleum Contamination
Site: Former Conoco Station, 1126 South Robert Street, West St. Paul

As we discussed in our telephone conversation of November 28, 1988, a property transfer investigation detected high petroleum contamination at the above-referenced site (see enclosed reports).

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) staff interviews and information supplied by former owners of the site indicate that:

1. The site was purchased from Conoco Oil on March 8, 1983.
2. All underground storage tanks were removed by Conoco before the purchase.

Due to the petroleum contamination noted at the site and since Conoco appears to be the responsible party, the MPCA is asking you to perform an investigation and necessary corrective action at this site. If you conclude now or at any point during your investigation that Conoco is not a responsible party as defined under the Minnesota Petroleum Release Cleanup Act (Minn. Stat. ch. 115C (1987)), please provide information indicating how you came to this conclusion and who is responsible for the petroleum contamination.

If Conoco is a responsible party for the petroleum contamination, a written response with your commitment to proceed with an investigation and corrective action is required within 30 days after receipt of this letter.

The MPCA has funds and authorities to perform investigations and cleanups if the persons responsible for the release fail to act. The costs of the MPCA investigations are later recovered through legal action against parties found to be

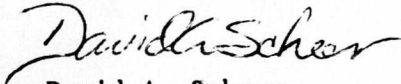
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responsible. In addition to seeking reimbursement of costs, we may also seek civil penalties from uncooperative responsible parties.

The Petroleum Release Cleanup Act established a fund which in certain circumstances provides partial reimbursement to responsible persons for petroleum tank release cleanup costs. The fund is administered by the Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Board (Petro Board). Minn. Stat. ch. 115C (enclosed) describes eligibility requirements. More specific eligibility rules are available from the Petro Board (612/297-3238).

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at 612/296-7975.

Sincerely,



David A. Scheer
Pollution Control Specialist
Tanks and Spills Section
Hazardous Waste Division

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Enclosures

cc: Dianne Latuff, City Clerk, West St. Paul
Richard Krogh, Fire Chief, West St. Paul



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RETURN TO: (AUTHOR) Sue M. Tanks
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