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Stock's Underhood Specialists, Inc. Attn: Environmental Management, Inc. 1154 North Bradfordton Road Springfield, IL. 62711

Re: LPC #1630105083 - St. Clair County Belleville / Stock's Underhood Specialists, Inc. 321 Centreville Avenue Incident-Claim No.: 20140639 - 65099 Queue Date: October 2, 2014 Leaking UST Fiscal File

Dear Mr. Stock:

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) has completed the review of your application for payment from the Underground Storage Tank (UST) Fund for the above-referenced Leaking UST incident pursuant to Section 57.8(a) of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (Act), as amended by Public Act 92-0554 on June 24, 2002, and 35 Illinois Administrative Code (35 Ill. Adm. Code) 734.Subpart F.

This information is dated October 1, 2014 and was received by the Illinois EPA on October 2, 2014. The application for payment covers the period from June 6, 2014 to August 4, 2014. The amount requested is \$21,857.28.

On October 2, 2014, the Illinois EPA received your application for payment for this claim. As a result of the Illinois EPA's review of this application for payment, a voucher cannot be prepared for submission to the Comptroller's office for payment. Subsequent applications for payment that have been/are submitted will be processed based upon the date subsequent application for payment requests are received by the Illinois EPA. This constitutes the Illinois EPA's final action with regard to the above application(s) for payment.

The deductible amount of \$5,000.00 cannot be withheld from your payment. Pursuant to Section 57.8(a)(4) of the Act, any deductible, as determined pursuant to the Office of the State Fire Marshal's eligibility and deductibility final determination in accordance with Section 57.9 of the Act, shall be subtracted from any payment invoice paid to an eligible owner or operator.

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There are costs from this claim that are not being paid. Listed in Attachment A are the costs that are not being paid and the reasons these costs are not being paid.

An underground storage tank system owner or operator may appeal this decision to the Illinois Pollution Control Board. Appeal rights are attached.

If you have any questions or require further assistance, please contact Catherine S. Elston of my staff at 217-785-9351.

Sincerely,

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Hernando A. Albarracin, Manager Leaking Underground Storage Tank Section Division of Remediation Management Bureau of Land

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ATTACHMENT

c: Stock's Underhood Specialists, Inc. Leaking UST Claims Unit Cathy Elston

Attachment A Accounting Deductions

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Citations in this attachment are from the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5) (Act) and 35 Illinois Administrative Code (35 Ill. Adm. Code).

Description of Deductions

The application for payment in its entirety is denied because it contains costs which lack supporting documentation. Such costs are ineligible for payment from the Fund pursuant to Section 57.6(a) of the Act and 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.630(cc). Without additional supporting documentation of costs, the Illinois EPA cannot determine that costs will not be used for activities in excess of those necessary to meet the minimum requirements of Title XVI of the Act. Therefore, such costs are not approved pursuant to Section 57.7(c)(3) of the Act because they may be used for site investigation or corrective action activities in excess of those required to meet the minimum requirements of Title XVI of the Act. The documentation listed below in items 1 through 6 is necessary to support this claim submitted to the Illinois EPA.

Further, pursuant to Section 57.6(a) of the Act and 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.605(a), an owner or operator seeking payment from the Fund must submit to the Illinois EPA an application for payment on forms prescribed and provided by the Illinois EPA. The claim submitted did not include the forms listed below in items 1 and 6.

In addition, the application for payment requests handling charges for subcontractor costs when the contractor has not submitted proof of payment of the subcontractor costs. Such costs are ineligible for payment from the Fund pursuant to Section 57.6(a) of the Act and 35 III. Adm. Code 734.630(ii). In addition, such costs are not approved pursuant to Section 57.7(c)(3) of the Act because they are not reasonable. The application for payment failed to include sufficient documentation that the contractor paid the applicable subcontractor invoices. The Illinois EPA is requesting the affidavits referenced in item 6 below be completed and submitted.

Moreover, in accordance with 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.665, an owner or operator that submits an application for payment must maintain all books, records, documents, and other evidence directly pertinent to the application for payment, including but not limited to all financial information and data used in the preparation or support of applications for payment. All books, records, documents, and other evidence must be maintained in accordance with accepted business practices and appropriate accounting procedures and practices. (Sections 57.6(a) and 57.15 of the Act)

Pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.605(b)(9) and (10), a complete application for payment must contain:

An accounting of all costs, including but not limited to, invoices, receipts, and supporting documentation showing the dates and descriptions of the work performed; and

Proof of payment of subcontractor costs for which handling charges are requested. Proof of payment may include cancelled checks, lien waivers, or affidavits from the subcontractor.

