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## Petroleum Tank Release Compensation (Petrofund) Board Regular Meeting

**Date:** Wednesday, 14 Jan 2026

**Time:** 10:30 AM

### Agenda

**A. Approval of NOV 19 2025 Petrofund Board Regular Meeting Minutes**

**B. Consideration of Appeal**

i. Lk 22305

ii. Lk 22225

iii. Lk 21732

**C. DEED Walk-through of Case/Process**

**D. Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Staff Report and Fund-Financed Summary Report**

**E. Minnesota Department of Commerce (Commerce) Staff Report and Fund Report**

### Next Petrofund Board Regular Meeting

Wednesday, March 11, 2026 – 10:30 AM

Minnesota Department of Commerce  
85 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, St. Paul, MN 55101  
Golden Rule Building, Summit Conference Room

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## **Petroleum Tank Release Compensation (Petrofund) Board Regular Meeting**

### **A. Approval of 19 NOV 2025 Petrofund Board Regular Meeting Minutes**



## Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Board Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: 19 November, 2025  
Location: Summit Conference Room, Golden Rule Building, 85 – 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, St. Paul, Minnesota  
Participants could also attend remotely in accordance with Minn. Stat. §13D.015.

### Board Members

#### Present

- Vice-Chair Sarah Larsen, Commissioner of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) designee (Acting CHAIR)
- Peter Bratsch, Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Commerce (Commerce) designee
- Julie Quinn, Public member representative (Virtual)

#### Not Present

- Chair Frank Orton, Petroleum industry representative.
- Charles Blixt, Experience in claims adjustment representative

### Call to Order

Ms. Larsen called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

### Introductions

Ms. Larsen reads the Remote Mtg opening statement.

### Approval of the September 17 , 2025 Board Regular Meeting Minutes

*Ms. Quinn made a motion to accept, Mr. Bratsch seconded, to approve the Sep 17, 2025 Board regular meeting minutes. The motion passed 3-0.*

### Consideration of Appeal for Lk# 22305 and 22225,

Mr. Hawks Notes that appeals for 22305 and 22225 will be postponed to January to allow Applicant to be able to attend. Board acknowledged and concurs.

## **Consideration of Appeal for Lk# 22234 Lockport Inc.**

Mr. Hawks provides a summary of the case and appeal. The appeal is related to MPCA Tank Regulation reductions of 15% regarding leak detection requirements. The applicant posits that the reduction is egregious due to the warnings having been addressed as they were given from MPCA.

The applicant provided background information. MPCA provides background information. Discussion occurred.

**Mr. Bratsch makes a motion to decrease the Penalty making it a 7.5% reduction for current and on-going work (from 15%). Ms. Quinn seconds the motion. The motion passes 2-1.**

## **Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Staff Report**

Ms. Kristen Lukes provides report for DEED as submitted. The Petrofund Board had minimal questions.

**Ms. Julie Quinn moves to accept the report provided. Mr. Bratsch seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.**

## **Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Staff Report and Fund-Financed Summary Report**

MPCA Program Administrator Amy Miller reports PRP is fully staffed. Ms. Miller reported that the MPCA had 1 report that was not actioned within the statutory requirement of 120 days. These were due email anomaly. Ms. Miller reports that for FY25 PRP had closed out all invoices and returned \$608,670 back to Dept of Commerce. For FY26 PRP had invoices totaling approximately 66.5% of the work order amount, but all work orders are complete. FY26 PRP has 64% of Work orders written for approved funds and 6% invoiced.

Mr. Bratsch brought up discussion regarding consultant performance report. He encouraged Consultants to check-in on their status on this form.

Mr. Weich reported that MPCA ER for FY25 closed out. For FY26 we are at \$508k encumbered and \$105,725 invoiced work orders written (6.5% of budget).

Mr. Weich spoke regarding the Swan Lake Property with massive excavation issues that is scheduled to cost in the vicinity of \$500k.

**Mr. Bratsch moved, Ms. Quinn seconded, to approve the MPCA staff report and fund-financed summary report. The motion passed 3-0.**

## Minnesota Department of Commerce Staff Report and Fund Report

Petrofund Director Scott Hawks notified the Board that Petrofund staff was reviewing initial and supplemental reimbursement applications within 60 and 120 days, respectively, as required by statute.

Mr. Hawks noted that as of 14 NOV, 2025, initial applications were being reviewed within **13 days** of their receipt and supplemental applications were being reviewed within **43 days** of their receipt

Mr. Hawks reported that the following number of applications had been received since his last report to the Board: **27** in SEP, **19** in OCT, and **6** so far in NOV for a total of **52** Applications. In that same time **85** applications have been processed for payment.

Mr. Hawks indicated that in FY2026, a total of 133 applications have been processed for payment for \$2,800,400.37. This number puts us ~50 applications and ~\$1.3 ahead of last year at the same time.

Mr. Hawks reports to the Board that as of 8 Sep 2025 the unencumbered balance of the Petrofund for FY2026 was **-\$7,839,262** and the cash balance was \$23,046,452. The Petrofund fee is currently turned on and collecting as of 1 SEP and will continue through 31 Dec 2025.

He reports the Abandoned Tank program did the following work in 2025

- 35 tanks were removed from 28 sites across the state.
- A total of \$460,172.35 was spent on projects completed in FY25.
- The average cost for each completed FY25 tank removal project was \$13,946.58.

*Ms. Larsen moved, Mr. Bratsch seconded, to approve the Commerce staff report and fund report. The motion passed 3-0.*

## Open Discussion

Mr. Hawks reports that the new Board Member will be named prior to the Jan Board meeting. Additionally confirming that if needed Julie would be able to serve additional meetings if needed.

## Adjournment

*Mr. Bratsch moved, Ms. Quinn seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 3-0.*

Ms. Larsen adjourned the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

Minutes prepared by: Petrofund Director Scott Hawks

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## **Petroleum Tank Release Compensation (Petrofund) Board Regular Meeting**

### **B. Consideration of Appeals**

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## **Petroleum Tank Release Compensation (Petrofund) Board Regular Meeting**

### **B.i. Consideration of Appeal LK# 22305**

## Petrofund Reimbursement Application Summary

File #:	22305	Pre-Approved Date:	9/9/25
Date Application Received:	8/11/25	Pre-Approved Amount:	\$8,127.26
Type of Application:	Initial	Board Approved Date:	
Type of Applicant:	RP	Board Approved Amount:	

### Applicant Information

C and B Warehouse Distributing, Inc. dba: Short Stop Convenience Stores  
 Box 1224  
 Virginia, MN 55792  
 Contact: Scott Dennie

### Leaksite Information

Hibbing Short Stop 1  
 2202 1<sup>st</sup> Ane  
 Hibbing, MN 55746

Multi-Party Check Name: N/A

Tank(s) Owned From:	<u>8/20/1989</u>	Date Leak Detected:	<u>8/7/2024</u>
Tank(s) Owned To:	<u>08/02/2024</u>	Date Leak Reported:	<u>10/01/2024</u>

Tank Information: See back of application summary.

