



# Maryland

## Department of the Environment

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March 29, 2018

Mr. Dwayne Stambaugh (Trustee)  
Stambaugh's, LLC  
Trustee and Project Manager  
222 South Springdale Road  
New Windsor MD 21776

**RE: REQUEST FOR WELL DATA**  
**Case No. 2007-0096-CL**  
**Administrative Consent Order OCP-081564**  
**Little George's Deli & Gas (Formerly Little George's Market)**  
**602 Deer Park Road, Westminster, Carroll County, Maryland**  
**Facility I.D. No. 9357**

Dear Mr. Stambaugh:

The Maryland Department of the Environment's (the Department) Oil Control Program recently completed a review of the case file for the above-referenced former gasoline station, including a letter from Mr. Sweeney's attorney, Clark Shaffer, dated February 9, 2018, and the *Monitored Natural Attenuation - November 2017 Sampling Event* report, dated January 5, 2018 (received February 14, 2018). In October 2007, the Department signed an *Administrative Consent Order* with the Responsible Party Group (RP Group) including: George's Deli and Gas; Mr. George Ader; Stambaugh's, LLC; Mr. Dwayne Stambaugh; Mr. Melvin Higgs; and Mr. and Ms. George and Patricia Mezardash. Mr. John Sweeney, owner of Countryside Developing LLC, was named as a Trustee of the Trust Fund and also signed the Consent Order in his capacity as Trustee.

Based on the February 9, 2018 letter, Mr. Sweeney's plans to redevelop property adjacent to the Little George's property into 12 to 14 lots will be abandoned. Mr. Sweeney intends to sell the remaining property as a single lot. The plan would result in a single house being placed on the property at a location outside of any likely contamination area. The Department requests that Mr. Sweeney provide detailed information regarding the revised plans for the property that will identify where the single home will be located, where the home's well will be located, and what the plans are for the water supply wells previously installed for the original development plans.

In order to evaluate the current status of potential receptors in the area of the release, the Department requires a current potable water supply well survey be performed and provided to the Department **no later than April 30, 2018**. The well survey must identify all drinking water supply wells (i.e. domestic, non-community/community water supply, agricultural), within a half-mile radius of the former Little George's Market property with the wells accurately plotted on a U.S. Geological Survey topographic map or a similar scaled map. Annotate on the map the 500-foot, 1,000-foot, and 0.5-mile radii. Provide a tabulated summary of all relevant well data, including: property owner, property address, well permit number, well installation date, total well depth, casing depth, screen depth, open borehole depth, and current operational and use status. Review well completion reports for these wells and evaluate whether on-site conditions could potentially impact any off-site drinking water supply wells in the area. Written documentation must be provided of your findings, which shall include a list of persons contacted to obtain the required information.

In addition to the well survey information, the Department requires a summary table of sampling results for all potable supply well sampling historically performed in association with this case. The well sampling summary must identify the sample location (address), sample date, and all volatile organic compounds detected above laboratory reporting limits. If laboratory reporting limits were elevated above regulatory standards due to required laboratory sample dilution, the finding shall be noted. The well data summary must be provided **no later than April 30, 2018.**

The Department will review the well survey and well sampling results data and try to provide a response prior to the June 2018 sampling event regarding the proposed reduction in groundwater sampling frequency. The Department will not make any decisions regarding Mr. Sweeney's development plans or a proposed reduction in well sampling until it receives and has a chance to review the data requested herein. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Matt Mueller at 410-537-3574 (email: [matthew.mueller@maryland.gov](mailto:matthew.mueller@maryland.gov)) or Ms. Ellen Jackson at 410-537-3482 (email: [ellen.jackson@maryland.gov](mailto:ellen.jackson@maryland.gov)).

Sincerely,



Ellen Jackson, Northern Region Supervisor  
Remediation Division  
Oil Control Program

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cc: Mr. Kevin Howard (Chesapeake GeoSciences, Inc.)  
Mr. John Sweeney (Sweeney Builders, Inc.)  
Ms. Catherine Ader (Current Property Owner/Operator)  
Ms. Patricia Mezardash (Former Property Owner/Operator)  
Mr. Melvin Higgs (Little George's Markets, Inc.)  
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