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November 12, 2021

Mr. Eric Lindman City of Wausau 407 Grant Street Wausau, WI 54403

> Subject: Site Investigation Report Approval Wausau Center Mall (Former) 301 Washington Street, Wausau, Wisconsin BRRTS ID: 02-37-587769

Dear Mr. Lindman:

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has completed a review of the October 25, 2021 Site Investigation Report (SIR), submitted to the DNR on your behalf by REI Engineering, Inc. (REI). The SIR documents the work conducted to investigate potential hazardous substance releases at the former Wausau Mall. The DNR received a \$1050 fee for review of the SIR.

The DNR concurs with REI's conclusion that the extent of unsaturated soil and groundwater appears to have been defined by this investigation- no additional investigation of the subject property is required at this time. Vapor sampling was not performed due to insignificant volatile organic compound detections in soil or groundwater.

Though historical uses of the site included an automotive service garage, dry cleaning, and a photography development facility it appears the primary source of contamination is historic fill placed at the site. Unsaturated soil contamination was not investigated beyond the limits of the former Wausau Mall. Future redevelopment proximate to this site may indicate the presence of contamination and should be reported to the DNR per the requirement of Wis. Admin. Code Ch. NR 706.

Thank for your efforts to investigate this site, the DNR looks forward to working with you to complete the restoration of this site. Please contact me at MatthewA.Thompson@wisconsin.gov or at (715) 492-2304 if you have any questions concerning this letter.

Sincerely,

Matt Thompson Hydrogeologist Remediation and Redevelopment Program

C: Chase Kresl, REI