Cost Category	Amount Requested	Amount Not Approved	Amount Approved
Excavation/Soil Disposal Oversight	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Limited Site Investigation	\$ 11,931.05	\$ 0	\$ 11,931.05
Contractor Services	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>Total Costs</b>	<b>\$ 11,931.05</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 11,931.05</b>

Total Eligible Costs	<u>\$ 11,931.05</u>
× Reimbursement Rate: 90% <u>X</u> or 100% <u>      </u>	<u>\$ 10,737.95</u>
Consultant and Contractor Bidding Reduction <u>      </u> %	<u>-\$      </u>
Unregistered Consultant and Contractor Reduction <u>      </u> %	<u>-\$      </u>
Notice of Release Reduction <u>      </u> %	<u>-\$1,000</u>
Tank Regulation Reduction <u>15</u> %	<u>-\$ 1,610.69</u>
Failure to Cooperate with the MPCA Reduction <u>      </u> %	<u>-\$      </u>
<b>Total Reimbursement</b>	<b><u>\$ 8,127.26</u></b>

Prior application reductions: NA  
 Total amount previously reimbursed: NA  
 Ongoing expenses (from application): NA

Item(s) being appealed: \$2,610.69

### Tank Information

<b>Tank Type</b>	<b>Contents</b>	<b>Capacity (gallons)</b>	<b>Date Installed</b>	<b>Date Removed</b>
STI-P3	Gasoline	6000	8/20/89	8/2/24
STI-P3	Diesel	6000	8/20/89	8/2/24
STI-P3	Gasoline	10000	8/20/89	8/2/24
				N/A
				N/A
				N/A

<sup>1</sup>Aboveground Storage Tank

**Date:** November 4, 2025  
**To:** Petrofund Board  
**From:** Riley Kenworthy, Petrofund Analyst  
**Subject:** Leak #22305 – C and B Warehouse Distributing, Inc, dba Short Stop Convenience Stores

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The applicant is appealing the following items from my letter dated September 9, 2025:

1. The \$1,000.00 reduction for failure to report a release to MPCA immediately upon discovery (pursuant to Minn. Rule 2890.0065, subp. 1b).
2. The 15% reduction (\$1,610.69) for failure to comply with leak detection requirements (pursuant to Minn. Rule 2890.0065, subp. 1a).

In accordance with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) *Commissioner's Site Report* and Minn. Rule 2890.0065, staff imposed a 15% reduction for failure to comply with leak detection and a \$1,000.00 reduction for failing to notify the MPCA immediately of the release. The details of the reduction are outlined on the *Commissioner's Site Report* and memo from the MPCA dated April 3, 2025.

The basis of the applicant's appeal is stated in Mr. David Troutwine's letter dated October 20, 2025.

Please note that this is the first time the 15% reduction was imposed.

For reference purposes, the following documents related to this application have been included in the meeting information packet:

- *Petrofund Reimbursement Application Summary*;
- Commerce staff memo;
- Commerce staff reimbursement determination letter;
- Applicant appeal letter;
- MPCA *Commissioner's Site Report*;
- MPCA staff memo;
- Site map.

Because the information provided by the applicant does not change staff's reimbursement determination, staff recommends reimbursement of \$8,127.26, which includes the items listed above in my letter dated September 9, 2025.



September 9, 2025

C and B Warehouse Distributing, Inc dba Short Stop Convenience Stores  
Attn: David Troutwine  
P.O. Box 1224  
Virginia, MN 55792

RE: Hibbing Short Stop 1 – Leak #22305

Dear Mr. Troutwine:

Your application for reimbursement received on August 11, 2025, has been reviewed by Petrofund staff. Reimbursement of \$8,127.26 has been approved for payment. A copy of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) *Commissioner's Site Report* is enclosed for your review.

Please note that you have three options available to you:

- **You may appeal the reimbursement determination. If you choose this option, you must file a written notice setting forth the specific basis for the appeal by November 8, 2025** (pursuant to Minn. Stat. §115C.12, subd. 1, which provides that the appeal must be made within 60 days of the date of this letter). Any additional information that clarifies or documents the specific basis for your appeal should also be included in your letter. If that information does not lead to a revised staff reimbursement determination, your application will be reviewed by the Petrofund Board at the **January 14, 2026**, Board meeting. The meeting will be held at the Department of Commerce, 85 Seventh Place East, St. Paul, MN. Signs posted at the Department will direct you to the meeting room. If you are unable to attend the meeting in person, you may participate by phone.
- **You may advise us in writing that you do not intend to appeal the amount approved for reimbursement.** In this case, your reimbursement will be issued approximately four to six weeks after we have received your written notice.
- **You may take no action.** If you choose this option, your reimbursement will be issued in approximately three months.

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September 9, 2025

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The amount approved for payment has been reduced as follows:

1. Minn. Rule 2890.0065 allows for the Petrofund to reduce an applicant's reimbursement for failure to report a release to the MPCA immediately upon discovery. Based on the recommendation made in the enclosed MPCA *Commissioner's Site Report*, a \$1,000.00 reduction has been imposed on the costs included in this application for failure to immediately report the release at this leaksite to the MPCA.
2. Minn. Rule 2890.0065 allows for the Petrofund to reduce an applicant's reimbursement for failure to comply with leak detection protection requirements applicable to the operation of petroleum storage tanks. Based on the recommendation made in the enclosed Minnesota Pollution Control Agency *Commissioner's Site Report*, a 15% reduction has been imposed on the costs included in this application for failure to comply with leak detection requirements. This reduction amounts to \$1,610.69.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 651-539-1745 or via e-mail at [riley.kenworthy@state.mn.us](mailto:riley.kenworthy@state.mn.us).

Sincerely,

*Riley Kenworthy*

Riley Kenworthy  
Petrofund Analyst

Enclosure

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**MEMO**

November 6, 2025

**To:** Petrofund Staff, Department of Commerce

**Thru:** Sarah Larsen, Manager  
Petroleum Remediation Program

**From:** Luis Allen, Project Manager  
Petroleum Remediation Program

**Phone:** 651-757-2018

**Site:** Hibbing Short Stop I, 2202 1st Ave, Hibbing, (St. Louis), MN 55746-1902

**Site ID:** LS0022305 Hibbing Short Stop I

**Date Department of Commerce received the application:** August 11, 2025

**Release Summary:**

The release was discovered on August 7, 2024, during the removal of underground storage tanks and was reported to the Minnesota Duty Officer on October 1, 2024. The Limited Site Investigation (LSI) report was submitted to the MPCA on June 24, 2025. Following review, the MPCA requested additional investigation work on October 3, 2025, to further assess potential vapor intrusion risks.

**RP Status:**

The responsible parties are C & B Warehouse Distribution Inc. (contact: Scott Dennie), and individual property owners David Frankson and Thomas Frankson.

**Tank Inspection Findings:**

A citation warning was issued on July 16, 2021, for non-compliance with leak detection requirements for the underground storage tanks.

**MPCA Recommendation:**

The MPCA recommends a reimbursement reduction of \$1,000 for the late reporting of the release, as well as a 15% reimbursement reduction for non-compliance with tank leak detection requirements.

Under Minnesota Statutes §§ 115C.065, 115.061, and 115C.02, both **the consultant** and **the responsible party** are required to notify the Minnesota Duty Officer immediately upon discovery of a release. The delay in reporting and the prior tank non-compliance constitutes violations under these statutes.

