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RE: **No Further Action Determination**  
for **Szermi's (formerly Harvey's Texaco)**  
In Hood River, Hood River County  
**[LUST # 14-20-1022 and 14-21-1161]**

Dear Alex:

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has completed a review of the available information and the closure report entitled "*UST Site Assessment, Cleanup and Risk-Based Closure Report*", dated June 23, 2023, and submitted to DEQ on your behalf. Szermi's (site) is located at 3450 Cascade Drive, Hood River, Hood River County [Tax Lot 1000; Township 03 North; Range 10 East; Section 27D].

DEQ has determined that remedial action to address environmental contamination at Szermi's is complete, and no further action is required. This determination is based on the DEQ regulations and the facts as we now understand them including, but not limited to the following:

- The site has been a retail fueling station with convenience store since at least 1964.
- Contamination resulted from a release from the turbine sump of Tank #4 (UST permit number AKJEK).
- Soil is the affected media.
- Remedial actions taken at the site include:
  - In November 2022, four USTs and associated piping, transition sumps, and two dispensers were decommissioned by removal.
  - Approximately 534 tons of petroleum contaminated soil was excavated and disposed of at Wasco County Landfill.
  - Approximately 12,000 gallons of stormwater was removed from the excavation and sent to ORRCCO for treatment after heavy rains resulted in runoff into the tank pit.
  - Wall and floor samples of the excavation were taken according to Oregon UST Rules.
- A small amount of contamination has been left in place but at levels well below the Generic Risk-Based Concentrations (RBCs) for all complete pathways and receptors.
- The site is zoned as General Commercial (C-2) and is adjacent to Interstate 84. New USTs were installed at the site in December 2022 so the site will remain an active fueling facility. Land use is not expected to change in the foreseeable future.
- Municipal water is provided to the site and surrounding properties by the City of Hood River. A beneficial use survey was conducted, and no drinking water wells are present within ½-mile of the site.

- Should future land use change, the Risk-based evaluation should be revisited to ensure the site remains protective.
- The site has been closed using the Generic Risk-Based guidance.

Based on the available information, Szermi's is currently protective of public health and the environment. The site requires no further action under the Oregon Environmental Cleanup Law, ORS 465.200 et seq. and under Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) 340-122-0205 through 340-122-0360 unless new or previously undisclosed information becomes available, or there are changes in site development or land and water uses, or more contamination is discovered. DEQ will update the Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) database to reflect this decision.

If any contaminated soil or groundwater is encountered in the future, it must be handled and disposed of in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations. If present, monitoring wells should be maintained or decommissioned in accordance with Oregon Water Resources Department regulations.

A copy of the "*UST Site Assessment, Cleanup and Risk-Based Closure Report*" supporting this No Further Action decision can be viewed on DEQ's web site at: <https://www.deq.state.or.us/lq/tanks/lust/LustPublicLookup.asp>. Enter 14-21-1161 in the LUST Number boxes and click "Lookup" at the bottom of the page. Next, click the link labeled "14-21-1161" in the Log Number column.

DEQ recommends keeping a copy of all of the documentation associated with this remedial action with the permanent facility records. If you have any questions, please contact Tracy J England at 541-231-3399, or via email at [tracy.england@deq.oregon.gov](mailto:tracy.england@deq.oregon.gov).

Sincerely,

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Attachment(s): Site Map

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LUST # 14-21-1161 File  
LUST # 14-20-1022 File

## Site Map

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### Legend

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