

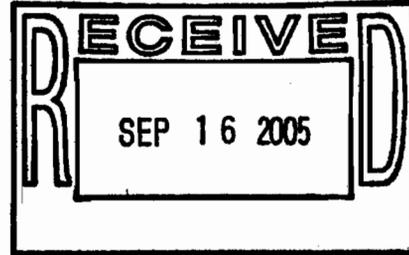


STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

September 13, 2005



Mr. Alan H. Bergren  
Town Manager  
Town of East Hampton  
20 East High Street,  
East Hampton, CT 06424-1000

RE: Notification of Significant Environmental Hazard  
Former Ghezzi Motors  
13 Watrous Street, East Hampton

Dear Mr. Bergren:

This is to acknowledge receipt, on August 26, 2005 of written notification, under the requirements of Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) Section 22a-6u. This notification reported the presence of an environmental hazard at a property owned by the Town of East Hampton that is known as Former Ghezzi Motors, located at 13 Watrous Street in East Hampton. The notification identified the following significant environmental hazard(s):

Groundwater polluted with trichloroethylene at a concentration of 27 ppb, exceeding the adopted groundwater protection criteria, is or may be located within 500 feet upgradient of a supply well.

Thank you for notifying DEP of this condition, which you believe is due to historical land use. It is DEP's understanding that in the intervening period additional activity has been conducted at this site. Specifically, that the on-site drinking water well has been sampled and no trichloroethylene was detected.

DEP requests, under CGS Section 22a-6u (j)(2), that you take the following action immediately:

Inventory all public or private water supply wells present within 500 feet of the site, and test any identified wells for volatile organic compounds using EPA test method 524.2 and for total petroleum hydrocarbons using the Connecticut ETPH method or EPA test method 525.2.

DEP requests under CGS Section 22a-6u (j)(2), that you immediately implement the hazard abatement actions you propose in your notification, which consists of identifying drinking water wells relative to the site and in addition, implement the testing of all wells as indicated above. Please submit your plan to the attention of the staff member identified below.

Within 30 days of receipt of this acknowledgement, please submit a detailed letter report of your actions, including any test results, status of any untested wells, and recommendations for further action or monitoring, to the attention of the staff member identified below. Upon receipt of any analytical results indicating that the water supply well samples exceed the groundwater protection criteria immediately notify the users of the supply well and provide bottled water. Additionally, please contact the identified DEP staff member and the local Health Director.

The information you provided is being forwarded to the Remediation Section of DEP for further evaluation, and they may elect to require action as provided in their program.

Except for environmental hazards identified under CGS 22a-6u Section (1)(b)(1) or 1(h)(1), further notifications resulting from investigations conducted as a result of this acknowledgement are not necessary, provided that DEP is promptly advised of sample results as requested above.

Please note that this letter pertains solely to the identified significant environmental hazard condition. It establishes neither a basis for determination that your site is "clean" nor a basis for submittal of a "Form II" in the event this property is an establishment subject to CGS Section 22a-134 et seq. The evaluation of a site for conformance to Connecticut's Remediation Standard Regulations is a separate and distinct activity from identification of an environmental hazard condition, although the same data may be used for both as appropriate.

Should you wish to voluntarily remediate this site, several programs are available under Sections 22a-133x and 22a-133y of the Connecticut General Statutes.

DEP encourages you to implement the remedial activity recommended by your consultant, within the framework of one of the voluntary programs available under Sections 22a-133x and 22a-133y of the Connecticut General Statutes to facilitate achieving closure of the site issues.

For your information, pursuant to the requirements of CGS Section 22a-6u (l), the DEP must forward a copy of your written notification to the chief elected official of the municipality in which the site is located and the state senator and state representative for the site's location. DEP also sends a copy to the Local Health Director. In addition, DEP sends a copy of this acknowledgement letter to these individuals. The DEP must also add this site to the "List of Significant Environmental Hazards Reported to the DEP" that is maintained on the DEP web site. Also, be advised that CGS Section 22a-6u (k), requires that the Significant Environmental Hazard Notification Report be conspicuously posted at the site not later than five days after the commencement of an activity by any person that increases the likelihood of human exposure to known contaminants.

If you have any questions regarding your obligations specified in this letter, please contact Gil Richards of the DEP at 860-424-3523.

Sincerely,



Elsie Patton  
Director  
Planning and Standards Division  
Bureau of Waste Management

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cc:

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Gil Richards, DEP

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Rob Hust, Water Planning and Standards, DEP

*As noted above, under the provisions of CGS Section 22a-6u (l) copies are also provided to the following:*

Mr. Thad D. King, Director of Health, Chatham Health District, 20 East High Street, East Hampton, CT 06424

Mr. Alan H. Bergren, Town Manager, Town of East Hampton, 20 East High Street, East Hampton, CT 06424

The Honorable Christopher J. Goff, Chairman, Town Council, Town of East Hampton, 20 East High Street, East Hampton, CT 06424

The Honorable Gail K. Hamm, State Representative, Legislative Office Building, Room 4020, Hartford, CT 06106-1591

The Honorable Eileen M. Daily, State Senator, Legislative Office Building, Room 3700, Hartford, CT 06106-1591