Enclosure/attachment notation: 2021 citation warning

**Date:** July 16, 2021

**Lead Program:** Underground Tanks

**Agency Interest ID#:** 113607

**Citation Warning ID#:** NON20210001

## Facility information

**Facility name, address, and contact person:**

 Hibbing Short Stop I  
 2202 1st Avenue  
 Hibbing, MN 55746-1902  
 County: St. Louis

Site phone number: 218-262-4671

**Regulated Party contact person and address:**

 Barbara Frankson  
 10900 Kabera Trail  
 Lakeville, MN 55044

Owner phone number:

## Citation warning information

This *Citation Warning* is being issued due to violations found during a Routine Inspection conducted on July 7, 2021. This warning allows you **60 days** to correct the violations listed below and submit corrective action documentation to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA). Failure to correct the violations within **60 days** will result in the issuance of a Field Citation imposing a monetary penalty. For further questions, contact the case lead listed. This *Citation Warning* is being issued to you pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 116.073.

**MPCA contact information:**
**Case Lead:** Jeffery Brandon

**Address:** 525 Lake Avenue South, Suite 400, Duluth, Minnesota 55802

**Phone:** 218-302-6610

**Email:** [jeffery.brandon@state.mn.us](mailto:jeffery.brandon@state.mn.us)
**Discovery method:** Routine Inspection

**Discovery date:** July 7, 2021

**Violations:**

	<b>Citation/Statute - Description of non-compliance</b>	<b>Number of violations</b>	<b>Total</b>
1.	Minn. R. 7150.0216. OPERATING, MAINTAINING, AND TESTING UST SYSTEMS. Subp. 2. Periodic operation and maintenance inspections. A. Owners and operators of a UST system must ensure the proper maintenance and operation of the UST system. At a minimum, owners and operators must conduct a monthly walk-through inspection of the UST system. During the inspection, the owners and operators must: (3) remove any liquid or debris from containment sumps used for interstitial monitoring and spill buckets;  Sumps/spills contain liquid and/or debris.	3 X \$250	\$750
2.	Minn. R. 7150.0216. OPERATING, MAINTAINING, AND TESTING UST SYSTEMS. Subp. 2. Periodic operation and maintenance inspections. A. Owners and operators of a UST system must ensure the proper maintenance and operation of the UST system. At a minimum, owners and operators must conduct a monthly walk-through inspection of the UST system. During the inspection, the owners and operators must: (4) remove any liquid or debris from sumps to allow the piping, pump head, and other appurtenances in the sump to be inspected;  Liquid or debris in sumps hindering visual inspection of piping, pump head, and/or other inspectable components.	2 X \$250	\$500

Citation/Statute - Description of non-compliance	Number of violations	Total
<p>3. Minn. R. 7150.0250. RESTORATION, CORRECTIVE ACTIONS, AND REQUIRED PERMANENT CLOSURE. Subp. 2. Repairs.</p> <p>A. Owners and operators must maintain a UST system according to the manufacturer's instructions. If instructions are not available, owners and operators must maintain the functions of a UST system as intended by the manufacturer or according to industry standards. Repairs must ensure that releases due to structural failures, equipment failures, or corrosion do not occur while storing regulated substances in a UST system or while operating the UST system.</p> <p>Tank system not maintained properly and/or inadequate repairs conducted.</p>	1 X \$250	\$250
<p>4. Minn. R. 7150.0300. RELEASE DETECTION. Subpart 1. General.</p> <p>With the exception of emergency generator tanks that must comply with parts 7150.0300 to 7150.0340 by October 13, 2020, owners and operators of UST systems must provide a method, or combination of methods, of release detection for tanks, piping, dispensers, and submersible pumps that:</p> <p>A. can detect a leak from any part of the tank and the connected underground 44.2 piping, dispensers, and submersible pumps that routinely contains product;</p> <p>B. is installed, calibrated, operated, and maintained according to the manufacturer's instructions, including routine maintenance and service checks for operability or running condition; and</p> <p>C. meets the performance standards in part 7150.0330 or 7150.0340. The performance of release detection equipment, as certified by an independent testing laboratory or a nationally recognized association, must be documented with written specifications supplied by the equipment manufacturer or installer. Methods of release detection for tanks and piping must be capable of detecting the leak rate or quantity specified for that method in parts 7150.0330 and 7150.0340.</p> <p>Release detection method not provided for the underground tank system.</p>	1 X \$250	\$250

**Maximum total amount (limited in statute): \$1,750**

## Corrective actions

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 116.073, the Regulated Party is required to correct all the violations listed in this *Citation Warning*. If you fail to correct the violations listed and submit proof of the corrections to the MPCA within **60 days** of receipt of this *Citation Warning*, the MPCA will issue a *Citation*, which will impose a monetary penalty.

1.	Remove debris from the spill buckets and dispose of properly. Submit documentation to the MPCA when completed.
2.	Remove dirt covering the STP's and dispose of properly. Visually inspect piping, pump heads, and other inspectable components. Submit documentation to the MPCA when completed.
3.	Replace the corroded diesel ATG junction box. Submit documentation to the MPCA when completed.
4.	Have an adequate form of release detection conducted on the regular underground tank system. Submit documentation to the MPCA when completed.

If the Regulated Party has any questions about the corrective actions required, contact the MPCA Case Lead above.

**Corrective action due date: 09/16/2021**

## **Kenworthy, Riley (She/Her/Hers) (COMM)**

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**From:** Russ Troutwine <Russ@short-stops.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 20, 2025 2:23 PM  
**To:** Kenworthy, Riley (She/Her/Hers) (COMM)  
**Subject:** appeal leak #22305

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Riley-

We want to appeal the reductions on Leak #22305. Let me know if this e-mail will work or if I need to submit a formal letter.

- Release Notification
  - Tanks were removed 8/2/2024, but we didn't receive the report from Braun until 10/1/2024. We reported it the day we received notification from them.
  - I would argue that we notified the state as soon as we found out there was a release. I realize that Braun had the information, but we were not notified by them until 10/1/2024
- Leak detection for tanks
  - We were given a couple of warnings for the inspection dated 7/21/2021.
  - The two citations for liquid/debris in sumps was cleared the next day.
  - I am not sure why we had the citation for inadequate tank leak detection. One of the probes on the tanks had gone out and we could not get it fixed. We had switched that tank over to SIR reporting.
  - The proposed financial penalties for these citations were rescinded because all of the issues were resolved.

Russ Troutwine  
C&B Warehouse Distributing, Inc  
Dba Short Stop Convenience Stores  
Box 1224  
Virginia, MN 55792  
[russ@short-stops.com](mailto:russ@short-stops.com)

**Minnesota Pollution Control Agency  
Commissioner's Site Report  
to the Petroleum Tank Release  
Compensation Board  
Date: September 2, 2025**

SEP 08 2025  
10:00 AM

**Site:** Hibbing Short Stop I

**MPCA Site ID:** LS0022305

**Applicant:** C and B Warehouse Distributing, Inc. Dba: Short Stop Convenience Stores

**Date Minnesota Department of Commerce Petrofund program received application:** August 11, 2025

**Region:** MPCA Northeast Region

## **1. Appropriateness of the corrective action**

As part of the application review process, the Minnesota Department of Commerce Petroleum Tank Release Cleanup Fund (Petrofund) will verify with Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) whether or not the corrective action described in the application was appropriate in terms of protecting public health, welfare, and the environment, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 115C.09, subd. 2a, item (d).

## **2. Compliance with applicable requirements: Inadequate**

Information readily available to the MPCA shows that the applicant has complied with the applicable requirements of Minn. Stat. § 115C.09, subd. 3(i), with the following exceptions:

### **Release notification**

The responsible party failed to notify the MPCA immediately of the release as required by Minn. Stat. § 115.061. The release was discovered on August 7, 2024, during tank removal, and it was reported on October 1, 2024.

