



June 29, 2021
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Mr. Joseph Scanlan
EGLE AQD
1504 West Washington Street
Marquette, Michigan 49855

Reference: Former Newberry State Hospital Facility – Violation Notice – June 8, 2021
SRN U482004132, SRN 482003378, U482004291, Luce County

Dear Mr. Scanlan:

My name is Christopher Kestner, I am the project manager for the abatement and demolition of various buildings at the former Newberry State Hospital Facility in Newberry Michigan. The following are the responses you requested from your June 8, 2021, letter:

Building 1 (SRN U482004132)

40 CFR 61.145 – Failure to thoroughly inspect.

40 CFR 61.145 (b)(4)(vi) – Failure to estimate the amount of RACM

Trained and accredited asbestos building inspectors from Materials Testing Consultants. Inc. were used on this project. Fifteen of the buildings at the former Newberry State Hospital were inspected by MTC for abatement and demolition. The six high priority buildings, Buildings 1, 5, 14, 35, 43 and 101 were dangerous to enter. They were going to be demolished as an “Ordered Demolition”. An asbestos survey report was given to me, performed by another asbestos consulting firm, by MDTMB which was used and passed on to the abatement contractors during the bidding process. During the Prebid meeting with the abatement/demolition contractors, the contractors stated that they could do the abatement prior to demolishing the building.

The violations have stopped. MTC is correcting the violation for the Ferguson Hospital (Building 1) by completely inspecting the building and taking additional samples. I am currently waiting for the sample results then put together a complete report for the building.

This situation will not happen again because MTC will not using any other asbestos consultant’s surveys.

40 CFR 61.145 (c)(1) – Failure to remove RACM

This regulation does not pertain to MTC.



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Building 14 (SRN U482004291)

40 CFR 61.145 – Failure to thoroughly inspect.

The violation has stopped. The building has been demolished. Bolle Contracting is sending all the asbestos material to the Class II Landfill in Dafter, Michigan.

This situation will not happen again because MTC will not using any other asbestos consultant's surveys.

Building 35 (SRN U482003378)

40 CFR 61.145 – Failure to thoroughly inspect

The violation has stopped. The building has been demolished. Bolle Contracting is sending all the asbestos material to the Class II Landfill in Dafter, Michigan.

This situation will not happen again because MTC will not using any other asbestos consultant's surveys.

40 CFR 61.145 (b)(2) – Failure to update notice.

This regulation does not pertain to MTC.

Should you have any questions or require additional assistance, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

MATERIALS TESTING CONSULTANTS, INC.

Christopher J. Kestner, C.I.E.
Project Manager

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cc: Mr. Jason Wolf