

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

April 19, 2010



## **APPROVAL**

David M. Share
Director, Environmental Remediation
Olin Corporation
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RE:

275 Morse Street – Fill Evaluation Newhall Street Neighborhood Site

Hamden, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Share:

The Remediation Division of the Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse (the Department) has reviewed the letter report from Olin Corporation (Olin) dated March 29, 2010, titled "275 Morse Street – Fill Evaluation, Newhall Street Neighborhood, Hamden, Connecticut". The letter report was prepared by MACTEC Engineering and Consulting, Inc. on behalf of Olin, and in conjunction with Consent Order SRD-128, and the Department's verbal comments.

The letter report provides a summary of an additional subsurface investigation performed at 275 Morse Street (the Property), located within the Newhall Street Neighborhood (the site). Olin conducted the additional subsurface investigation for the purpose of confirming or denying the presence of waste fill in soil on the property. A previous investigation conducted on behalf of Olin in 2004 reported the presence of a bare spot in the lawn. Analytical results of a soil sample collected from that area at a shallow depth showed the presence of elevated concentrations of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and lead. Based on the observations and analytical results, the Department concluded that a shallow and isolated area of waste fill was present on the property. The property was subsequently identified in the October 2007 Remedy Selection Plan as having less than 4 feet of waste fill present, and remediation was proposed to remove the suspected area of shallow waste fill.

The additional subsurface investigation concludes that **historically deposited waste fill material is not present at the property.** The report also recommends that the property be removed from the list of properties to be remediated in the site.

The above referenced letter report is hereby approved. Waste fill is not present on the property. As such, soil remediation is no longer proposed for the property. The Department hereby removes the property from the list of properties to be remediated in the site.

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Nothing in this approval shall affect the Commissioner's authority to institute any proceeding, or take any action to prevent or abate pollution, to recover costs and natural resource damages, and to impose penalties for violations of law. If at any time the Commissioner determines that the approved actions have not fully characterized the extent and degree of pollution or have not successfully abated or prevented pollution, the Commissioner may institute any proceeding, or take any action to require further investigation or further action to prevent or abate pollution. This approval relates only to pollution or contamination identified in the above referenced letter report.

In addition, nothing in this approval shall relieve any person of his or her obligations under applicable federal, state and local law.

If you have any questions pertaining to this approval, please contact Raymond Frigon, Jr. of my staff at (860) 424-3797.

Sincerely.

Patrick F. Bowe

Director

Remediation Division

Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse

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