

## Department of Environmental Conservation

DIVISION OF SPILL PREVENTION & RESPONSE Contaminated Sites Program

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Charles W. Totemoff President & CEO Chenega Corporation 3000 C Street, Suite 301 Anchorage, Alaska 99503

Re: Verification of Institutional Control Compliance at Chenega Bay Saltery

Dear Mr. Totemoff:

The Contaminated Sites Program is conducting an audit of contaminated sites closed with conditions (Institutional Controls) to verify that closure stipulations such as periodic monitoring and reporting are being performed by the responsible party of record as required under state law (18 AAC 75.375).

In 2008 the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) granted a Record of Decision (ROD) for the Chenega Bay Saltery site that included conditions requiring that site status and any changes in land use be reported to ADEC on a five year basis. The ROD detailing the institutional controls that are in effect for this property is enclosed.

## Requested Documentation

In order to ensure that conditions at the site are protective of human health, welfare and the environment, DEC requests that you answer the following questions:

- Has the nature of the current land use of the Chenega Bay Saltery property changed since this site was closed to further remediation in 2008?
- Has soil or groundwater been transported off site since 2008?
- Have any groundwater wells been installed on the Chenega Bay Saltery property since 2008?
- Has residual contaminated soil been placed in surface water or other environmentally sensitive areas since 2008?

In addition to the requirement that site conditions remain the same, please be advised that the following Institutional Controls as established in the 2008 ROD continue to apply:

- ADEC approval is required prior to off site transport of soil or groundwater in accordance with 18 AAC 75.370 (b).
- Groundwater wells shall not be installed on this property without prior approval from ADEC.
- Soil containing residual contamination may not be placed in surface water or other environmentally sensitive areas.
- Site status and any changes in land use must be reported to ADEC on a five year basis. However, ADEC must be notified immediately if a land transfer occurs during this five year period.

Please provide the requested information either by hard copy letter or email no later than <u>August 9</u>, <u>2013</u>. If you have any questions about these requirements, please do not hesitate to contact me at (907) 465-5229 or <u>evonne.reese@alaska.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Evonne Reese

Environmental Program Specialist

Institutional Control Unit

Encl: 2008 Record of Decision