Tanks removed 8/02/2024. PID readings from 8/07/2024 show petroleum impacts. Laboratory reports are dated 08/23/2024. The release was reported on 10/01/2024. Confirmed with the RP they leased the property through December 2024.

### *Reimbursement reduction:*

Based on the release notification failure noted above, the MPCA recommends a \$1,000 reduction in reimbursement in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 115C.09, subd. 3(i), and Minn. R. 2890.0065, subp. 1, item B.

### **Leak detection for tanks**

The applicant was not in compliance with leak detection requirements for tanks under state rules (Minn. R. 7150.0300--0340).

Leak detection for tanks was inadequate during the 2021 tank inspection.

**Reimbursement reduction:**

The MPCA may recommend a reduction in reimbursement by 15 % in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 115C.09, subd. 3(i), and Minn. R. 2890.0065 subp. 1, item A(2).

### **3. Conclusion**

**Reimbursement reduction recommendation summary:**

The MPCA recommends a \$1,000 reimbursement reduction for failure to notify of a release, and a total of 15 percent reimbursement reduction for tank violations in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 115C.09, subd. 3(i) and Minn. R. 2890.0065, subp. 1.

The statements in this report are made solely for the purpose of determining eligibility for reimbursement under Minn. Stat. § 115C.09. Nothing in this site report releases any person from liability, and the MPCA does not waive any of its authority to require additional corrective action at the above-referenced site or to enforce other provisions of state law.



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## MEMO

November 6, 2025

**To:** Petrofund Staff, Department of Commerce

**Thru:** Sarah Larsen, Manager  
Petroleum Remediation Program

**From:** Luis Allen, Project Manager  
Petroleum Remediation Program

**Phone:** 651-757-2018

**Site:** Hibbing Short Stop I, 2202 1st Ave, Hibbing, (St. Louis), MN 55746-1902

**Site ID:** LS0022305 Hibbing Short Stop I

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Enclosure/attachment notation: 2021 citation warning

**Date:** July 16, 2021**Lead Program:** Underground Tanks**Agency Interest ID#:** 113607**Citation Warning ID#:** NON20210001

## Facility information

**Facility name, address, and contact person:**

Hibbing Short Stop I  
2202 1st Avenue  
Hibbing, MN 55746-1902  
County: St. Louis

**Regulated Party contact person and address:**

Barbara Frankson  
10900 Kabera Trail  
Lakeville, MN 55044

Site phone number: 218-262-4671

Owner phone number:

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**MPCA contact information:**

**Case Lead:** Jeffery Brandon  
**Address:** 525 Lake Avenue South, Suite 400, Duluth, Minnesota 55802  
**Phone:** 218-302-6610  
**Email:** [jeffery.brandon@state.mn.us](mailto:jeffery.brandon@state.mn.us)

**Discovery method:** Routine Inspection  
**Discovery date:** July 7, 2021

**Violations:**

	<b>Citation/Statute - Description of non-compliance</b>	<b>Number of violations</b>	<b>Total</b>
1.	<p>Minn. R. 7150 0216. OPERATING, MAINTAINING, AND TESTING UST SYSTEMS. Subp. 2. Periodic operation and maintenance inspections.</p> <p>A. Owners and operators of a UST system must ensure the proper maintenance and operation of the UST system. At a minimum, owners and operators must conduct a monthly walk-through inspection of the UST system. During the inspection, the owners and operators must:</p> <p>(3) remove any liquid or debris from containment sumps used for interstitial monitoring and spill buckets;</p> <p>Sumps/spills contain liquid and/or debris.</p>	3 X \$250	\$750
2.	<p>Minn. R. 7150 0216. OPERATING, MAINTAINING, AND TESTING UST SYSTEMS. Subp. 2. Periodic operation and maintenance inspections.</p> <p>A. Owners and operators of a UST system must ensure the proper maintenance and operation of the UST system. At a minimum, owners and operators must conduct a monthly walk-through inspection of the UST system. During the inspection, the owners and operators must:</p> <p>(4) remove any liquid or debris from sumps to allow the piping, pump head, and other appurtenances in the sump to be inspected;</p> <p>Liquid or debris in sumps hindering visual inspection of piping, pump head, and/or other inspectable components.</p>	2 X \$250	\$500

	<b>Citation/Statute - Description of non-compliance</b>	<b>Number of violations</b>	<b>Total</b>
3.	<p>Minn. R. 7150 0250. RESTORATION, CORRECTIVE ACTIONS, AND REQUIRED PERMANENT CLOSURE. Subp. 2. Repairs.</p> <p>A. Owners and operators must maintain a UST system according to the manufacturer's instructions. If instructions are not available, owners and operators must maintain the functions of a UST system as intended by the manufacturer or according to industry standards. Repairs must ensure that releases due to structural failures, equipment failures, or corrosion do not occur while storing regulated substances in a UST system or while operating the UST system.</p> <p>Tank system not maintained properly and/or inadequate repairs conducted.</p>	1 X \$250	\$250
4.	<p>Minn. R. 7150 0300. RELEASE DETECTION. Subpart 1. General.</p> <p>With the exception of emergency generator tanks that must comply with parts 7150.0300 to 7150.0340 by October 13, 2020, owners and operators of UST systems must provide a method, or combination of methods, of release detection for tanks, piping, dispensers, and submersible pumps that:</p> <p>A. can detect a leak from any part of the tank and the connected underground 44.2 piping, dispensers, and submersible pumps that routinely contains product;</p> <p>B. is installed, calibrated, operated, and maintained according to the manufacturer's instructions, including routine maintenance and service checks for operability or running condition; and</p> <p>C. meets the performance standards in part 7150.0330 or 7150.0340. The performance of release detection equipment, as certified by an independent testing laboratory or a nationally recognized association, must be documented with written specifications supplied by the equipment manufacturer or installer. Methods of release detection for tanks and piping must be capable of detecting the leak rate or quantity specified for that method in parts 7150.0330 and 7150.0340.</p> <p>Release detection method not provided for the underground tank system.</p>	1 X \$250	\$250

**Maximum total amount (limited in statute):** \$1,750

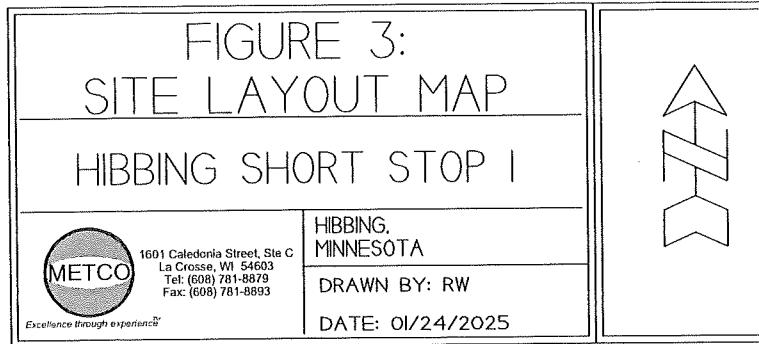
## Corrective actions

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 116.073, the Regulated Party is required to correct all the violations listed in this *Citation Warning*. If you fail to correct the violations listed and submit proof of the corrections to the MPCA within 60 days of receipt of this *Citation Warning*, the MPCA will issue a *Citation*, which will impose a monetary penalty.

