

Stock, Paul

From: Stock, Paul
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2007 3:50 PM
To: 'Sandra Beck'; Larsen, Sarah
Subject: RE: Junction Food & Fuel (Curtis Oil), Hermantown, Leak #3534

Sandra, as it turns out, I do not have the complete file in my office; some of it must still be in St. Paul. Once I get the rest of the file (older reports), I will make a copy of the maps(s) and send it to you at the below address. Thanks!

Sarah, at your earliest convenience, please send me the rest of the file to me. Apparently, Sandeep did not send me the entire file (I do not have any reports older than 2.19.01) a month or so ago while you were on extended leave. The map I promised Sandra is in the older reports. Please respond to this email letting me when you can get to this. Thank you!

Paul Stock

-----Original Message-----

From: Sandra Beck [mailto:Sandra.Beck@health.state.mn.us]
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2007 9:03 AM
To: Paul Stock
Subject: RE: Junction Food & Fuel (Curtis Oil), Hermantown

Great!

My mailing address is Sandra Beck, Govt Svcs Bldg, Suite 703
320 West Second Street
Duluth, MN 55801

Thanks Paul.

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>>> "Stock, Paul" <Paul.Stock@state.mn.us> 1/17/2007 7:33 AM >>>
Sandra, my fax # is 218.846.0559.

I have a copy of blueprint with surveyed property lines and surveyed old well location shown on it. I would be happy to send a photocopy to you if you give me your mailing address. In addition or alternatively, I could probably fax it to you in sections if you give me your fax number.

Thanks!

Paul Stock

-----Original Message-----

From: Sandra Beck [mailto:Sandra.Beck@state.mn.us]
Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2007 6:43 PM
To: Paul.Stock@state.mn.us
Subject: Junction Food & Fuel (Curtis Oil), Hermantown

Paul,

I'm having difficulty getting any definitive information on:

1) exact well location (generally, i understand well was inside foundation of old restaurant, but i do not know exact location of foundation...as only a very small portion is currently visible). Aerial photographs and/or historical maps may clarify. City of Hermantown doesn't have aerial photos as i once thought.

2) definitive property line: Jean Nelson claims well should fall on Radco property. I'll fax you a copy of map Jean sent me recently if you provide a facsimile number. I don't know for sure if it does or doesn't, but can't proceed w/enforcement until i know where well is located, and who's property it's on.

I wondered if you could enlist consultant/Curtis Oil to conduct Phase I location of foundation of old restaurant bldg, and of property line determination. Or perhaps a Phase I has already been conducted?? How else would this well have been discovered?

Sandy

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From: Stock, Paul
Sent: Monday, February 12, 2007 4:21 PM
To: 'Laura Novitzki'
Cc: Larsen, Sarah
Subject: RE: Junction Food-n-Fuel, Hermantown

Sorry, I have been out of the office for the past 11 days... Detailed workplan for what?

-----Original Message-----

From: Laura Novitzki [mailto:Laura.Novitzki@twinportstesting.com]
Sent: Friday, February 09, 2007 4:32 PM
To: Stock, Paul
Subject: RE: Junction Food-n-Fuel, Hermantown

Regarding Junction Food-n-Fuel (leak #3534), we have received water sample results for the nearby potable well at 4621 Lindahl Road (which was clean) and are almost finished with the Annual Report. We have completed general recommendations based on your 1/26/07 e-mail. I am wondering, however, if you would like a detailed workplan included with the Annual Report or if we can submit a separate and detailed workplan following your review and comments of our general recommendations listed in the Annual Report. Please advise. Thanks.

Laura Novitzki

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-----Original Message-----

From: Stock, Paul [mailto:Paul.Stock@state.mn.us]
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2007 2:49 PM
To: Laura Novitzki
Cc: Larsen, Sarah
Subject: RE: Junction Food-n-Fuel, Hermantown

Thank you for the heads up on this Laura!

Depending on - or, maybe regardless of - what you find in the water well sample(s), you may want to point out the petroleum contamination that is present, i.e., possible source, at the former Texas Rust Free Auto (formerly MISCO) site itself. To be sure, what I am quite concerned about is the fact that the ~60 ft deep former FNF water well was contaminated (resulting in its sealing and replacement), suggesting that a deeper aquifer is contaminated by the FNF release(s) and, noting that a deeper investigation has not been done (in fact, not even a strat boring) at the FNF, have long been concerned about risks to nearby off-site 3rd party water wells. Indeed, this is one of the reasons that I have not approved any of the recommended CADs for this site - I want to make a comprehensive site management decision that takes into account all risks, not just surface water risks.

