



Pennsylvania
Department of Environmental Protection

June 12, 2026

Sharon Wenhold
3505 Ridge Pike
Collegeville, PA 19426

Via email at: judy.zona@verizon.com

Re: eFACTS Primary Facility No. 892912
182 GRAVEL PK
Perkiomen Township
Montgomery County

Dear Sharon Wenhold:

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) received notification of a release from Environmental Maintenance that was discovered on April 28, 2026. Under DEP regulations, the responsible party is obligated to report contamination; clean up the contamination to an Act 2 standard; and provide cleanup documentation to DEP.

Information in Attachment 1 is meant to provide guidance and details to help you understand the DEP regulations and manage your cleanup effectively. We recommend that you proceed with your cleanup in a timely fashion using one of the reporting options described in Attachment 1, item number 2. Please remember that failure to address the release may subject you to enforcement under the provisions of the Clean Streams Law, 25 Pa. Code Section 91.33 or Solid Waste Management Act, 35 P.S. Section 6018.610(1).

By copy of this letter we are also asking the municipality to notify any residents who could be impacted by this release.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Olivia Budnovitch by email at obudnovitc@pa.gov or by telephone at 484.250.5705.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Staron', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Richard Staron
Professional Geologist Manager
Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields

Attachment

cc: Perkiomen Township
Olivia Budnovitch, DEP
OnBase: Storage Tanks/907 jmc

ATTACHMENT 1

1. INITIAL CLEANUP ACTIVITIES

Actions taken promptly to contain and remove contamination after first discovering a release are vital. Effective interim actions may fully resolve a problem or reduce the severity of a problem making the site cleanup easier and less expensive. Some typical interim actions include:

- a. Determining if any private or public water supplies exist in the vicinity of the release and sampling these supplies for parameters associated with the substance released. If your release does impact private or public water supplies, you should immediately provide a temporary water supply for all affected users.
- b. Removing substances from all leaking tanks, containers or drums.
- c. Addressing hazards posed by vapors or free product.
- d. Excavation and disposal of contaminated soil unless the extent of contamination is so extensive that on-site treatment is considered more appropriate.
- e. Notifying all impacted municipalities and water users. Establish a level of communication with all parties to ensure public health and safety is protected.

2. FINAL CLEANUP DOCUMENTATION

To complete your cleanup, you have two options. The first option utilizes the DEP Land Recycling Program Act 2. Act 2 and the associated regulations provide a clear administrative process and contain cleanup standards for both soil and groundwater. When a party demonstrates attainment of these cleanup standards, Act 2 affords environmental liability protection to both present and future property owners. DEP recommends you consider the benefits of addressing a release by utilizing Act 2. If you choose this option and have questions or need assistance, you may contact a DEP case manager by calling 484.250.5960.

The second option involves completing needed cleanup to an Act 2 standard without following the Act 2 administrative process. This would require submitting cleanup documentation in the form of a Final Cleanup Report. DEP is not obligated to review or formally approve such submissions made outside the Act 2 process. Also, environmental liability protection is not afforded to sites where the Act 2 process is not followed.

Regardless of the option selected, sampling as described in Attachment 2 may adequately assess the site following a surface release or tank removal.

3. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Up to \$4000 in grants may be available for some non-regulated underground storage tank heating oil releases. Contact our Site Remediation Division at 717.787.0886 for information.

If you have an underground storage tank that has been registered with the DEP Storage Tank Program and opted to participate in the Pennsylvania Department of Insurance, Underground Storage Tank Indemnification Fund (USTIF), you may be eligible to obtain financial assistance. Claims must be reported to USTIF within 60 days after confirmation of the release or your coverage will be denied. USTIF may be reached at 717.787.0763 or 800.595.9887 (PA only) or e-mail ra-ustif@state.pa.us.

ATTACHMENT 2

Soil Sampling for Demonstration of Attainment in Heating Oil Tank Excavations §250.707(b)(B)

The following soil sampling may be accepted by DEP to demonstrate attainment of the Statewide Health Standard. The assessment for soils shall apply to each distinct area of contamination. An analysis shall be performed individually for each petroleum substance identified as being present at the site.

For sites not covered by the Storage Tank and Spill Prevention Act, including all sites being remediated under an NIR, samples shall be taken from the bottom and sidewalls of the excavation in a biased fashion that concentrates on areas where any remaining contamination above the Statewide health standard would most likely be found. The samples shall be taken from these suspect areas based on visual observation and the use of field instruments. If a sufficient number of samples have been collected from all suspect locations and the minimum number of samples has not been collected, or if there are no suspect areas, the locations to meet the minimum number of samples shall be based on a random procedure.

The number of sample points required in the excavation shall be determined in the following way:

- (I) For 250 cubic yards or less of excavated contaminated soil, five samples shall be collected.
- (II) For each additional 100 cubic yards of excavated contaminated soil, one sample shall be collected.
- (III) For excavations involving more than 1,000 cubic yards of contaminated soil, the remediator shall identify the number and locations of samples in a confirmatory sampling plan submitted to DEP. The remediator shall obtain DEP approval of the confirmatory sampling plan prior to conducting attainment sampling.
- (IV) Where water is encountered in the excavation and no obvious contamination is observed or indicated, soil samples collected just above the soil/water interface shall be equal to or less than the applicable Statewide health MSC determined by § 250.308(a)(2)(ii) (relating to soil-to-groundwater pathway numeric values).
- (V) Where water is encountered in the excavation and no obvious contamination is observed or indicated, a minimum of two samples shall be collected from the water surface in the excavation.
- (VI) For sites where there is a release to surface soils resulting in excavation of 50 cubic yards or less of contaminated soil, samples shall be collected as described in this clause, except that two samples shall be collected.

All sample results shall be equal to or less than the applicable Statewide Health MSC as determined using Tables 1—4 and 6 in Appendix A in Chapter 250.