1.	Remove debris from the spill buckets and dispose of properly. Submit documentation to the MPCA when completed.
2.	Remove dirt covering the STP's and dispose of properly. Visually inspect piping, pump heads, and other inspectable components. Submit documentation to the MPCA when completed.
3.	Replace the corroded diesel ATG junction box. Submit documentation to the MPCA when completed.
4.	Have an adequate form of release detection conducted on the regular underground tank system. Submit documentation to the MPCA when completed.

If the Regulated Party has any questions about the corrective actions required, contact the MPCA Case Lead above.

**Corrective action due date:** 09/16/2021



NOTE: INFORMATION BASED ON AVAILABLE DATA. ACTUAL CONDITIONS MAY DIFFER

GROUND SURFACE IS APPROXIMATED DUE TO HEAVY SNOW AND ICE COVER

● = UST CLOSURE SOIL SAMPLE LOCATION

✗ = GEOPROBE BORING LOCATION

ⓧ = SOIL VAPOR SAMPLING LOCATION

KEY TO REMOVED USTS

A = 10,000-GAL UNL GASOLINE (REMOVED 2024)

B = 6,000-GAL UNL GASOLINE (REMOVED 2024)

C = 6,000-GAL DIESEL (REMOVED 2024)

D = 2,000-GAL KEROSENE (REMOVED 2022)

— — — — — = PROPERTY LINE

..... = PHONE/FIBER OPTIC LINE

— — — — — = OVERHEAD UTILITIES

— — — — — = BURIED ELECTRIC LINE

— — — — — = WATER LINE

— — — — — = SANITARY SEWER LINE

— — — — — = STORM SEWER LINE

— — — — — = NATURAL GAS LINE

— — — — — = STEAM LINE

□ = LIGHT POLE

● = SEWER MANHOLE

■ = STORM DRAIN

① = UTILITY POLE

② = FIRE HYDRANT



**In Person Attendance:**

Minnesota Department of Commerce  
85 7th Place East, St. Paul, MN 55101  
Golden Rule Building, Summit Conference Room  
(Go to Front Desk on Skyway Level for escort to 5th Floor)

**Remote Attendance:**

This meeting can be attended remotely.  
Check the Petrofund website for more information:  
<https://mn.gov/commerce/business/petrofund/>



## **Petroleum Tank Release Compensation (Petrofund) Board Regular Meeting**

### **B.ii. Consideration of Appeal LK# 22225**

## Petrofund Reimbursement Application Summary

File #:	22225	Pre-Approved Date:	9/8/25
Date Application Received:	8/15/25	Pre-Approved Amount:	\$8,467.25
Type of Application:	Initial	Board Approved Date:	
Type of Applicant:	RP	Board Approved Amount:	

### Applicant Information

C and B Warehouse Distributing, Inc. dba: Short Stop Convenience Stores  
 Box 1224  
 Virginia, MN 55792  
 Contact: Scott Dennie

### Leaksite Information

Hibbing Short Stop 1  
 1605 East 40<sup>th</sup> Street  
 Hibbing, MN 55746

Multi-Party Check Name: N/A

Tank(s) Owned From:	1989	Date Leak Detected:	6/19/2024
Tank(s) Owned To:	Present	Date Leak Reported:	6/20/2024

Tank Information: See back of application summary.

Cost Category	Amount Requested	Amount Not Approved	Amount Approved
Excavation/Soil Disposal Oversight	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Limited Site Investigation	\$ 11,531.25	\$462.95	\$11,068.30
Contractor Services			
<b>Total Costs</b>	<b>\$ 11,531.25</b>	<b>\$462.95</b>	<b>\$ 11,068.30</b>

Total Eligible Costs	\$ 11,068.30
× Reimbursement Rate: 90% <u>X</u> or 100% <u>  </u>	\$ 9,961.47
Consultant and Contractor Bidding Reduction <u>  </u> %	-\$ <u>  </u>
Unregistered Consultant and Contractor Reduction <u>  </u> %	-\$ <u>  </u>
Notice of Release Reduction <u>  </u>	-\$ <u>  </u>
Tank Regulation Reduction <u>15</u> %	-\$ <u>1,494.22</u>
Failure to Cooperate with the MPCA Reduction <u>  </u> %	-\$ <u>  </u>
<b>Total Reimbursement</b>	<b>\$ 8,467.25</b>

Prior application reductions:	<u>NA</u>
Total amount previously reimbursed:	<u>NA</u>
Ongoing expenses (from application):	<u>NA</u>

Item(s) being appealed:	<u>\$1,494.22</u>
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## Tank Information

Tank Type	Contents	Capacity (gallons)	Date Installed	Date Removed
STI-P3	Gasoline	10000	9/1/89	N/A
STI-P3	Gasoline	8000	9/1/89	N/A
STI-P3	Diesel	6000	9/1/89	N/A
STI-P3	Diesel	4000	9/1/89	N/A
				N/A
				N/A

<sup>1</sup> Aboveground Storage Tank



**Date:** 11 November, 2025  
**To:** Petrofund Board  
**From:** Scott Hawks, Petrofund Director  
**Subject:** Leak #22225 – C and B Warehouse Distributing, Inc dba, Short Stop Convenience Store

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The applicant is appealing the following item from my letter dated September 9, 2025:

- 1. MPCA Reductions.** Minn. Rule 2890.0065 allows for the Petrofund to reduce an applicant's reimbursement for failure to comply with spill prevention requirements applicable to the operation of petroleum storage tanks. Based on the recommendation made in the enclosed Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Commissioner's Site Report, a 15% reduction has been imposed on the costs included in this application for failure to comply with leak detection requirements. This reduction amounts to **\$1,494.22**. A copy of the CSR is included in your determination letter.

The basis of the applicant's appeal is stated in Mr. Russ Troutwine's letter received 20 OCT 2025.

Mr. Troutwine indicates all MPCA issues were resolved immediately and should not result in a penalty being applied.

For reference purposes, the following documents related to this application have been included in the meeting information packet:

- *Petrofund Reimbursement Application Summary*;
- Commerce staff memo;
- Commerce staff reimbursement determination letter;
- Applicant appeal letter;
- *MPCA Commissioner's Site Report*;
- Site map.

Petrofund staff does not make any recommendation regarding MPCA reductions.

**MEMO**

DATE: November 6, 2025

TO: Petrofund Staff, Department of Commerce

THRU: Sarah Larsen, Manager  
Petroleum Remediation Program

FROM: Felix Ronkainen, Project Manager  
Petroleum Remediation Program (PRP)

PHONE: 651-757-2372

SITE: Hibbing Short Stop Express

SITE ID#: LS0022225

Date Commerce Received Application: 08/15/2025

**Release Summary:**

A petroleum release was discovered on June 19, 2024, during dispenser replacement activities and reported to the Minnesota Duty Officer on June 20, 2024. A Limited Site Investigation (LSI) report was submitted to the MPCA on April 8, 2025. Following review, the Site was referred to the MPCA Site Assessment Program and subsequently closed by the Petroleum Remediation Program on July 30, 2025.

