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#### FALVEY STEEL CASTINGS INC 3 PHILIPP ROAD HOLBROOK, MA 02343-

Attn: FRANK FALVEY

November 2, 2005

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS **DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION** METROPOLITAN BOSTON – NORTHEAST REGIONAL OFFICE AND ED ONE WINTER STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108 617-292-5500

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RTN: 3-0024519

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The Massachusetts Oil and Hazardous Materials Release, Prevention and Response Act (M.G.L. c.21E) and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (the MCP), 310 CMR 40.0000, contain the requirements and timeframes for completing the cleanup of releases. The progress of <u>all</u> cleanups is tracked to see if required information is being submitted to DEP on time. DEP staff audit a percentage of MCP submittals to make sure that response actions are scientifically and technically sound and that cleanups are protective and are in compliance with the MCP. Please read the following information carefully. It will help explain what you must do to comply with the MCP and c. 21E.

### 1. Why does DEP think I am responsible for the cleanup at this site?

At some point during the past year, DEP was notified of a release of oil and/or hazardous material at your property. You are listed in DEP's records as the person who is responsible for cleaning up this release. For example, at the time you or another party notified DEP that the release occurred, you either informed DEP that you accepted responsibility for the cleanup or you were sent a "Notice of Responsibility" (NOR) by DEP informing you that you were responsible for the release. In any case, DEP has reason to believe that you are an owner, operator, generator, transporter, disposer, or person who is otherwise responsible for the release at the subject property (referred to as the "site"). This means that, under Section 5 of M.G.L. Chapter 21E, you are a *Potentially Responsible Party* (PRP) and you are liable for response action costs associated with the release. As a PRP, you are required to conduct and complete certain response actions outlined in the MCP to clean up the release of oil and/or hazardous materials expeditiously.

#### 2. Why are the MCP submittal deadlines important?

Timely MCP submittals to DEP inform both DEP and the public that the site's environmental problems are being addressed and that cleanup is being conducted. It is in your best interest to conduct response actions properly and to provide DEP with the required submittals and information about your site's cleanup by the deadlines set in the MCP to avoid violation notices and penalties. If you fail to provide DEP with the required submittals by your site's one-year deadline, you will be violating the MCP and your site will be deemed Tier ID and DEP will assess you a \$4,000 fee for the first year and each year thereafter. If that happens, you and your LSP should classify your site to return to compliance and change the fee category. DEP may initiate enforcement action to get your site into compliance through DEP's Civil Administrative Penalty Regulations, 310 CMR 5.00. You could also be assessed a significant penalty if you fail to return to compliance.

## 3. What do I have to do by the site's one-year deadline to stay in compliance with the MCP?

Your first step is to contact your Licensed Site Professional (LSP) to find out the status of your site.

- If you believe the cleanup at your site has been completed, ask your LSP to prepare and submit a Response Action Outcome (RAO) Statement [310 CMR 40.1000], as soon as possible, or by your one-year deadline. If you submit an RAO Statement more than 120 days after the date of notification and before the site is tier classified, you must also pay DEP an RAO Compliance Fee of \$1,200; or
- □ If more environmental studies or cleanup are needed and you will not be able to submit the required reports before the one-year deadline, ask your LSP to complete the work necessary to file a **Tier Classification Submittal**.

The information obtained from a *Phase I Initial Site Investigation* is used to score/classify a site as *Tier I* or *Tier II* [310 CMR 40.0480 and 40.0500]. Sites scoring at or above 350 points or meeting certain inclusionary criteria are classified Tier I. All other sites are classified as Tier II. Tier I sites are further sub-classified as *Tier IA*, *IB*, or *IC*. For

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If site studies prove that contamination migrated onto your property from an upgradient property, you may (but are not required to) have your LSP prepare and submit a **Downgradient Property Status** [310 CMR 40.0180] form and supporting documentation to DEP. If you file a DPS submittal that complies with 310 CMR 40.0000, deadlines for most cleanup work will be put on hold for you unless DEP rejects your submittal. However, you will be responsible for any serious problems on your property (such as direct contact hazards) if the party responsible for the contamination refuses to deal with them. Your LSP can explain this requirement in more detail. You must also pay DEP a DPS Compliance Fee of \$1,600 if the submittal is made prior to the one-year deadline. If you submit the DPS after the one-year deadline without Tier Classifying your site, you will be assessed \$4,000 Tier ID fees for each applicable year.