I hope you have a great weekend! Thanks again!

04/11/07

Paul Stock

-----Original Message-----

From: Laura Novitzki [mailto:Laura.Novitzki@twinportstesting.com]

Sent: Friday, January 26, 2007 11:24 AM

To: Stock, Paul

Subject: Junction Food-n-Fuel, Hermantown

I just wanted to let you know that I am finishing up the Annual Report for Junction Food-n-Fuel (leak #3534). The potable well at 4621 Lindahl Road (formerly Misco) that had a broken pump for so long was recently fixed as you had mentioned. We sampled the well I am waiting for the results to include in the Annual Report before submitting it.

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Stock, Paul

From: Stock, Paul
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2007 11:47 AM
To: Dietz, John
Cc: Larsen, Sarah
Subject: RE:

Thanks for heads up on this. Sending and receipt of PR files and reports should be tracked in TALES Remarks too. Adieu!

-----Original Message-----

From: Dietz, John
Sent: Tuesday, March 06, 2007 11:04 AM
To: Stock, Paul
Cc: Larsen, Sarah
Subject:

We are sending you 2006 annual report for leak 3534. It should go out in todays mail.

Stock, Paul

From: Koplitz, Mark
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2007 3:05 PM
To: Stock, Paul
Subject: RE: Junction Food-n-Fuel, Hermantown

ok

-----Original Message-----

From: Stock, Paul
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2007 3:02 PM
To: Koplitz, Mark
Subject: RE: Junction Food-n-Fuel, Hermantown

Thanks for the quick response Mark! I have no doubt the file is small, but, I would still like to review it. Thanks again!

-----Original Message-----

From: Koplitz, Mark
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2007 2:39 PM
To: Stock, Paul
Subject: RE: Junction Food-n-Fuel, Hermantown

Reports??? The entire file is a couple faxes and an application. It was a realtor doing the work for some voluntary party in Texas.

-----Original Message-----

From: Stock, Paul
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2007 2:37 PM
To: Koplitz, Mark
Subject: FW: Junction Food-n-Fuel, Hermantown

Mark, the PRP has received the AMR for Leak #3534 and I can confirm that it has sampling data for the Texas Rust Free Auto (formerly MISCO) water well. I have the file here in DL pending my review of the AMR. I will send the new data to you soon but first I want to look at the file for your PBP project. I want to evaluate the data in your file relative to what's going on at Junction Food-n-Fuel. More specifically, I want to review the laboratory analytical report for the sample from that water well and integrate that data for purposes of making site management decision about Leak #3534. However, I want to look at the entire file, not just the well sample lab report.

Please send me the entire PBP file (correspondence file and all reports) via interoffice mail and I will review it immediately and send it back to you along with a copy of any sampling information, including lab reports, for additional sampling of that well more recently done completed by TPT. Please let me know when you send it so I can be prepared to deal with it. Thank you!

Paul Stock

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From: Stock, Paul
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2007 2:34 PM
To: Koplitz, Mark

04/11/07

Subject: FW: Junction Food-n-Fuel, Hermantown

Mark, data on former Texas Rust Free Auto water well sampling is forthcoming. I will make sure you get it.

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Stock, Paul

From: Stock, Paul
Sent: Friday, March 23, 2007 1:08 PM
To: 'Sandra Beck'
Subject: RE: Junction Food & Fuel (Curtis Oil), Hermantown, Leak #3534

Sandra, the first time I tried to send the below emails to you, my email system notified me that it was undeliverable? Therefore I am trying to send it again using a slightly different version of your email address. Hopefully it gets through. Have a great weekend!

Paul Stock

-----Original Message-----

From: Stock, Paul
Sent: Friday, March 23, 2007 11:47 AM
To: 'Sandra.Beck@state.mn.us'
Cc: Larsen, Sarah
Subject: FW: Leak Site #3534, Junction Food-n-Fuel well update, Hermantown, MN

Sandra, interesting? I could see from your perspective that timing may be important, i.e., when did Nelson improperly seal the well? Also, by now you should have received a hard copy of the survey map showing the location of this abandoned well.

Sarah, please print for Leak Site file.

Thanks!