**Responsible Party Status:**

C & B Warehouse Distributing, Inc. (Scott Dennie)  
Troutwine Investments Limited Partnership

**Tank Inspection Findings:**

The MPCA Tank Compliance Program (Tank Site ID# TS0011175) conducted multiple inspections at the facility. The following violations were documented:

- 03/27/2018: Citation warning issued for inadequate spill prevention and overfill protection.
- 04/05/2012: Citation warning issued for inadequate spill prevention and overfill protection.
- 2009 and 2005: Citation warnings issued for inadequate spill prevention.

Subsequent inspections in 2015, 2020, and 2023 found no violations.

**MPCA Recommendation:**

The MPCA recommends a 15% Petrofund reimbursement reduction due to the facility's repeated tank compliance violations, particularly the 2018 citation for inadequate spill and overfill protection. While recent inspections have shown compliance, the recurrence of prior violations demonstrates a pattern of noncompliance consistent with Petrofund reimbursement reduction criteria.

**Date:** March 23, 2018

**Lead Program:** Underground Tanks

**Agency Interest ID#:** 107124

**Citation Warning ID#:** NON20180001

## Facility information

**Facility name, address, and contact person:**

 Hibbing Short Stop Express  
 1605 E 40th  
 Hibbing, MN 55746  
 County: St. Louis

Site phone number: 218-262-6553

**Regulated Party contact person and address:**

 C & B Warehouse Distribution Inc  
 Attn: Scott Dennie  
 PO Box 1224  
 Virginia, MN 55792

Owner phone number: 218-750-0625

## Citation warning information

This Citation Warning is being issued due to violations found during a Routine Inspection conducted on March 22, 2018. This warning allows you **60 days** to correct the violations listed below and submit corrective action documentation to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA). Failure to correct the violations within **60 days** will result in the issuance of a Field Citation imposing a monetary penalty. For further questions, contact the case lead listed. This Citation Warning is being issued to you pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 116.073.

**MPCA contact information:**
**Case Lead:** Jeffery Brandon

**Address:** 525 Lake Avenue South Suite 400, Duluth, MN 55802

**Phone:** 218-302-6610

**Email:** jeffery.brandon@state.mn.us

**Discovery method:** Routine Inspection

**Date:** March 22, 2018

**Violations:**

	<b>Citation/Statute - Description of non-compliance</b>	<b>Number of violations</b>	<b>Total</b>
1	Minn. R. 7150 0100. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SYSTEMS. Subp. 13. Shear valves. All shear valves shall be securely anchored.	5 X \$50	\$250
2	Minn. R. 7150 0205. DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION. Subp. 5. Spill and overfill prevention equipment. A. Except as provided in item B, to prevent spilling and overfilling associated with product transfer to the underground storage tank system, owners and operators must use the following spill and overfill prevention equipment: (1) spill prevention equipment that will prevent release of product to the environment when the transfer hose is detached from the fill pipe, for example, a spill catchment basin; and	1 X \$250	\$250

**Maximum total amount (limited in statute):** **\$500**

## Corrective actions

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 116.073, the Regulated Party is required to correct all the violations listed in this Citation Warning. If you fail to correct the violations listed and submit proof of the corrections to the MPCA within **60 days** of receipt of this Citation Warning, the MPCA will issue a Citation, which will impose a monetary penalty.

1.	Properly secure shear valve anchors. Submit documentation to the MPCA when completed.
2.	Replace the cracked diesel spill bucket. Submit documentation to the MPCA when completed.

If the Regulated Party has any questions about the corrective actions required, contact the MPCA Case Lead above.

**Corrective action due date:** **05/30/2018**



**Minnesota Pollution Control Agency**  
520 Lafayette Road  
St. Paul, MN 55155-4194

# Storage Tank Facility

## Field Citation Warning

Inspection # 2

**Site:** 11175 - Hibbing Short Stop Express  
1605 E 40th  
Hibbing MN 55746

**Owner:** C & B WAREHOUSE DISTRIBUTION INC  
PO Box 1224  
Virginia MN 55792  
**Contact:** Scott Dennie

218-263-4361  
218-741-3103

This is a warning of pending Field Citation for violations of Storage Tank requirements relating to an inspection conducted on 05/12/2009 at the above listed facility. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has sufficient information to indicate that the Company has violated the following provisions of state statutes or rules:

<b>Rule/Statute</b>	<b>Violation Description</b>	<b>Corrective Action</b>	<b># Systems</b>	<b>Per Tank/Pipe</b>	<b>Penalty</b>
7150.0100 subp. 14	Drop tube does not extend to within 12" of the tank bottom.	Install drop tube that extends within 12" of the tank bottom. Submit documentation to MPCA upon completion.	4	X \$50.00 =	\$200.00
7150.0100 subp. 13	Shear valve anchors improperly installed or not installed.	Properly install shear valve anchors and submit documentation to MPCA when completed.	6	X \$50.00 =	\$300.00
7150.0300 subp. 7	Failure to maintain spill containment free of stormwater/debris.	Remove liquid/debris from spill containment. Submit documentation upon completion.	1	X \$250.00 =	\$250.00
<b>Subtotal (not to exceed \$2000.00):</b>					<b>\$500.00</b>
<b>Subtotal (not to exceed \$2000.00):</b>					<b>\$250.00</b>

A field citation in the amount of: **\$750.00** will be assessed if the corrective actions are not completed and sent to the MPCA by the due date.

**Notes:**

*Closed 7-14-09*

**Inspector:**

Jennifer Lopac  
651-757-2536  
jennifer.lopac@pca.state.mn.us  
MPCA St. Paul Office  
520 Lafayette Road N  
St. Paul MN 55155-4194

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Site # **11175**

County:

**CERTIFIED MAIL**

Jennifer Lopac

For: \_\_\_\_\_

Floor: **4**Mailed On: **18 MAY 2009** Citation Warning Field Citation Letter \_\_\_\_\_

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Mr. Scott Dennie  
 C & B Warehouse Distribution Inc.  
 P.O. Box 1224  
 Virginia, MN 55792

PS Form 3800, June, 2002

See Reverse for Instructions

**SENDER: COMPLETE THIS SECTION**

- Complete items 1, 2, and 3. Also complete item 4 if Restricted Delivery is desired.
- Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you.
- Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits.

1. Article Addressed to:

**11175****COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY**

A. Signature **Mr. Scott Dennie**  Agent  
 Addressee

B. Recipient by (Printed Name) **Mr. Scott Dennie** **5-209**

C. Date of Delivery

D. Is delivery address different from item 1?  Yes  
 If YES, enter delivery address below:  No

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PS Form 3811, February 2004	Domestic Return Receipt
102595-02-M-1540	
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Minnesota Pollution  
Control Agency

520 Lafayette Road  
St. Paul, MN 55155-4194

# Underground Storage Tanks

## Facility Inspection

Date: 15-12-09 Inspector: Jennifer Lopac

Site ID: 11175

### Site Information

Site name Hibbing Smart Stop Express GPS Coordinates: \_\_\_\_\_  
Site address 1605 E 40th \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact person Carol Mulner Site phone number 262-6553  
Owner Po Box 1224 Owner phone number \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner address Virginia 55792  
C & B Wheathouse Scott Dennie

### Tank Information

Tank #	Gallons	Product	Tank Material	Pipe Material
005	10,000	gas	Stl - P3	Steel
006	8,000	1	1	1
007	6,000		1	1
008	4,000	Diesel	1	1

