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Subject: DENR File Number 2015.083 – Pertaining to a No Further Action (NFA)
designation for a spill of liquid fertilizer, Mount Vernon Area

Dear Mr. Edinger:

The department's Ground Water Quality Program has reviewed the information provided in response to the spill of 10-34-0 liquid fertilizer upon the roadway and right-of-way surfaces of "Old Hwy 16" near 396th Avenue. It is understood that approximately 1400 gallons of product was spilled upon the paved surfaces of the roadway from a ruptured poly tank on May 09, 2015. The roadway surfaces were rinsed with water and the product was contained within the adjacent right-of-way shoulders. Reports indicate: the shoulders were promptly excavated for the entire length of the spill zone; the excavated soils were appropriately stockpiled; and the stockpiled soils have been land applied. A visual inspection of the site was performed by department staff during the growing season and negative impacts were not observed. It is believed that any remaining product is bound within the soils of the roadway shoulder, is degrading with the passage of time, and does not pose a risk to ground water. Therefore, the department's Ground Water Quality Program is placing case file 2015.083 into the "No Further Action" category.

Please be advised that case file 2015.083 can be re-opened and Edinger Brothers can be directed to employ the services of an environmental consultant for the purposes of performing assessment and cleanup activities at the site if problems arise and are believed to be related to this spill event. The No Further Action designation will be recorded in DENR's release database and can be found at our internet website: <http://arcgis.sd.gov/server/denr/spillviewer/>

If you have questions or concerns about your site's No Further Action designation please contact Rick Lancaster of my staff at 605.773.3296. Thank you for your cooperation and the actions taken to protect South Dakota's water resources.

Sincerely,

Steven M. Pirner
Secretary

cc/e: Mark Jenniges, Davison County Emergency Management, Mitchell
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