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From: Laura Novitzki [mailto:Laura.Novitzki@twinportstesting.com]
Sent: Friday, March 23, 2007 12:00 PM
To: Stock, Paul
Subject: Junction Food-n-Fuel well update

Paul,

I wanted to give you an update on the unused, upgradient well on the corner of Hwy 53 and Lindahl Road (on the western roadway easement next to the Curtis Oil property).

After talking to Jack Curtis further about this well, he informed me that this shallow, hand-dug well (dug prior to 1964) was improperly abandoned by Eugene Nelson (the current property owner). Although Jack and Twin Ports Testing would like to see this well re-abandoned properly as it currently serves as a potential conduit to the deeper aquifer zone, Jack does not feel that it is his responsibility. Because Jack foresees potential difficulties getting the property owner to properly re-abandon the well, we are hoping that the MPCA and/or MDH can formally request that he do so. Please let me know if you have any questions or need any additional information. Thanks.

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Stock, Paul

From: Stock, Paul
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2007 10:22 AM
To: 'Laura Novitzki'
Cc: Larsen, Sarah
Subject: RE: Junction Food-n-Fuel well update

Laura, thanks for the information! The MPCA has notified the MDH, who has some authority over well owners, about this situation and I know that Sandra Beck (MDH-Duluth) is looking into it. Please keep in mind that the MPCA has limited authority over the well owner. We do, however, have some authority over the RP. If relative to the RPs contamination, this well presents risks that are not addressed by the well owner and MDH, the MPCA will likely have to consider our options for reducing risk. I hasten to add that costs for work required by the MPCA should be eligible for 90% Petrofund reimbursement. Notwithstanding MPCA concerns, at this time, I am willing to wait and see what the MDH does. However, I would like to see this situation addressed expeditiously.

Thanks again!

Paul Stock

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Stock, Paul

From: Sandra Beck [Sandra.Beck@state.mn.us]
Sent: Monday, April 02, 2007 3:17 PM
To: Mark Malmanger
Cc: Paul.Stock@state.mn.us
Subject: Junction Food & Fuel

good news. Laura from Twin Ports Testing called on another issue today. I asked her whether she could recall location of former dug well. She said with certainty she could and she plans to be up there tomorrow. I'll mark it w/a stake and GPS it...& ask her to provide a signed statement. Sandy

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From: Stock, Paul
Sent: Monday, April 09, 2007 8:53 AM
To: 'Laura Novitzki'
Subject: RE: Arthur Usan, (f.k.a. Junction Food & Fuel), Hwy 53, Hermantown

Thanks for the update Laura!

-----Original Message-----

From: Laura Novitzki [mailto:Laura.Novitzki@twinportstesting.com]
Sent: Monday, April 09, 2007 9:49 AM
To: Stock, Paul; Larsen, Sarah
Subject: RE: Arthur Usan, (f.k.a. Junction Food & Fuel), Hwy 53, Hermantown

Paul,

Thanks for forwarding the e-mail from Sandra Beck. "Jean" Nelson is just the shortened (and misspelled) version of Eugene Nelson.

The location of the well actually has been shown on all site maps included with our submitted reports. It looks like it has been unlabeled (which I will change), and shown as a bold circle on the corner of Hwy 53 and Lindahl Rd.

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From: Stock, Paul [mailto:Paul.Stock@state.mn.us]
Sent: Monday, April 09, 2007 7:42 AM
To: Larsen, Sarah
Cc: Laura Novitzki
Subject: FW: Arthur Usan, (f.k.a. Junction Food & Fuel), Hwy 53, Hermantown

Sarah and Laura, FYI regarding Leak #3534. I do not know who Jean Nelson is? Maybe Eugene's wife or other relative?

Laura, please make sure you show the location of this well on TPT's future site maps.

-----Original Message-----

From: Sandra Beck [mailto:Sandra.Beck@state.mn.us]
Sent: Friday, April 06, 2007 4:25 PM
To: Paul.Stock@state.mn.us
Subject: Arthur Usan, (f.k.a. Junction Food & Fuel), Hwy 53, Hermantown

Paul,
Laura & I met @ Cafe Late today with her coworker Jason. They showed me the location of the well. It lies beneath a pick-up topper underneath the RADCO sign. Grass grown up previously likely obfuscated it. Also, Eugene Nelson showed me a location quite a bit east of actual location.

I drafted a letter today to Arthur Usan, owner of RADCO property & sent it off to my sup. for review. Hopefully...letter go out w/in the month.

Please relay info. to Laura. I was able to get property line clarification from St.Louis

Co. Surveyor's office. Bruce there was Very helpful.