### Sumps

Pump sump types? Dr Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pump sumps liquid tight?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pump sumps contain liquid?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sump sensor present? Working?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sumps inspected monthly?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
Disp. Sump types? Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
Disp. Sumps liquid tight?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
Disp. Sumps contain liquid?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
Shear valves secure?  Yes  No Comments: Need Anchoring  
Any leaks?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

### Tank Risers

Spill buckets in working condition?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
Spill buckets free of debris & liquids?  Yes  No Comments: Clean 1  
Drop tubes within 6in. of tank bottom?  Yes  No Comments: No Ductures

### Over Fill Devices

Type of overfill? Ball Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
Overfill device presences confirmed?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

### Vent Pipes

Vent pipes covered?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Vent pipes located properly?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Vapor recovery (metro region)?  Yes  No Comments: N/A

### Leak Detection for Tanks (TLD)

Type of TLD? ATG Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

TLD mfg. or supplier?  Yes  No Comments: -01 gph

TLD - how many gph? Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Freq. of TLD test? Daily Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Is adequate TLD being conducted?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Are proper stick readings taken?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Are tanks checked for water?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Are records being maintained?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Do results indicate a release?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

### Leak Detection for Piping

Type of pump system? \_\_\_\_\_ Comments: B&D

Type of LLD? \_\_\_\_\_ Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Is LLD tested at least annually?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Are LLD test results available?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Are lines precision tested annually?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Are line precision test results available?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

LLD used per Mfg. recommendations?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Suction check valve at dispenser?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

### Corrosion Protection (CP)

Type of CP installed? \_\_\_\_\_

Has CP been tested within past 3 years?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Is CP functioning properly?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

CP checked by inspector? Results?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Operator checking rectifier every 60 days?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Are CP Records available?  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

### Records Requested

Tank CP  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Pipe CP  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual LLD  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Line Precision  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Monthly Tank Leak Detection  Yes  No Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

Document of Overfill Device  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Tank Site Information  Yes  No Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

### Comments

will be fixing

CP Test  
line tests

① Spill bucket  
② Drop tubes  
③ Shear Valve Antors

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**Minnesota Pollution Control Agency**  
**Underground Storage Tank Field Citation Warning**

Site #: 11175

Facility Name Hibbing Short Stop Express Address 1605 E 40th St City Hibbing  
 Owner/Operator Name X & B Warehouse Distribution Inc Telephone 218-741-3103  
 Owner/Operator Address PO Box 1224 City Virginia Zip 55792

This is a warning of pending Field Citation for violations of Underground Storage Tank requirements relating to an inspection conducted on 10/24/05 at the above listed facility (the Company). The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has sufficient information to indicate that the Company has violated the following provisions of state statutes or rules.

Rule/Statute	Violation	# Systems	Per Tank/Pipe	Penalty
7150 0100 subp 7	Failure to install tank/piping per manufacturer instructions	x	\$50.00	=
<b>Sub-Total (not to exceed \$2000.00)</b>				<u>.00</u>

7150 0100 subp 6	Inadequate overfill prevention equipment	UREP117	x	\$100.00	=	
7150 0100 subp 6	Inadequate spill containment equipment	UREP116	x	\$100.00	=	<u>100</u>
7150 0210 subp 3	Cathodic protection test not conducted on tank	UREP096	x	\$250.00	=	
7150 0210 subp 3	Cathodic protection test not conducted on pipe	UREP113	x	\$250.00	=	
7150 0210 subp 4	60 day rectifier checks not done or recorded	UREP099	x	\$100.00	=	
<b>Sub-Total (not to exceed \$2000.00)</b>				<u>.00</u>		

7150 0300 subp 1	No leak detection method for tank	UTRD158	x	\$250.00	=	
7150 0310 A (1)	Failure to conduct tank tightness test	UTRD118	x	\$250.00	=	
7150 0310 A (1)	ATG not put in test mode each month	UTRD122	x	\$250.00	=	
7150 0310 A (1)	10 year limit for inventory control expired	UTRD070	x	\$250.00	=	
7150 0310 B (1) a	Failure to install automatic line leak detector	UPRD072	x	\$250.00	=	
7150 0310 B (1) b	Annual line tightness test not conducted	UPRD119	x	\$250.00	=	
7150 0330 A	Inventory data not reconciled monthly	UTRD159	x	\$250.00	=	
7150 0330 A (1)	Tank not gauged each operating day	UTRD080	x	\$250.00	=	
7150 0340 A	Annual line leak detector check not conducted	UPRD073	x	\$250.00	=	
<b>Sub-Total (not to exceed \$2000.00)</b>				<u>.00</u>		

		x	\$	=	
		x	\$	=	
<b>Sub-Total</b>				<u>.00</u>	

**IMPORTANT! A Field Citation in the Amount of \$ 100 .00 will be assessed if the following corrective actions are not completed and documentation sent to the MPCA by this date 12/24/05.**

<input type="checkbox"/> Conduct repairs as necessary to meet industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Install or repair overfill prevention equipment
<input type="checkbox"/> Install, repair and/or maintain spill containment	<input type="checkbox"/> Conduct cathodic protection test on tank & retain record
<input type="checkbox"/> Conduct cathodic protection test on piping and retain record	<input type="checkbox"/> Conduct 60 day rectifier checks and retain record
<input type="checkbox"/> Provide a leak detection method for tank	<input type="checkbox"/> Place ATG into test mode at least once per month per tank
<input type="checkbox"/> Conduct 3 <sup>rd</sup> party certified tightness test on tank	<input type="checkbox"/> Conduct line tightness test or monthly monitoring for piping
<input type="checkbox"/> Install line leak detector that can detect leak rate of 3 gal/hour	<input type="checkbox"/> Begin and continue to gauge tank each operating day
<input type="checkbox"/> Conduct annual function check on automatic line leak detector	<input type="checkbox"/> Use monthly monitoring to replace inventory control

Other Corrective Actions Required 1) Empty On-Road diesel spill bucket of product.

Please direct all questions and send all correspondence to:

Inspector Nate Blasmy Telephone # 218-723-4899  
 Office Address 525 S Lake Ave, Suite 400  
 City Duluth MN Zip Code 55802

**NOTE:** The issuance of this Citation Warning does not prevent additional enforcement actions from being taken if the listed corrective actions are not completed, or if similar violations occur in the future at this facility or another facility owned by the person(s) listed as owner above

Rule/Statute	Violations	Per Tank/Pipe
7150 0100 subp 3	Tank not designed/constructed by industry standards	50.00
7150.0100 subp 2	Tank is not properly designed to prevent corrosion	50.00
7150 0100 subp 2	Alternative corrosion protection system not designed properly	50.00
7150 0100 subp. 4	Piping is not properly designed to prevent corrosion	50.00
7150 0100 subp 4	Field installed CP system not designed by corrosion expert	50.00
7150 0100 subp. 4	Alternative corrosion protection system is not designed properly	50.00
7150 0100 subp. 6	Spill containment is inadequate or not functioning correctly	50.00
7150 0100 subp 6	Overfill prevention is inadequate or not functioning correctly	50.00
7150 0100 subp 6	Alternative spill/overfill prevention is not designed properly	50.00
7150 0100 subp 7	Tank/piping not installed according to manufacturer's instructions	50.00
7150 0100 subp 8	Failure to use a certified contractor	50.00
7150 0120 subp 1	Failure to provide 10 advance notice to install tank	50.00
7150.0120 subp 2	Failure to provide notification of change in tank status in 30 days	50.00
7150.0120 subp 6	Failure to notify purchaser of existence of UST on property	50.00

