



July 29, 2020

VIA E-MAIL

BRIAN HAINES
ESSENTIA PROTEIN SOLUTIONS
2425 SE OAK TREE COURT
ANKENY IA 50021

Re: Annual Groundwater Monitoring Results – May 2020, Essentia Protein Solutions (formerly Proliant) Facility, Harlan, Iowa dated July 14, 2020

Dear Mr. Haines:

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (Iowa DNR), Contaminated Sites Section, has reviewed the above referenced monitoring results submitted by LRE Water on behalf of Essentia Protein Solutions and has no comments or concerns, the monitoring results are accepted as written. At this time Iowa DNR, Contaminated Sites Section, has enough data to determine that no additional groundwater sampling is needed for the Essentia Protein Solutions Facility in Harlan, Iowa. Sampling shows no significant ongoing release from the facility and no further environmental assessment is required. This decision is only for the sampling required by and for the Contaminated Sites Section.

All monitoring wells not needed for other environmental monitoring programs shall be properly plugged as noted 567-Iowa Administrative Code (IAC)-39, *Requirements for Properly Plugging Abandoned Wells*. IDNR Form 542-1226, *Abandoned Water Well Plugging Record*, will need to be filled out as described in 567-IAC-39.6(2.) for each monitoring well and submitted to me. 567-IAC-39.5(4) requires wells to be properly plugged within 90 days of abandonment.

As noted in 455E.4, *Groundwater Protection Goal*, "the intent of the State (of Iowa) is to prevent contamination of groundwater from point and nonpoint sources of contamination to the maximum extent practical, and if necessary, to restore the groundwater to a potable state, regardless of present condition, use, or characteristics." Therefore, Essentia Protein Solutions shall continue to maintain all equipment in good working order to reduce the potential for equipment failure that could possibly lead to additional groundwater impact.

If you have any questions or need further information please feel free to call or e-mail at (515) 725-8371 or dan.cook@dnr.iowa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "D Cook".

Daniel Cook
Environmental Specialist Senior
Contaminated Sites Section

c: Roscoe Sopiwnik, LRE Water, 1861 Ashland Ave, Saint Paul, MN 55104 via email