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Wrangell Oil, Inc.
Attn: William Privett
PO Box 776
Wrangell, Alaska 99929

Re: Verification of Institutional Control Compliance at Wrangell Oil Bulk Fuel Facility

Dear Mr. Privett:

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 2013 the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) granted a Decision Document: Cleanup Complete Determination – Institutional Controls for the Wrangell Oil Bulk Fuel Facility site that included conditions requiring the decommissioning of all groundwater monitoring wells in accordance with ADEC guidance and a written report to document the decommissioning be submitted to ADEC by August 1, 2014. Current records indicate we have not received any reports documenting the well decommissioning. The Decision Document 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 provide the following:

- Nature of the current land use of the Wrangell Oil Bulk Fuel Facility property.
- A written report documenting the well decommissioning at the referenced property. If the groundwater monitoring wells have not yet been decommissioned, please make arrangements to have decommissioning performed **as soon as possible.**

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In addition to the requirement that all groundwater monitoring wells be decommissioned, please be advised that the following Institutional Controls as established in the 2013 Decision Document continue to apply:

- Any future change in land use may impact the exposure assumptions cited in the Decision Document. If land use and/or ownership changes, these management conditions may not be protective and ADEC may require additional remediation and revised conditions. Therefore Wrangell Oil, Inc. shall report to ADEC every 5 years to document land use, or report as soon as Wrangell Oil, Inc. becomes aware of any change in land ownership and/or use, if earlier. The report can be sent to the local ADEC office or electronically to DEC.ICUnit@alaska.gov.
- Sub-surface soil contamination is located near the shop building. When the building is removed and/or the soil becomes accessible, the soil must be evaluated and contamination addressed in accordance with an ADEC approved work plan.
- Any proposal to transport soil or groundwater off-site requires ADEC approval in accordance with 18 AAC 78.600(h). A "site" [as defined by 18 AAC 75.990 (115)] means an area that is contaminated, including areas contaminated by the migration of hazardous substances from a source area, regardless of property ownership.
- Movement or use of contaminated material in a manner that results in a violation of 18 AAC 70 water quality standards is prohibited.
- Groundwater in the state of Alaska is protected for aquaculture use. In the event that an aquaculture facility uses groundwater from this site in the future, additional treatment may be required to meet aquatic life criteria under 18 AAC 70.

DEC is concerned that the site conditions may not be protective. Failure to maintain these requirements may result in re-opening of the site by the Contaminated Sites Program, in which case, further remediation could be mandatory.

Please provide the requested documentation either by hard copy letter or email no later than **February 20, 2015**. If you have any questions about these requirements, please do not hesitate to contact me at (907) 465-5229 or evonne.reese@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,



Evonne Reese
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Institutional Control Unit

Encl: 2013 Decision Document: Cleanup Complete Determination – Institutional Controls