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Jason Nedved
POET Biorefining
40509 247th Street
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Subject: Closure - Department of Environment and Natural Resources Case # 2017.062
Corn mash spill at POET Biorefining 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 case file #2017.062 can be closed.

According to the information provided to date: approximately 150 gallons of corn mash was released on May 5, 2017, due to a power outage; the corn mash spilled onto the gravel within the facility; the contaminated gravel was excavated; and the excavated materials were placed in the dumpster for disposal. The DENR Ground Water Quality Program does not intend to require additional assessment in response to this 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 your continued cooperation and assistance in protecting the quality of South Dakota's natural resources.

Sincerely,

Kim McIntosh
Environmental Manager

cc: Jeff Bathke, Davison County Emergency Management, Mitchell, SD