Ben,

The OCD has denied the submitted Closure Report C-141 for incident # NCH1836251271 for the following reasons:

- Soil samples were collected from only 10 points within the excavation spanning an area of more than 75,000 square feet. Please see **19.15.29.12 D. Closure Requirements.** Each samples should not represent more than 200 square feet unless a sampling plan has already been submitted to and approved by the division.
- Sidewall samples were not collected to confirm the horizontal extents of the release were addressed.
- Depth to groundwater is not adequately identified. When nearby wells are used to determine depth to groundwater, **the wells should be no further than ½ mile away from the site, and data should be no more than 25 years old,** and well construction information should be provided. If evidence of ground water within a ½ mile radius of the site cannot be provided, impacted soils will need to meet Table 1 Closure Criteria for ground water at a depth of 50 feet or less.
- The Closure page for the C-141 was not included with the report.

Please review and make the required corrections prior to resubmitting through the fee portal.

Thanks,

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