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Bergeys Realty Company 462 Harleysville Pike Souderton, PA 18964

Re:

Ridge Run PFAS HSCA Site

West Rockhill Township

Bucks County

Dear Sir or Madame:

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is seeking information concerning a release and or threat of release of hazardous substances or contaminants into the environment at the Ridge Run PFAS HSCA Site in West Rockhill Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania (Site). Our information indicates that Bergeys Realty Co. currently owns and operates a Bergey's Tire & Auto facility at 1389 Bethlehem Pike in West Rockhill Township, Bucks County, Parcel ID 52-014-065 (Property), which is located near the Site. A figure showing the location of the Property is attached.

The Department believes that Bergeys Realty Co. and or Bergey's Tire & Auto may have information relevant to the release of hazardous substances or contaminants on the Property and/or at the Site. Therefore, pursuant to Section 503 of the Pennsylvania Hazardous Sites Cleanup Act (HSCA), the Act 108 of October 18, 1988, 35 P.S. Section 6020.503, the Department requests that you furnish all the information and documents in your possession, custody or control, or in the possession, custody or control of the officers, employees or agents of Bergeys Realty Co. and Bergey's Tire & Auto, which concern, refer to or relate to hazardous substances, as that term is defined by Section 103 of HSCA, 35 P.S. Section 6020.103, which may have been generated, treated, stored, disposed, transported to, or released at the Property and/or the Site.

Specifically, your response to this request should include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Documentation regarding the types and quantities of hazardous substances, contaminants, or materials containing hazardous substances which were disposed of, stored, treated, spilled or released into the soil, groundwater or surface water at the Property and/or the Site. Please use specific chemical names rather than generic terms, such as "solvents" or "liquid wastes." Please also describe the manner and the location in which any of the above materials were disposed of, stored, treated, spilled or released into the soil, groundwater or surface waters at the Property and/or the Site.

Within your response, please include documentation regarding the use or release of the hazardous group of chemicals known as Per- and poly-flourinated alkyl substances (PFAS), including but not limited to Perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) and Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), including such chemicals that may have been contained in Aqueous Film Forming Foam (AFFF) that may have been used by the U.S. Navy and others to respond to fires on the Property.

- 2. Documentation regarding the approximate dates such hazardous substances, contaminants, or materials containing hazardous substances, were disposed of, stored, treated, spilled or released at the Property and/or the Site.
- 3. Documentation concerning how such hazardous substances, contaminants, or materials containing hazardous substances were treated, transported to, stored or disposed of at the Property and/or the Site.
- 4. Documentation regarding the identity and address of any other person or company which generated, treated, stored, transported or disposed of hazardous substances, contaminants, or materials containing hazardous substances at the Property and/or the Site.
- 5. Documentation regarding any groundwater wells present at the Property and/or the Site that may be sampled to provide information on the presence of hazardous substances or materials at the Property and/or the Site. This should include any well construction information and the results of any previous sampling.
- 6. Documentation regarding the assets and liabilities of Bergeys Realty Co. and Bergey's Tire & Auto.

As used herein, the term "documents" includes but is not limited to, writings (handwritten, typed, or otherwise produced or reproduced), any invoices, checks, receipts, bills of lading, weight receipts, toll receipts, correspondence, offers, contracts, agreements, deeds, leases, manifests, licenses, permits, bids, proposals, logs, books of original entry, minutes of meetings, memoranda, notes, calendar or diary entries, agendas, bulletins, notices, announcements, charts, maps, photographs, drawings, manuals, brochures, reports of scientific study or investigations, schedules, price lists, telegrams, teletypes, phone-records, magnetic voice or video records, tapes, summaries, magnetic tapes, punch cards, recordings, disks, computer printouts, or data compilations from which information can be obtained or translated.

Please be advised that, except as provided in Section 503(h) of the HSCA, records, reports, or other information obtained under the Act may be made available to the public for inspection or copying during regular business hours. The Department may, upon request, designate records, reports or information as confidential, when the person providing such information demonstrates the need for confidentiality pursuant to the requirements under Section 503(h) of the HSCA.

The above-requested information should be sent directly to Lena Harper, Hazardous Sites Cleanup Program, Bureau of Environmental Cleanup & Brownfields, at the address located in the first page footer, within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

This letter, issued under the Department's authority to obtain information, is neither a final action nor an order, and gives you no right of appeal. If you do not provide the requested information, however, the Department has the authority to issue an order against you or to take other appropriate legal action. Any destruction or alteration of the documents requested in this letter may subject you to criminal penalties under Section 1105(c) of the HSCA, 35 P.S. Section 6021.1105(c).

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Lena Harper by email at lharper@pa.gov. or by telephone at 484.250.5721 or have your attorney contact Brian Glass by telephone at 484.250.5870.

Sincerely,

Ragesh R. Patel

Environmental Program Manger

Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields

cc:

Ms. Harper

Mr. Cherry

Mr. Glass

West Rockhill Township

Bucks County Health Department

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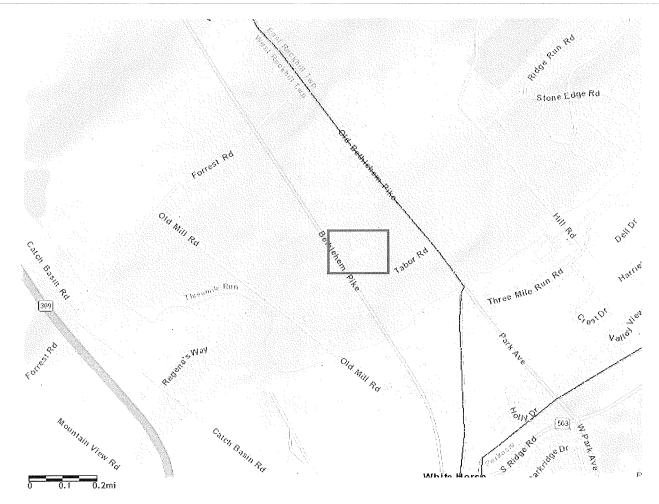


Figure 1. Property location