## 4. Are there any other submittals required during the site's first year that I should be aware of?

Several other submittals are required before the site's one-year deadline, depending on the nature of the release. As with any submittal requirement, if you fail to provide DEP with a submittal at all or fail to provide submittals on time, you will not be in compliance with the MCP. You could be assessed a significant penalty if you fail to comply. The following is a list of several key submittals. Consult your LSP and the MCP for an explanation of all of your compliance obligations.

- Within sixty (60) days of your notifying DEP of the release condition, or within sixty (60) days of your receipt of a Notice of Responsibility (NOR) from DEP, you should have submitted a Release Notification Form (RNF) to DEP [310 CMR 40.0333 and 40.0336]. If you have not submitted an RNF to DEP, do so immediately.
- If you notified DEP of a release requiring an Immediate Response Action (IRA), you should have submitted an IRA Plan to DEP by now, unless you have completed your IRA or your cleanup is completely finished.
- □ If your IRA is completed but you have more work to do to complete your cleanup, you must submit an IRA Completion Statement [310 CMR 40.0427] within 60 days of completion of the IRA, and Tier Classify or submit a Downgradient Property Status Submittal by your site's one-year deadline. However, if your cleanup is completely finished, you may submit an RAO by the site's one-year deadline with the required \$1,200 fee.
- If you are still conducting Immediate Response Actions, make sure you are submitting IRA Status Reports. An IRA Status Report must be submitted to DEP within 120 calendar days of the date you notified DEP of the need to perform an IRA, unless an IRA Completion Report or an RAO is received by DEP within this 120-day period [310 CMR 40.0425(1)]. Additional Status Reports must be submitted to DEP every six months thereafter, until you submit an IRA Completion Statement or RAO.

## 5. What happens after the first year when a Response Action Outcome (RAO) is not submitted?

If you submit a Tier Classification by the one-year deadline you have up to five years to complete the assessment and cleanup and submit an RAO Statement. During this five year period there are specific deadlines for each phase of work that you should discuss with your LSP. Additionally, <u>you will be assessed an Annual Compliance Assurance Fee</u> for each year based on your one year deadline (also known as the Status Date). The <u>annual fee ranges from \$800 to</u> <u>\$5,000 per year</u> and is based on your site classification or status (e.g., Tier IA, IB, IC, ID, Tier II or Phase V) on your Annual Status Date. The fees are billed to you by DEP for each billable year until and <u>including</u> the year that the final RAO is submitted. However, if you do not submit either an RAO or Tier Classification by the one-year deadline, your site will be deemed Tier ID by default and you will be assessed a \$4,000 Tier ID fee for the first year and each year thereafter. You must then classify your site to return to compliance and change the fee category. Additional fee information is available at <u>http://www.mass.gov/dep/cleanup/approvals/fees.htm</u>.

## 6. Where can I get a copy of the MCP and Fee regulations?

The MCF', 310 CMR 40.0000, may be viewed at <u>http://mass.gov/dep/cleanup/lawsrule.htm</u>. Copies of the MCP and fee regulations, 310 CMR 4.00, may be purchased at the State Book Store in the State House (617-727-2834). The forms discussed above are available by contacting your consultant, LSP, the regional DEP Service Center, or through the DEP web site <u>http://www.mass.gov/dep/cleanup/approvals/trforms.htm</u>.

