



Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

October 7, 2004

Mr. Jack Curtis
Curtis Oil Company
4997 Miller Trunk Highway
Duluth, MN 55811

RE: Incomplete Petroleum Tank Release Report Notification/Request For Additional Work
Site: Junction Food-N-Fuel, Hermantown, MN
Site ID#: LEAK00003534

Dear Mr. Curtis:

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has received both an "Excavation Report" by Twin Ports Testing (TPT) dated September 20, 2003 and the "Annual Monitoring Report" by Twin Ports Testing dated May 24, 2004. Based on review of these reports, it appears information was omitted and all necessary work requested by the MPCA in their July 22, 2003 letter was not completed. Additional work is also required. Specifically, the MPCA has the following comments and requirements:

1. In the Annual Report, Tables 2 and 3 are NOT comprehensive and cumulative, as required in the MPCA letter dated July 22, 2003, and contain obvious errors and omissions. These items must be adequately addressed and/or submitted in the next report or the report will be rejected.
2. Ground water sampling should continue at the site **quarterly** (not triannual) with analysis for BTEX, MTBE and GRO.
3. Ground water samples from all five nearby water wells, including the on-site well and the well located at 5506 Hwy 94, must be sampled at least annually for VOCs and GRO.
4. The ground water Sample Information Forms need to document exactly where each of the water well samples are collected and indicate if the sample is of raw water from the well (e.g., outside hydrant) or after any type of treatment (e.g., bathroom sink faucet after softening) as well as the amount of time and the volume of water purged from the wells prior to sample collection.
5. Surface water sampling is not approved.

Please submit a complete annual report that includes information requested above to the MPCA by April 30, 2005. Failure to meet this deadline in a timely manner may result in reductions in Petrofund reimbursement or lead to MPCA enforcement actions. Please note the information we are requesting are supported in fact sheets.

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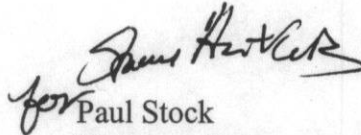
Please further note that because Petrofund rules specify the maximum levels of efforts for completing these tasks, the Petrofund may not support additional reimbursement for providing the MPCA with above requested information if costs associated with completing these tasks will exceed the Petrofund's allotted maximum amount.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Sarah Henderson, project manager, at (651) 296-7824 or Paul Stock, staff hydrogeologist, at (218) 846-0473. If you are calling long distance, you may reach the MPCA by calling 1-800-657-3864.

Sincerely,



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