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Mr. John Whitley
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Madison, WI 53711

SUBJECT: Hazardous Waste Inspection and Change of Status

Dear Mr. Whitley:

On June 16, 2003 I inspected Best Cleaners of Madison located at 5704 Raymond Rd. in Madison. The purpose of my inspection was to evaluate compliance with Wisconsin's hazardous waste regulations, as specified in chs. NR 600 – 690, Wis. Adm. Code. Your facility was classified as a "small quantity generator"; however, in July of 2002 Best Cleaners replaced the perchloroethylene dry cleaning unit with a "GreenEarth" dry cleaning unit.

Based on the inspection, the manufacturer's literature, the material safety data sheets and your laboratory test data, the Department is changing your facility status to a "non-generator" of hazardous waste. As we discussed, your still bottoms can be sent to a licensed solid waste landfill. You should check with your solid waste service to see if the liquid content of the still bottoms is a problem (landfills are prohibited from disposing of free liquids). If the liquid content is too high, you may be able to add absorbent material, such as lint, to reduce the liquid content, or, the solid waste handler could use a licensed "solidification process" to allow for proper disposal.

I want to take this opportunity to commend Best Cleaners of Madison for choosing to change your dry cleaning process to a new system that does not generate hazardous waste.

If you have any questions on this letter or the attached information please contact me at (608) 275-3324 or Mark.Harder@dnr.state.wi.us.

Sincerely,

Mark Harder, P.E.
Waste Management Engineer
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