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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

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Edmund Stryker PO Box 541 Fredonia, KS 66736

Subject: City of Fredonia Landfill Permit 157

Dear Mr. Stryker:

cc:

Recently, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment's (KDHE) Bureau of Environmental Remediation (BER) received information from the Bureau of Waste Management (BWM) regarding sanitary landfill permit 157 located north of the City of Fredonia. This letter is to update you on the status of the site located on your property.

The City of Fredonia was permitted to open a sanitary landfill March 17, 1976, although it had operated one since 1970. The landfill is located three miles north, one mile west, and 1/2 mile north of Fredonia (SE1/4, Sec. 22, T28S, R14E) on Gove Rd. The closure date was December 31, 1978. Since the landfill closed prior to 1992 and after 1978 landfill regulations, KAR 28-29-12 would apply to the site and require a 10-year period of post-closure care from the date of closure. KDHE also conducted a site inspection on July 23, 2002, and identified the following deficiencies: significant areas of settling overlying old landfill cells, multiple areas of ponding water, and minute amounts of trash exposed. KDHE considered the inspection unsatisfactory.

Due to an unsatisfactory site inspection and the date of closure, KDHE-BER does not consider this site properly closed nor does it consider the post-closure care fulfilled. Therefore, KDHE-BER is requesting that the City of Fredonia fill in the settled areas with cover material that will support grass growth, re-grade the site for drainage, and re-seed. KDHE will conduct a site inspection upon completion of the above request as well as one year from the site work's completion.

As the landowner of the above referenced landfill, you are the secondary responsible party. If the City of Fredonia cannot or will not complete the above request for work, the landowner is responsible for its completion.

KDHE thanks you for your cooperation during the site inspection. If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (785) 296-4367 or email me at lmcelwee@kdhe.state.ks.us.

Sincerely. Lauren McElwee, Environmental Geologist

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