The 1964 Survey is not entirely correct. Looks like Jean Nelson's diagram may be closer to truth.

Sandy

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Stock, Paul

From: Stock, Paul
Sent: Thursday, November 16, 2006 2:29 PM
To: Koplitz, Mark
Cc: Mustonen, Kevin
Subject: RE: Junction F-N-F site (Leak # 3534)

Thanks for the update Mark! Since it sounds like the well will be resample, I will want to look at the file once all of the water well sampling results are available. I will look at the file and return it to you promptly. Thanks again!

-----Original Message-----

From: Koplitz, Mark
Sent: Thursday, November 16, 2006 2:13 PM
To: Stock, Paul
Cc: Mustonen, Kevin
Subject: RE: Junction F-N-F site (Leak # 3534)

It is Non-Tank file PB3653 and there isn't much to it. The plan is for me to write up a Deed Notification about the well, sample the well and after all is filed with the county and attached to the Deed, more than likely close the Non-Tank site.

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From: Stock, Paul
Sent: Thursday, November 16, 2006 1:51 PM
To: Koplitz, Mark; Mustonen, Kevin
Subject: RE: Junction F-N-F site (Leak # 3534)

This obliquely regards the nearby PBP (non-tank, Spill?) site you guys are working on...

When you are done with it, I would like to review the PBP file for the Texas Rust Free Auto Parts site so that I can consider that information as I move forward at the adjacent FNF leak site.

Hmmm...long ago I had asked TPT (consultant for #3534) to sample the Texas Rust Free Auto water well. TPT has repeatedly claimed that they couldn't get a hold of the Texas Rust Free Auto Parts owner, so, the claim about the pump being broken is a new one to me.

-----Original Message-----

From: Laura Novitzki [mailto:Laura.Novitzki@twinportstesting.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 16, 2006 10:36 AM
To: Stock, Paul
Cc: Larsen, Sarah
Subject: RE: Junction F-N-F site (Leak # 3534)

I just spoke with Klete Fallowfield at our office who apparently did three shallow hand-auger borings recently at the Texas Rust Free Auto property. Samples were collected in areas where the previous property owner threw metal cuttings onto the ground and Klete recalled the lab results showing a slight detection of DRO. He said the leak was reported and he thought that someone was going to sample the well on the property. As far as I am aware, the pump in the well is broken, and has been for quite some time. I will try contacting the real estate company for more information regarding plans for fixing/sampling this well.

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To: Laura Novitzki
Cc: Larsen, Sarah
Subject: RE: Junction F-N-F site (Leak # 3534)

Laura, apparently there are also some other developments surrounding TPT's sampling of the water well TPT had identified as PW4621 (Texas Rust Free Auto)?

-----Original Message-----

From: Laura Novitzki [mailto:Laura.Novitzki@twinportstesting.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 07, 2006 9:48 AM
To: Stock, Paul; , John Houck
Subject: Junction F-N-F site (Leak # 3534)

Last week, Tim Jefferson from our office was at the former Junction F-N-F site (Leak # 3534) during a sewer line installation. Gene Nelson, whose father previously owned the property, was onsite and mentioned that he thought two UST's that serviced a pump behind the store were still in place. Tim had the backhoe operator dig down two feet in the area where Mr. Nelson thought the tanks were located and indeed hit a tank. Tim said that the soil near the tank looked contaminated. Mr. Nelson said that he would find some old photos that might help us locate the other tank that is assumed to be still buried.

We would like to apply for the Abandoned UST Removal Program and I found the application on the Dept. of Commerce website. Since the tanks are located on a property that has already been designated as a leak site, we are assuming that this will not need to be given a separate leak number.

Please e-mail or call me with any questions or guidance.

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From: Stock, Paul
Sent: Tuesday, November 07, 2006 10:13 AM
To: Larsen, Sarah
Cc: John Houck (Petrofund); Blasing, Nathan
Subject: FW: Junction F-N-F site (Leak # 3534)

Sarah, I do not really know how to respond to this but this appears to be something MPCA's Tanks Program should also look into? I believe the Tank Site # is 5385 and am copying the Duluth Tank staff on this email in case they need to follow-up.

I wonder if a new release (was or) should be called into the MN Duty Officer? I am not sure if a new leak number should be assigned?

I presume John Houck will respond regarding applicability and appropriateness of the DOC's Abandoned Tank Program.

Thanks!

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