



# Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

September 20, 1999

Mr. Gary Woodman  
Avanti Petroleum, Inc.  
3033 East 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue  
Suite 202  
Denver, Colorado 80206

RE. Petroleum Tank Release Site File Closure  
Site: Avanti Store #5304, 640 Highway 7 East, Hutchinson, MN  
Site ID#: LEAK00012008

Dear Mr. Woodman:

We are pleased to let you know that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Remediation Unit staff has determined that your investigation and/or cleanup has adequately addressed the petroleum tank release at the site listed above. Based on the information provided, the Remediation Unit staff has closed the release site file.

Closure of the file means that the Remediation Unit staff does not require any additional investigation and/or cleanup work at this time or in the foreseeable future. Please be aware that file closure does not necessarily mean that all petroleum contamination has been removed from this site. However, the Remediation Unit staff has concluded that any remaining contamination, if present, does not appear to pose a threat to public health or the environment.

The MPCA reserves the right to reopen this file and to require additional investigation and/or cleanup work if new information or changing regulatory requirements make additional work necessary. If you or other parties discover additional contamination (either petroleum or nonpetroleum) that was not previously reported to the MPCA, Minnesota law requires that the MPCA be immediately notified.

You should understand that this letter does not release any party from liability for the petroleum contamination under Minn. Stat. ch. 115C (Supp. 1997) or any other applicable state or federal law. In addition, this letter does not release any party from liability for nonpetroleum contamination, if present, under Minn. Stat. ch. 115B (1996), the Minnesota Superfund Law.

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Because you performed the requested work, the state may reimburse you for a major portion of your costs. The Petroleum Tank Release Cleanup Act establishes a fund which may provide partial reimbursement for petroleum tank release cleanup costs. This fund is administered by the Department of Commerce Petro Board. Specific eligibility rules are available from the Petro Board at (651) 297-1119 or (651) 297-4203.

If future development of this property or the surrounding area is planned, it should be assumed that petroleum contamination may still be present. If petroleum contamination is encountered during future development work, the MPCA staff should be notified immediately.

For specific information regarding petroleum contamination that may remain at this leak site, please call the Remediation Unit File Request Program at (651) 297-8587. The MPCA fact sheet #3.35 *Leak/Spill and Underground Storage Tank File Request Form* (August 1997) must be completed prior to arranging a time for file review.

Thank you for your response to this petroleum tank release and for your cooperation with the MPCA to protect public health and the environment. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please call us at (507) 280-2995 or (800) 657-3864.

Sincerely,



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Remediation Unit  
South District

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cc: Gary D. Plotz, City Administrator, Hutchinson  
Brad Emans, Fire Chief, Hutchinson  
Edwin Homan, McLeod County Solid Waste Officer  
Mr. Paul Wiese, Terracon, White Bear Lake  
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