

### LAND USE OFFICE

# Canton, Connecticut INC. 1806

## 4 Market Street, Canton, Connecticut 06019

To: Canton Aquifer Protection Agency

From: Neil S. Pade AICP

**Aquifer Protection Agent** 

CC: Phillip Davidson, Registrant

Kim Czapla, CTDEEP Environmental Analyst 2, Aquifer Protection Area Program

Re: Inspection Report, Renewal Registration Request, Davidson Chevrolet

Date: September 30, 2014

**Inspection Location:** 156 Albany Turnpike, Davidson Chevrolet

**Inspection Date/ Time:** 9/30/14; 10:00 AM

In attendance:

Staff (Town): Roland Klee; Neil Pade

Staff (CTDEEP): Kim Czapla

Registrant Representatives: Mike Davidson; Don Rosenberg

#### **Registered Facility Uses:**

- A Underground storage of oil
- B Oil dispensing
- D Repair of engines/ Maintenance of vehicles
- G Washing of vehicles

#### **Inspection Notes:**

- o Floor drains in maintenance bays drain to underground tank with oil/water separator installed by Suburban Sanitation Service Inc (SSS) (Need documentation of last 2 statements indicating when it was emptied).
- o No vehicle washing occurs in repair bay (occurs in separate building elsewhere on site).
- o No spraying of engines.
- O Grate and screen covers last floor drain in maintenance area before connection to the oil-water separator. Upon removal of grate and screen it is evident material is "backed up" in the drain. Material has a distinct smell of oil mixed with sewage. Comment drains to be pumped dry, line feed and inspect where it goes. Concern of apparent oil/septic mix.
- Loose waste oil collectors (large trays on floor) contain waste oil and signs of oil on the floor against collectors. Comment – clean out trays with oil absorbent pads and dispose of properly.
- o Parts Washer #1 − clean.
- o Portable used 30 gallon oil collectors & gas collectors. Comment needs to be labeled.
- o Hydraulic lifts disconnected/ abandoned
- o Floor drain, center of west wall collects waste oil into 500 gallon UGST. Port to remove oil on exterior of building looks suspicious. Safety Clean is the licensed contactor.

- Comments Need to see records on occurrences of material removal. Staff to be notified next time it is pumped. Staff to be on site when next pumping/ removal occurs.
- o Floor drains for wash water/stormwater need a site plan showing where floor drains run to/confirm connection to oil-water separator on rear (south) side of building vs storm drain on front (north) side of building.

#### **Davidson Detail Bays**

- Car being washed and detailed over drain. Owner identifies this as a "Sand Drain". Sand in pit needs to be removed regularly by Russ's Septic out of New Hartford. Need to see paper work on removal.
- o Secondary floor drain runs to the sand drain.

Mr. Duff from SSS. appears at Registrant's request. Indicates new oil-water separators have been installed for both maintenance bays and detail bay approximately 3 years ago. Both now connect to Town sewer. Mr. Duff was advised of the oil/ septic smell coming from the maintenance bays drain. He said he would find out the problem and correct it.

Mechanic was questioned on use of floor drain that runs to the 500 gallon UGST for waste oil tank. He indicated that all collected oil (including those in the 30 gallon waste oil containers) are dumped routinely into the drain. Comment - have tank and port inspected to verify integrity. If tank is found to be compromised, replace it with an above ground tank. Registrant to verify age of tank.

Mr. Rosenberg provides records of pumping for 500 gallon waste oil UGST. Processed by Safety Clean on 9/19/14; 8/7/14, and 7/18/14.

#### **Summary:**

The following actions are requested of the Registrant prior to renewal –

- 1. Submit copy of Materials Management Plan required by Section 8(c)(2).
- 2. Submit copies of documents from SSS indicating floor drains run to oil-water separators connected to public sewer (including photos from line-feeds).
- 3. Submit documentation from SSS indicting floor drain showing signs of oil and sewer backup on southwest corner of the maintenance bay have been inspected, repaired, and are properly connected to oil-water separate and pubic sewer.
- 4. Submit documentation on last 2 occurrences (copies of bills/ statements) of the pumping/ emptying of the UGST connected to the oil-water separator and floor drains.
- 5. Waste oil trays to be cleaned with oil absorbent pads.
- 6. Oil and Gas collectors to be labeled.
- 7. Staff to be notified in advance of scheduled cleaning and inspection of 500 gallon waste oil UGST on west side of building. Staff to be present during emptying and inspection. If tank is found to be compromised it shall be replaced with an above ground storage tank.
- 8. Registrant to confirm age of 500 gallon waste oil UGST.
- 9. Copies of bills/ statements from Russ's Septic of New Hartford on last two occurrences of cleaning of "sand drain" in detail bay.



