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Subject: Dunlap Fertilizer, United Western Coop, and Cogdill Farm Supply sites in Dunlap,

Iowa

Dear Sirs:

As you may recall, in May of 2008 each of you received a letter from the Department summarizing the assessments completed on each of your properties from 2007 to 2008 and requiring additional assessment on the Dunlap Fertilizer site owned by Crop Production Services (CPS). Since that time, an assessment has been completed at United Western Coop's (UWC) dry fertilizer building located at 105 South 1st Street and our local field office has been working with UWC to improve handling practices at this location. In addition, UWC and CPS have worked together to conduct a joint groundwater monitoring event which included sampling of monitoring wells on the Dunlap Fertilizer site, UWC's dry fertilizer building site, and UWC's property at 301 South 1st Street.

The Department initially requested the CPS and UWC submit a remedial strategy, which would likely consider plugging municipal wells #1 and #2, for review. However; based on the site information collected to date and the municipal well data from the active well field, there are concerns that the contamination is migrating vertically which have not yet been investigated. This also raises concerns that the Cogdill Farm Supply site, which is located at a higher elevation than the other dealership properties, may not have sampled groundwater at the same depth as the other property assessments and could have missed the highest concentrations of groundwater contamination onsite. Therefore, additional assessment is required at the following properties:

- Dunlap Fertilizer site, owned by CPS, located at 306 West Highway 37,
- UWC's dry fertilizer building site located at 105 South 1st Street,
- UWC's site located at 301 South 1st Street,
- Cogdill Farm Supply located at 119 North 1st Street, Dunlap.

As required by 567 Iowa Administrative Code (I.A.C.) Chapter 133.4(3)a, you are required to submit a site assessment work plan to the Department that includes, but is not limited to, a method to be used in identifying the vertical and horizontal extent of nitrate-nitrite nitrogen, ammonia nitrogen, and other potential contaminants from your operation (appropriate pesticides for example) in groundwater.

Please submit the site assessment work plans to the Department no later than April 30, 2010. An extension may be requested if additional time is required. Feel free to contact me with any questions at 515-281-4420 or by email at tami.rice@dnr.iowa.gov.

Sincerely,

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