The following information is needed to complete the review of the claim:

- 1. A breakdown of consulting personnel time requested for payment. Specifically requested are the *Consulting Personnel Costs Form* for the above-referenced claim and the companion *Personnel Weekly Work Sheet* that includes the days and times of day worked for each employee. Both forms are accessible on the Illinois EPA's Leaking UST Program Web page at www.epa.state.il.us/land/lust/forms/budget-forms/forms-1/table-of-contents.html under the Application for Payment Forms.
- 2. A copy of all employees' time sheets for the period for which consulting personnel time was requested for payment.
- 3. A copy of all contracts signed by the UST owner or operator for the abovereferenced claim.
- 4. A copy of all contracts and agreements between the consultant and all subcontractors.
- 5. Documentation that the UST owner or operator paid the applicable deductible. Documentation could include a copy of the canceled check (front and back).
- 6. Affidavit(s) (attached)—completed, signed, and sealed—for the following subcontractor for the work completed pursuant to the above-referenced claim:

Prairie Analytical Systems, Inc. (2) Waste Management – Milam RDF Gateway Sand & Gravel Ltd.

The Illinois EPA has determined that a complete application for payment has not been submitted and the information listed above in items 1 through 6 is needed for a complete application for payment.

In addition, the following deductions would be made to the submittal:

\$1,429.23, deduction for drilling costs which lack supporting documentation. Such costs are ineligible for payment from the Fund pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.630(cc). Since there is no supporting documentation of costs, the Illinois EPA cannot determine that costs will not be used for activities in excess of those necessary to meet the minimum requirements of Title XVI of the Act. Therefore, such costs are not approved pursuant to Section 57.7(c)(3) of the Act because they may be used for

site investigation or corrective action activities in excess of those required to meet the minimum requirements of Title XVI of the Act.

The drilling costs lack technical documentation, including soil boring logs and analytical results.

2. \$244.27, deduction for analytical costs which lack supporting documentation. Such costs are ineligible for payment from the Fund pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.630(cc). Since there is no supporting documentation of costs, the Illinois EPA cannot determine that costs will not be used for activities in excess of those necessary to meet the minimum requirements of Title XVI of the Act. Therefore, such costs are not approved pursuant to Section 57.7(c)(3) of the Act because they may be used for site investigation or corrective action activities in excess of those required to meet the minimum requirements of Title XVI of the Act.

The analytical costs for flash point, paint filter, pH, soil preparation for metals, TCLP Lead and one sample shipping lacks technical documentation, including soil boring logs and analytical results.

\$161.49, adjustment in the handling charges due to the deduction(s) of ineligible costs. Such costs are ineligible for payment from the Fund pursuant to Section 57.1(a) of the Act and 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.635.

Ineligible drilling costs and analytical costs are not eligible for handling charges.

4. \$126.52, deduction for handling charges for subcontractor costs when the contractor has not submitted proof of payment for subcontractor costs. Such costs are ineligible for payment from the Fund pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.630 (ii). In addition, such costs are not approved pursuant to Section 57.7(c)(3) of the Act because they are not reasonable.

Proof of payment that JK Five Construction paid the subcontractor, Waste Management – Milam RDF.

Attachment: Affidavit(s)

AFFIDAVIT

State of Illinois

County of Sangamon

I, the undersigned, ______, being first duly sworn upon my oath, do hereby depose and state as follows:

I am an authorized agent of Prairie Analytical Systems, Inc.

The following activity has been completed at Stock's Underhood Specialists, Inc., 321 Centreville Avenue, Belleville, Illinois:

Laboratory analysis of one sample each of arsenic, barium, cadmium, lead, mercury, selenium, PCB, VOA, BNA, four BETX/MTBE samples and PNA samples by persons directly employed by Prairie Analytical Systems, Inc.

I have personal knowledge of invoice #1402924 for the sum of \$1,947.33, and it has been paid in full. I further attest that no discounts, price reduction, give backs, or rebates of any kind were or will be issued to any party regarding the payment of this invoice.

