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DIVISION OF SPILL PREVENTION AND RESPONSE CONTAMINATED SITES REMEDIATION PROGRAM

Virginia Ferrari and Mike Lee
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Egegik, Alaska

June 2, 2001

Subject: Conditional approval of "Woodbine Alaska Fish Company, Egegik, Alaska, 'Free Product Recovery Plan'," dated and received on June 1, 2001

Dear Ms. Ferrari:

The Contaminated Sites Remediation Program has reviewed the subject work plan, which proposes immediate initiation of free product recovery using sorbent booms, as requested in the Department's May 31, 2001 letter to you. The plan is approved with the following conditions and comments:

- 1) As noted in the Department's May 31st letter, the maximum accumulation of product may take place later than immediately following low low or high low tide; field observations should be made to determine the best time to recover product. If booms become fuel saturated they should be replaced and new (or recycled) booms used to recover additional accumulated product during low tide periods. Observations should be made regarding how rapidly fuel 'recharges' the shallow trench, once it is removed.
- 2) The section of the plan titled "Fuel Recovery Wells" discusses use of duct tape, which is acceptable for an interim measure; however, well caps should be obtained or fabricated as soon as possible so that you need not rely on tape, which may not be sufficiently waterproof, and to reduce the effort required to check the wells. Duct tape will probably do the job for attaching the well screens since the backfill will hold the screens in place.
- 3) Discharge of water treated using the Absorbant-W water scrubbing system cannot be approved until additional information is provided by Platt Environmental. Any treated water should be containerized until Department approval is granted for discharge.
- 4) Please provide information confirming that the visible leaks in the repaired section of pipe observed during Department staff's May 23rd and 24th visit have been repaired, and that the entire line has been leak-tested. Excavation and examination of the remaining section of buried pipe is highly recommended as the force needed to damage the pipe elbow responsible for the April 24th gasoline release may have damaged other fittings along the line.

Please call me at (907) 269-7527 or email eileen_olson@envircon.state.ak.us if you have questions or comments regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



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