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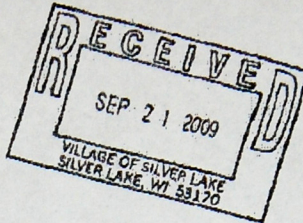
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Village of Silver Lake  
113 South First Street  
Silver Lake, WI 53170-0057

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To whom it may concern,

Groundwater contamination that appears to have originated on the Kruzan Oil Inc. Bulk Plant property located at 110 Railroad Street, Silver Lake, Wisconsin has migrated onto your property (Schmalfeldt Park). The level of Benzene contamination in the groundwater on your property is above the state groundwater enforcement standards ("ES") found in chapter NR 140, Wis. Adm. Code. However, the environmental consultants who have investigated this contamination have informed me that this groundwater contaminant plume is stable and in the process receding and will naturally degrade over time. The environmental consultants believe that allowing natural attenuation to complete the cleanup at this site will meet the requirements for case closure that are found in chapters NR 726 and NR 746 Wis. Adm. Code. Therefore, I will be requesting that the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) accept natural attenuation as the final remedy for this site and grant case closure. Closure means that the WDNR will not be requiring any further investigation or active cleanup action to be taken, other than the reliance on natural attenuation.

Since the source of the groundwater contamination is not on your property, neither you nor any subsequent owner of your property will be held responsible for investigation or cleanup of this groundwater contamination, as long as you and any subsequent owners comply with the requirements of section 292.13, Wis. Stat., including allowing access to your property for environmental investigation or cleanup, if access is required. A copy of the WDNR's Fact Sheet 10: *Guidance for Dealing with Properties Affected by Off-Site Contamination* (publication #RR-589) is attached for your review.

The WDNR will not review my closure request for at least 30 days after the date of this letter. As a potentially affected property owner, you have the right to contact the WDNR to provide any technical information that you may have that indicates that closure should not be granted for this site. If you would like to submit any information to the WDNR that is relevant to this closure request, you should mail that information to Shanna Laube, WDNR, 9531 Rayne Road, Sturtevant, WI 53177.

If this case is closed, all properties within the site boundaries where groundwater contamination exceeds the ES will be listed on the WDNR's geographic information system ("GIS") Registry of Closed Remediation Sites. The information on the GIS Registry includes maps showing the location of properties in Wisconsin where

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