I am aware there are significant penalties for submitted false statements or representations to the Illinois EPA, including but not limited to fines, imprisonment, or both as provided in Sections 44 and 57.17 of the Environmental Protection Act [415 ILCS 5/44 and 57.17].

Further affiant sayeth not.

Signature:_____

Subscribed and sworn to before me the _____ day of _____, ____,

____Seal:

AFFIDAVIT

State of Illinois

County of Sangamon

I, the undersigned, ______, being first duly sworn upon my oath, do hereby depose and state as follows:

I am an authorized agent of Prairie Analytical Systems, Inc.

The following activity has been completed at Stock's Underhood Specialists, Inc., 321 Centreville Avenue, Belleville, Illinois:

Laboratory analysis of one sample each of flash point, TCLP, Lead TCLP, pH, paint filter by persons directly employed by Prairie Analytical Systems, Inc.

I have personal knowledge of invoice #1402412 for the sum of \$185.77, and it has been paid in full. I further attest that no discounts, price reduction, give backs, or rebates of any kind were or will be issued to any party regarding the payment of this invoice.

I am aware there are significant penalties for submitted false statements or representations to the Illinois EPA, including but not limited to fines, imprisonment, or both as provided in Sections 44 and 57.17 of the Environmental Protection Act [415 ILCS 5/44 and 57.17].

Further affiant sayeth not.

Signature:

Subscribed and sworn to before me the _____ day of _____, ____

Seal:

AFFIDAVIT

State of Illinois

County of Sangamon

I, the undersigned, ______, being first duly sworn upon my oath, do hereby depose and state as follows:

I am an authorized agent of Waste Management - Milam RDF

The following activity has been completed at Stock's Underhood Specialists, Inc., 321 Centreville Avenue, Belleville, Illinois:

Soil Disposal services of 9037 tons of contaminated soil at a solid waste landfill by persons directly employed by Waste Management – Milam RDF

I have personal knowledge of invoice #0034503-2056-3 for the sum of \$1,265.18, and it has been paid in full. I further attest that no discounts, price reduction, give backs, or rebates of any kind were or will be issued to any party regarding the payment of this invoice.

I am aware there are significant penalties for submitted false statements or representations to the Illinois EPA, including but not limited to fines, imprisonment, or both as provided in Sections 44 and 57.17 of the Environmental Protection Act [415 ILCS 5/44 and 57.17].

Further affiant sayeth not.

Signature:

Subscribed and sworn to before me the _____ day of _____, ___

Seal:

AFFIDAVIT

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State	of Illinois
Count	y of Sangamon
	undersigned,, being first duly sworn ny oath, do hereby depose and state as follows:
	I am an authorized agent of Gateway Sand & Gravel Ltd.
	The following activity has been completed at Stock's Underhood Specialists, Inc., 321 Centreville Avenue, Belleville, Illinois:
	Soil remediation services for the purchase of 57.65 tons of fill sand by persons directly employed by Gateway Sand & Gravel Ltd.
	I have personal knowledge of invoice dated August 1, 2014 for services on July 17, 2014 for the sum of \$231.01, and it has been paid in full. I further attest that no discounts, price reduction, give backs, or rebates of any kind were or will be issued to any party regarding the payment of this invoice.
	I am aware there are significant penalties for submitted false statements or representations to the Illinois EPA, including but not limited to fines, imprisonment, or both as provided in Sections 44 and 57.17 of the Environmental Protection Act [415 ILCS 5/44 and 57.17].
Furthe	r affiant sayeth not.
Signatu	are:
Subscri	ibed and sworn to before me the day of,,
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Appeal Rights

An underground storage tank owner or operator may appeal this final decision to the Illinois Pollution Control Board pursuant to Sections 40 and 57.7(c)(4) of the Act by filing a petition for a hearing within 35 days after the date of issuance of the final decision. However, the 35-day period may be extended for a period of time not to exceed 90 days by written notice from the owner or operator and the Illinois EPA within the initial 35-day appeal period. If the owner or operator wishes to receive a 90-day extension, a written request that includes a statement of the date the final decision was received, along with a copy of this decision, must be sent to the Illinois EPA as soon as possible.

For information regarding the filing of an appeal, please contact:

Dorothy Gunn, Clerk Illinois Pollution Control Board State of Illinois Center 100 West Randolph, Suite 11-500 Chicago, IL 60601 312/814-3620

For information regarding the filing of an extension, please contact:

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