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Good afternoon, Ms. Hunt:

In response to your inquiry, please note that the information the Board has concerning PCB 25-21 is available on the Board's "Clerk's Office On-Line" or "COOL" for this docket at [Case Details](#).

In addition, you might wish to direct your inquiry to the Assistant Attorney General of record for this case:

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Best regards,

Don Brown, Clerk

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Mr. Brown,

I plan to write a story regarding the settlement with Gould Transportation Services, Inc. (PCB No. 25-51), and I have some questions I'm hoping you can answer by the **evening of Tuesday, March 11**, so the information can be included in the story.

If you aren't the proper person to handle this inquiry, could you please forward this email to the

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proper contact?

My questions:

1. What is the cost of a General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit for Gould Transportation's facilities in Tuscola and Oakland?
2. It appears that Gould obtained the proper permits in August 2023 and December 2023, correct?
3. What led to the investigation regarding violations prior to obtaining the proper permits in 2023?
4. What incorrect claims did Gould make when applying for "No Exposure Certification"?
5. How much were the annual fees Gould paid for "No Exposure Certification"?
6. The settlement document (Point 2 on Page 6) states, "Respondent did not show due diligence in resolving the violations by failing to respond to either Violation Notices and failing to appear at the Notice of Intent to Pursue Legal Action meeting." When were the Violation Notices sent to Gould, and when was the meeting they failed to attend?

Thank you for your assistance.

Janice Hunt
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