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July 28, 1989

Mr. Gerry Scott Hallock School District Box 670 Hallock, Minnesota 56728

Dear Mr. Scott:

RE: Petroleum Storage Tank Release Investigation and Corrective Action

Site: Hallock High School, Hallock, Minnesota

Site ID#: LEAK00001318

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has received your notification that a release of petroleum has occurred from storage tank facilities which you own and/or operate. The first report of the release was made to MPCA staff on July 18, 1989.

Federal and state laws require that persons legally responsible for storage tank releases notify the MPCA of the release, investigate the extent of the release and take actions needed to ensure that the release is cleaned up. A person is generally considered legally responsible for a tank release if the person owned or operated the tank either during or after the release.

The MPCA staff is requesting you to take the necessary steps to investigate and clean up the release in accordance with the enclosed "Petroleum Tank Release Investigation Report." To do this it is recommended that a qualified consulting firm be hired who has experience in conducting petroleum release site investigations and corrective actions.

If you do perform 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 in certain circumstances provides partial reimbursement for petroleum tank release cleanup costs. This fund is administered by the Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Board (Petro Board). More specific eligibility rules are available from the Petro Board (612/297-3238).

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Please respond to this letter either in writing or by telephone within 30 days after receipt of this letter. Your response should indicate whether or not you intend to proceed with the necessary corrective action, whom you have chosen to do the work and a schedule for implementation.

If you do not respond within 30 days, MPCA staff will assume you do not intend to comply with this request. In this event, the MPCA Commissioner may order you to take corrective action. If not complied with, the Commissioner's order could be enforced in court or, alternatively, the MPCA could spend its own money cleaning up the release and then seek to recover its costs from responsible persons through legal action. Failure to cooperate with the MPCA in a timely manner may also result in reduced reimbursement from the Petro Board.

If you conclude that the release in question is not from any tank which you have owned or operated, please notify the MPCA immediately and explain the basis of your conclusion. In addition, please notify me within 24 hours of discovery of free floating petroleum product on the surface of the ground water, and notify me three days before removing any tanks.

Please feel free to contact me at any time you need information or assistance in these matters. My telephone number is 612/296-7322.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kenneth C. LeVoir

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