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James Wheeler
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Dear James,

At your request, I am providing the following additional information on the environmental condition of the Berlin Readiness Center.

With regard to concerns about the existing tank being double walled with a monitoring system. The heating oil tank (DES) regulated under Env-Or 400 (Underground Storage Tank Program) was removed in 2007. The soil sampling conducted during its removal and closure found that any substances in the soil were well below the state soil standards outlined in Env-Or 611. The DES did not require any additional action regarding the tank after the submission of the closure report. The 1000-gallon propane tank that replaced it is not regulated under Env-Or 400 as propane does not meet the definition of a regulated substance in Env-Or 402.49. We have no reason to believe there is any contamination requiring clean up.

With regard to the indoor firing range, it was encapsulated to seal any lead contamination. Testing of the entire facility prior to the encapsulation of the ranged revealed that the entire facility was safe to occupy for adults (<200 micrograms per square foot). Only two areas had lead levels that exceeded the threshold (>40 micrograms per square foot) for areas that are potentially occupied by children. One sample showed 40 and the other showed 49 micrograms per square foot.

With regard to the asbestos, our most recent reports do not address the condition of the asbestos nor do they recommend any abatement. We interpret that to mean that any asbestos is in acceptable condition.

We are willing to attend a meeting and answer any questions concerning the condition of the building.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Warren M. Perry".

Warren M. Perry