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December 22, 2004

Mr. Kingsley Ndi Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection One Winter Street Boston, Massachusetts 02108

> RE: Release Notification Form 3 Philipp Road Holbrook, Massachusetts

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# NONTHEAST REGIONAL OFFICE

Dear Mr. Ndi:

Pursuant to Section 40.0300 of the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP), enclosed please find a Release Notification Form (RNF) for the above referenced project site. The Reportable Concentration (RC) exceedance identified upon the enclosed RNF were identified during subsurface assessment activities conducted by a prospective purchaser, Three Philipps Road, LLC ("TPR"), in August of 2004. Based upon the results that were obtained from this scope of work, TPR withdrew from the Purchase and Sale agreement and provided the results from the due diligence assessment to both the owner and current operator of the property, which are identified below.

#### **Property Owner**

#### **Current Operator**

Holbrook Chemical Corp. ("Holbrook") Castings, Inc. ("FSC") c/o Hampden Color 3 Philipp Road Post Office Box 558 Holbrook, MA

Post Office Box 558 Springfield, MA 01101

Please be advised that this submittal has been prepared by FSC as the current operator of the property, tenant at will and innocent and potentially eligible tenant pursuant to the provisions of 310 CMR 40.0000. It should be noted that FSC, a distributor of cutting heads for rock crushing operations, does not use, store or handle hazardous materials as a part of its operations, does not utilize the underground or aboveground storage tank systems on the property, and it is our understanding that the

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release conditions that the been identified are consistent with collbrook's operational practices at the site by Holbrook, prior to the commencement of FSC's tenancy. Additionally, FSC has not caused or contributed to the release, has not acted or failed to act to cause the release to become worse, and has not caused a new exposure to the release. Further, FSC provides this notification pursuant to its obligations as both a current operator and potential eligible tenant pursuant to G.L. c. 21E, §2(e)(1)(B) and §7.

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While we acknowledge FSC's status as a current operator and potential eligible tenant at the property, FSC has no control over the property because it is owned by Holbrook, nor has FSC conducted any activities related to the conditions that are associated with former usage of the site. Accordingly, a notice of responsibility should be directed to Holbrook and potentially the prior owners of the property and not FSC.

Our title research indicates that the property was originally owned by The Portland Chemical Works, Incorporated of Portland, Connecticut, which conveyed the property to Holbrook in approximately 1960. Holbrook operated at the property between approximately 1960 and 1998. FSC did not commence its tenancy at the property until 1998. FSC actually leases the property from One Phillips Road Corporation ("OPRC"). The President of OPRC is reportedly Philipp E. Bendheim. The President of Holbrook is reportedly Charles E. Bendheim who we believe is related to Philipp Bendheim. The address for OPRC provided by the Massachusetts Secretary of State's Office is 1 Phillip Road, Holbrook, Massachusetts 02343 and the address provided for Phillip Bendheim is 1 Parker Place, Fort Lee, New Jersey 07024. We understand that Holbrook and Phillip Bendheim are represented locally by Attorney Richard E. Gentilli of Bartlett Hackett and Feinberg, P.C., 10 High Street, Suite 920, Boston, Massachusetts 02110.

Upon your review of this submittal, we would appreciate the opportunity to discuss this matter in further detail.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

ONE WINTER STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108 617-292-5500

