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Jason Nedved
POET Biorefining
40509 247th Street
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Subject: Closure - Department of Environment and Natural Resources Case # 2017.010
Corn syrup spill at POET in Mitchell, SD

Dear Mr. Nedved:

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) has conducted a review of the information that has been provided concerning this case. Based upon that information the DENR Ground Water Quality Program has determined that its case file for #2017.010 can be closed.

According to the information provided to date: approximately 50 gallons of corn syrup was released on January 20, 2017, due to a valve not properly closing; the corn syrup was spilled on the cement within the facility; the valve was fixed; and the corn syrup was cleaned up and was placed back into the process. The DENR Ground Water Quality Program does not intend to require additional assessment or cleanup actions in response to this spill event.

The reported activities initiated in response to this event are consistent with the expectations of our program. Please be aware that if environmental problems arise additional assessment and remediation might be necessary. Should you have any questions concerning this letter please contact Kelsey Newling of my staff at 605.773.3296. Thank you for protecting South Dakota's water resources.

Sincerely,

Kim McIntosh
Environmental Manager

cc: Jeff Bathke, Davison County Emergency Management, Mitchell, SD
Al Spangler, SD DENR Surface Water Quality Program, Pierre, SD