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RE: **Pre-enforcement Notice**
Curtin General Store
DEQ UST Facility #3640
2024-PEN-9265

Gary Fisk & Charles Gibson:

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) believes you have violated Oregon's environmental regulations at the underground storage tank (UST) facility #3640 located at 147 Bear Creek Rd in Curtin, OR.

On April 23, 2024, DEQ conducted a full compliance inspection at this facility. The equipment inspection and subsequent records review documented violations with the UST rules. DEQ has concluded that you are responsible for the following violations of Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) 340-150.

Violations

- (1) OAR 340-151-0010; **Class I** Failure to establish or maintain a required financial responsibility mechanism
- (2) OAR 340-150-0210(2) **Class II**. Failure to have a trained UST System Operator for an UST facility or to provide emergency response information
- (3) OAR 340-150-0135(2) **Class II** Failure to allow access at reasonable time to interview persons, inspect equipment and site conditions, collect samples, take still or video pictures, conduct an investigation or review and copy records.
- (4) OAR 340-150-0052 **Class II** Failure to apply for a modified general permit registration certificate when there is a change of permittee, tank owner or property owner
- (5) OAR 340-150-0167(2) **Class II** Failure to submit a request for change-in-service, a request to return to operational status or an application to extend temporary closure at least 30 days before a temporary closure certificate expires
- (6) OAR 340-150-0400(1)(c) **Class I** Failure to install, operate, maintain or calibrate release detection equipment per manufacturer's instructions, including service checks for operability or running condition

Corrective Action Requested

- (1) Submit a General Permit Registration Form to Modify Tank Owner, Permittee or Property Owner Information by May 15, 2024
- (2) Submit a 30 Day Notice of Intent to Decommission USTs or Submit a Change in Service by July 1, 2024
- (3) Complete the decommissioning by December 31, 2024.

This matter will be referred to the Department's Office of Compliance Enforcement for formal enforcement action, which may include assessment of civil penalties and/or issuance of a Department order. Your timely and responsive action on these items will be taken into consideration in any civil penalty assessment issued by the Department.

If you believe, any of the facts in this Pre-Enforcement Notice are in error you may provide written information to me at the address shown at the top of this letter. The Department will consider new information you submit in determining the appropriate enforcement actions that will be taken for these violations.

Please feel free to contact me at 503-869-0770 or diana.foss@deq.oregon.gov if you have any questions about compliance with DEQ's UST regulations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diana Foss".

Diana Foss
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