ELLEN ROY HERZFELDER Secretary

ROBERT W. GOLLEDGE, Jr. Commissioner

January 12, 2005

RE: Holbrook 3 Philipp Road RTN 3-24519

Holbrook Chemical Corp. c/o Hampden Color P. O. Box 558 Springfield, MA 01101

Attention: Charles E. Bendheim

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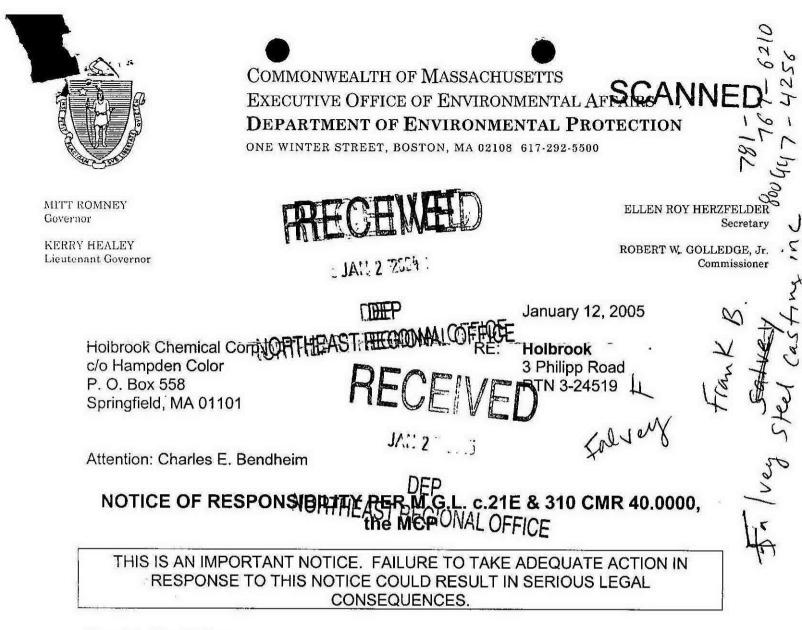
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From: Sent: To: Subject: Lambert, Astar (DEP) Wednesday, February 02, 2005 2:14 PM Deering, Paegan (DEP) Holbrook Chemical Corp

Hi Paegan!

Iris said you would be able to find out if this company still exists:

Holbrook Chemical Corp. C/o of Hampden Color

## President: Charles E Bendheim

Thanks, Astar

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> Add to file \* New PRP

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April 13, 2005

Falvey Steel Castings Inc P.O. Box 425 Holbrook, MA 02343 RE: Holbrook 3 Philipp Road RTN 3-24519

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Iris W. Davis Executive Offices of Environmental Affairs Department of Environmental Protection One Winter Street Boston, MA 02108

## RE: Notice of Responsibility per Mass. General Law 21E and 310 CMR 40.00, The MCP

Dear Ms. Davis:

As we discussed, I represent Falvey Steel Castings, Inc. hereinafter ("Falvey") in connection with the above-referenced matter. Please be advised that we would like to request a meeting with you as soon as possible to discuss this matter.

As we also discussed, Falvey is a tenant on the subject premises and has never generated hazardous material. The "discharge" requiring notification came to our attention as we were conducting environmental tests as part of our due diligence to possibly purchasing the property. As a result of our discovery we terminated the Purchase and Sale Agreement and were told by our LSP that we were required to notify you if the owner either refused or failed to notify you. We notified the owner who in fact has either refused or otherwise failed to notify you.

It appears that the Notice of Responsibility should be sent to a necessary party and actual owner of the property.

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Iris W. Davis May 2, 2005 Page 2

I have enclosed a copy of my client's letter dated December 22, 2004, which specifies the title history of the property and the actual generator of the contamination. Specifically, the address for One Phillips Road Corporation is One Phillips Road, Holbrook, MA 02343 and the address provided for the individual owner is Philip Benheim, One Parker Place, Fort Lee, NJ 07024. Also, both Holbrook and Philip Benheim are represented locally by Attorney Richard E. Gentile of Bartlett, Hackett and Feinberg, P.C., 10 High Street, Suite 920, Boston, MA 02110.

I look forward to speaking with you relative to this matter. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Leo J. Cushing, Esquire

LJC:mcc Enclosures cc: Frank Falvey, Sr. Adam Brodsky, Esq.

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# Falvey Steel Castings ProNNED

P.O. BOX 425 HOLBROOK, MA 02343 (781) 767-6210/(800) 447-4256 Fax: (781) 767-6218

December 22, 2004

Current Operator

Mr. Kingsley Ndi Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection One Winter Street Boston, Massachusetts 02108

> RE: Release Notification Form 3 Philipp Road Holbrook, Massachusetts

> > Property Owner

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FROM: Michael C. Hackett, Esq.	DATE:	July 8, 2005
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Attached per your request please find a copy of our May 2, 2005 correspondence with respect to the 3 Phillip Rd., Holbrook, MA matter.

