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Update on Highway 96 Dump Site Comments received during comment period

On February 19, 2008, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) issued a Proposed Plan setting forth the proposed remedial action to address ground water contamination on the west side of Gilfillan Lake at the Highway 96 Dump Superfund Site (Site). The MPCA, in a public notice published in the Shoreview Press on February 19, 2008, invited the public to comment on the proposed cleanup at the Site and notified the public that at the end of the public comment period the MPCA would review all comments and approve, reject, or modify the proposed remedy outlined in the MDD Amendment. The MPCA's proposed remedy in the draft MDD Amendment is New /Deeper Residential Wells if a Well Advisory is issued and continued Monitoring. During the comment period, which ended March 21, 2008, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) received letters or e-mails from 15 residents, the City of North Oaks, and Reynolds Metals Company and Whirlpool Corporation. The MPCA is reviewing these comments and if necessary, will revise the Proposed Plan and select a remedial action for the Site, which will be documented in the Minnesota Decision Document (MDD) Amendment.

As part of the process in preparing a MDD or amendment, The MPCA reviews each comment and/or question received during the public comment period and prepares appropriate responses, which will be addressed in the Responsiveness Summary Document attached to the MDD Amendment. Because several of the comments are similar, these comments will be combined and addressed as one comment. The Responsiveness Summary will address all comments. The MPCA will not issue personalized responses to the comments. At this time, the MPCA has not set a specific completion date for the Responsiveness Summary Document and MDD Amendment. However, the MPCA anticipates review may take at least one more month.

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