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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
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April 13, 2016

Prestage Farms of Iowa, LLC  
Attn: Ben Crawford  
1421 South Bell Avenue  
Suite 107  
Ames, IA 50010

SUBJECT: Manure Spill at Prestage PI 261 Finisher Incident Investigation  
Incident No: 040716-ARM-1530 Facility ID No: 65575  
CMS No: 1063 Greene County

Dear Mr. Crawford:

At 3:30 pm on April 7, 2016, the Department of Natural Resources was notified of an approximate 5,000 gallon manure spill at the PI 261 Finisher confinement site located in the SE ¼ Section 27, Willow Township, Greene County. During manure application by Danner Custom Hauling, a manure spill occurred from the pump being used to pump manure from the below building pits. I conducted an investigation that day. A copy of this letter is also being sent to Danner Custom Hauling.

During the investigation, I observed manure pooled up on the property and in the roadside ditch. While a tile intake is located in the road side ditch, downgradient from the confinement, employees of Danner Custom Hauling dammed up portions of the ditch essentially diverting and containing the product in the ditch. No waters were impacted.

I required that all pooled up manure be pumped up and the impacted road ditch and shoulder of the road be excavated to site and smell. On April 11, 2016, I conducted a follow up inspection and determined that all manure had been properly removed and land applied. Photos of the investigation are attached to this letter.

Departmental Rule 567-131.2(455B) of the Iowa Administrative Code requires a written report to be submitted to this office within 30 days specifying the details of the incident. Attached you will find a reporting form that must be completed and returned to this office by **May 10, 2016**. Please submit a separate report documenting how you intend to prevent this type of an incident from occurring again.

For questions, please contact me via email at [alison.manz@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:alison.manz@dnr.iowa.gov) or by phone at (712) 250-0219 (cell).

Sincerely,

  
Alison Manz, Environmental Specialist  
Field Services and Compliance Bureau

Enc. Photos (5 pages) and 30 day written response

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CC: Elonda Bacon, DNR (email)  
Danner Custom Hauling, Attn: Joe Danner, 33226 250<sup>th</sup> St, Glidden, IA 51443  
Danner Applicator File and PI 261 Finisher File

**Suspense: May 10, 2016 - 30 day written response and AFO report to FO4 (Ch 131.2 and Ch 65)**



Photos obtained during investigation on April 7, 2016









Photos obtained during the follow up investigation on April 11, 2016







**Photos below and on the following page were taken during the clean up by the responsible party and provided to DNR FO4.**