Best regards,

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Michael C. Hackett

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## RE: Notice of Responsibility per Mass. General Law 21E and 310 CMR 40.00, The MCP

Dear Ms. Davis:

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As we also discussed, Falvey is a tenant on the subject premises and has never generated hazardous material. The "discharge" requiring notification came to our attention as we were conducting environmental tests as part of our due diligence to possibly purchasing the property. As a result of our discovery we terminated the Purchase and Sale Agreement and were told by our LSP that we were required to notify you if the owner either refused or failed to notify you. We notified the owner who in fact has either refused or otherwise failed to notify you.

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LJC:mcc Enclosures CC: Frank Falvey, Sr.

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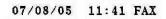
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## Table 1.0 Summary of Oil and/or Hazardous Materials Identified at

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Jervilium		X	07440-41-7	1.2	ma/kg	RCS-1-0.7 mg/ke
cad		X	07439-92-1	450	me/ke	RCS-1 - 300 mg/kg
Cit-C2 Aromatics	X		NA	5830	mg/kg	RCS-1-200 mg/kg



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ONE WINTER STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108 617-292-5500

ELLEN ROY HERZFELDER Secretary

ROBERT W. GOLLEDGE, Jr. Commissioner

July 20, 2005

Holbrook Chemical Corp. c/o Hampden Color 1 Parker Plaza Fort Lee, NJ 07024 RE: Holbrook 3 Philipp Road RTN 3-24519

Attention: Philip E. Benheim

## NOTICE OF RESPONSIBILITY PER M.G.L. c.21E & 310 CMR 40.0000, the MCP

THIS IS AN IMPORTANT NOTICE. FAILURE TO TAKE ADEQUATE ACTION IN RESPONSE TO THIS NOTICE COULD RESULT IN SERIOUS LEGAL CONSEQUENCES.

Dear Mr. Bendheim:

Information contained in a Release Notification Form (RNF) submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection (the Department or DEP) on December 24, 2004 and submitted by Holbrook Chemical Corp. indicates that there is or has been a release of oil and/or hazardous material at the above-referenced property which exceeds a "120 day" reporting threshold (310 CMR 40.0315) and which requires one or more response actions.

Based on this information, the Department has reason to believe that the subject property or portion(s) thereof is a disposal site as defined in the Massachusetts Oil and Hazardous Material Release Prevention and Response Act, M.G.L. c. 21E, and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan, 310 CMR 40.0000 (the MCP). M.G.L. c. 21E and the MCP govern the assessment and cleanup of disposal sites.

The purpose of this notice is to inform you of your legal responsibilities under state law for assessing and/or remediation of the subject release. For purposes of this notice, the terms and phrases used herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them by the MCP

This information is available in alternate format. Call Aprel McCabe, ADA Coordinator at 1-617-556-1171. TDD Service - 1-800-298-2207.

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unless the text clearly indicates otherwise.

## STATUTORY LIABILITIES

The Department has reason to believe that you (as used in this letter, "you" refers to Holbrook Chemical Corp.) are a Potentially Responsible Party (a PRP) with liability under M.G.L. c. 21E, § 5, for response action costs. Section 5 makes the following parties liable to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts: current owners or operators of a site from or at which there is or has been a release/threat of release of oil or hazardous material; any person who owned or operated a site at the time hazardous material was stored or disposed of; any person who arranged for the transport, disposal, storage or treatment of hazardous material to or at a site; any person who transported hazardous material to a transport, disposal, storage or treatment site from which there is or has been a release/threat of release of such material; and any person who otherwise caused or is legally responsible for a release/threat of release of oil or hazardous material at a site.

This liability is "strict", meaning it is not based on fault, but solely on your status as an owner, operator, generator, transporter or disposer. It is also joint and several, meaning that you may be liable for all response action costs incurred at the site, regardless of the existence of any other liable parties.

The MCP requires responsible parties to take necessary response actions at properties where there is or has been a release or threat of release of oil and/or hazardous material. If you do not take the necessary response actions, or fail to perform them in an appropriate and timely manner, the Department is authorized by M.G.L. c. 21E to have the work performed by its contractors. By taking such actions, you can avoid liability for response action costs incurred by the Department and its contractors in performing these actions, and sanctions, which may be imposed for failure to perform response actions under the MCP.

You may be liable for up to three (3) times all response action costs incurred by the Department. Response action costs include, without limitation, the cost of direct hours spent by Department employees arranging for response actions or overseeing work performed by persons other than the Department or their contractors, expenses incurred by the Department in support of those direct hours, and payments to the Department's contractors. (For more detail on cost liability, see 310 CMR 40.1200.)

The Department may also assess interest on costs incurred at the rate of twelve percent (12%), compounded annually. To secure payment of this debt, the Commonwealth may place liens on all of your property in the Commonwealth. To recover the debt, the Commonwealth may foreclose on these liens or the Attorney General may bring legal action against you.

In addition to your liability for up to three (3) times all response action costs incurred by the Department, you may also be liable to the Commonwealth for damages to natural resources caused by the release. Civil and criminal liability may also be imposed under M.G.L. c. 21E, § 11, and civil administrative penalties may be imposed under M.G.L. c. 21A, § 16 for each violation of M.G.L. c. 21E, the MCP, or any order, permit or approval issued thereunder.

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## NECESSARY RESPONSE ACTIONS

The subject site shall not be deemed to have all the necessary and required response actions taken unless and until all substantial hazards presented by the site have `been eliminated and a level of No Significant Risk exists or has been achieved in compliance with M.G.L. c. 21E and the MCP. In addition, the MCP requires persons undertaking response actions at disposal sites to perform Immediate Response Actions (IRAs) in response to "sudden releases", Imminent Hazards and Substantial Release Migration. Such persons must continue to evaluate the need for IRAs and notify the Department immediately if such a need exists.

It is important to note that you must dispose of any Remediation Waste generated at the subject location in accordance with 310 CMR 40.0030 including, without limitation, contaminated soil and/or debris. Any Bill of Lading accompanying such waste must bear the seal and signature of an LSP or, if the response action is performed under the direct supervision of the Department, the signature of an authorized representative of the Department.

The Department encourages parties with liabilities under M.G.L. c. 21E to take prompt action in response to releases and threats of release of oil and/or hazardous material. By taking prompt action, you may significantly lower your assessment and cleanup costs and avoid the imposition of, or reduce the amount of, certain permit and annual compliance fees for response actions payable under 310 CMR 4.00.

If you have any questions relative to this notice, you should contact Iris Davis at the letterhead address or (617) 654-6542. All future communications regarding this release must reference the Release Tracking Number (RTN) 3-24519 contained in the subject block of this letter.

W. Davis

Risk Reduction Chief Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup

cc: Holbrook Health Department, by electronic mail

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## Jeering, Paegan (DEP)

From: Sent: To: Subject: Deering, Paegan (DEP) Friday, February 03, 2006 2:40 PM 'reg@bostonbusinesslaw.com' Holbrook, 3 Philipp Road

Holbrook, 3 Philipp Road Release Tracking Number 3-24519

Mr. Gentile:

Please inform Mr. Benhein that MassDEP received a report of contamination on the above referenced property. The report was received in December of 2004 based on a 21E assessment of the property. MassDEP regulations (21E) provide one year to Tier Classify the site or close the site with a Response Action Outcome Statement.

I am in the process of composing a Notice of Noncompliance for the site and note that Mr. Benhein may never have received a Notice of Responsibility for the site.

Please ask Mr. Benhein to contact me to discuss the property.

I am attaching a link to our web site so that Mr. Benhein may familiarize himself with our Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup process. <u>http://www.mass.gov/dep/bwsc/</u>

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Thank you,

Paegan Deering Environmental Analyst MassDEP Northeast Region 205B Lowell Street Wilmington, MA 01887

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