7150 0110 subp. 2	Failure to provide corrosion protection for an existing tank	500.00
7150 0110 subp 3	Failure to provide corrosion protection for existing piping	500.00
7150 0110 subp. 2	Failure to follow allowed upgrade methods for tank CP	500.00
7150 0110 subp 2 A	Failure to inspect lined tank within 10 year and/or 5 year period	250.00
7150 0110 subp 4	Failure to upgrade existing tank with spill containment	500.00
7150 0110 subp. 4	Failure to upgrade existing tank with overfill prevention equipment	500.00

7150 0200 subp 1	Failure to prevent a release due to spill or overfill	250.00
7150 0210 subp. 2	Failure to provide continuous corrosion protection on tank/piping	250.00
7150 0210 subp. 4	Failure to provide impressed current 60 day inspection	250.00
7150 0210 subp 5	Failure to retain results of last three 60 day rectifier inspections	250.00
7150 0210 subp 5	Failure to retain results of last two 6 month and/or 3 year CP tests	250.00
7150.0220	Failure to use tank made of materials compatible with product	250.00
7150.0230	Failure to use certified contractor to make repairs to tank system	250.00
7150.0230 D	Failure to test/inspect/monthly monitor repaired tank within 30 days	250.00
7150.0230 E	Failure to test CP system within 6 months of repair to CP system	250.00
7150.0230 F	Failure to keep record of repairs made to tank/piping for life of tank	250.00
7150 0240 A	Failure to report a suspected or actual release due to spill or overfill	250.00
7150 0240 A	Failure to notify the MPCA prior to permanently closing tank	250.00
7150 0240 B	Failure to maintain required tank system records	250.00
7150 0300 subp 5 C	Failure to use leak detection according to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Certification	250.00

7150 0320	REQUIREMENTS FOR HAZARDOUS MATERIAL USTS	250.00
7150 0350	Release Detection Recordkeeping	250.00

7150 0400 subp 2	Failure to properly secure temporarily closed tank	50.00
7150.0400 subp 4	Failure to permanently close out-of-service tank after 1 year	50.00
7150.0400 subp. 4	Failure to complete site assessment for tank closed more than 1 year	50.00
7150 0410 subp. 3	Failure to remove all liquids and sludge when closing tank	50.00
7150 0410 subp 4	Failure to conduct required site assessment following status change	50.00
7150 0410 subp 5	Failure to use a certified contractor to close regulated tank	50.00
7150 0410 subp 7	Failure to clean, properly handle and/or dispose of tank and contents	50.00
7150 0420	Failure to conduct site assessment when tank permanently closed	50.00
7150 0440	Failure to retain records of site assessment for at least 3 years	50.00

116 48 - 116 491	Notification and/or tank installers certification requirements	50.00
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**NOTE: Each of the boxes above represents a class of violations. The total citation amount for any one of these classes of violations cannot exceed \$2000.00.**



SEP 9, 2025

**C&B Warehouse Distributing, Inc**

**Attn: Scott Dennie**

**PO Box 1224**

**Virginia, MN 55792**

**RE: Hibbing Short Stop Express– Leak #22225**

**Dear Scott Dennie:**

**Information recently submitted by you and your consultant has enabled Petrofund staff to complete the review of your application for reimbursement received August 15, 2025. Reimbursement of \$8,467.25 has been approved for payment. A copy of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency *Commissioner's Site Report* is enclosed for your review.**

**Please note that you have three options available to you:**

- **You may appeal the reimbursement determination. If you choose this option, you must file a written notice setting forth the specific basis for the appeal by Nov 8, 2025 (pursuant to Minn. Stat. §115C.12, subd. 1, which provides that the appeal must be made within 60 days of the date of this letter). Any additional information that clarifies or documents the specific basis for your appeal should also be included in your letter. If that information does not lead to a revised staff reimbursement determination, your application will be reviewed by the Petrofund Board at the Jan 14, 2026 Board meeting. The meeting will be held at the Department of Commerce, 85 Seventh Place East, St. Paul, MN. Signs posted at the Department will direct you to the meeting room. If you are unable to attend the meeting in person, you may participate by phone.**
- **You may advise us in writing that you do not intend to appeal the amount approved for reimbursement. In this case, your reimbursement will be issued approximately four to six weeks after we have received your written notice.**
- **You may take no action. If you choose this option, your reimbursement will be issued in approximately three months.**

Your reimbursement request has been reduced as follows:

2. **MPCA Reductions.** Minn. Rule 2890.0065 allows for the Petrofund to reduce an applicant's reimbursement for failure to comply with spill prevention requirements applicable to the operation of petroleum storage tanks. Based on the recommendation made in the enclosed Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Commissioner's Site Report, a 15% reduction has been imposed on the costs included in this application for failure to comply with leak detection requirements. This reduction amounts to \$1,494.22. A copy of the CSR is included in your determination letter.
3. **COSTS Exceed Bid &/or Petrofund Maximum Costs:** As indicated in the table below, you have requested reimbursement for costs for some tasks that exceed the amounts that were proposed for them &/or exceed the maximum costs designated in Petrofund Rules. Because the reasonableness of the additional costs has not been documented with an explanation of how they resulted from circumstances that could not have been reasonably anticipated at the time the proposal was accepted {as required by Minn. Rule 2890.2100, subp. 1, (B)}, the additional costs have not been approved for reimbursement. This total Amounts to \$462.95

Task	Amount Requested	Amount Proposed	Difference
Agency status update	\$ 282.00	\$ 141.00 (Over Max)	\$ 141.00
Drilling Oversight	\$ 1344.00 (7 Borings)	\$ 768.00 (5 bore) (+\$460.00) 2 add'l Bore	\$ 116.00
Sample Shipping & Transport	\$ 105.20	\$ 0 (Over BID)	\$ 105.20
Nonspecific Admin	\$216.75	\$212.00 (Over MAX)	\$ 4.75
Water Well Receptor Survey	\$ 288.00	\$ 192.00 (Over BID)	\$ 96.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2235.95</b>	<b>\$ 1773.00</b>	<b>\$ 462.95</b>

If you have any questions, please contact me at 651-539-1783 or 800-638-0418 (outside the Twin Cities), or via e-mail at [scott.hawks@state.mn.us](mailto:scott.hawks@state.mn.us). The Petrofund fax number is 651-539-0103.

Sincerely,

Scott Hawks

Petrofund Director

Enclosure

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**From:** Russ Troutwine <[Russ@short-stops.com](mailto:Russ@short-stops.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 20, 2025 2:38 PM  
**To:** Hawks, Scott (He/Him/His) (COMM) <[Scott.Hawks@state.mn.us](mailto:Scott.Hawks@state.mn.us)>  
**Subject:** Leak #22225 appeal  
**Importance:** High

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Scott-

We would like to appeal the MPCA reduction on Leak #2225. We accept the COSTS Exceed Bid and/or Petrofund Maximum Costs reduction for this leak.

The MPCA reduction cited citation warnings on multiple dates going back to 2005. In all instances, the citations were resolved immediately and no monetary penalty was applied.

Russ Troutwine  
C&B Warehouse Distributing, Inc  
Dba Short Stop Convenience Stores  
Box 1224  
Virginia, MN 55792  
[russ@short-stops.com](mailto:russ@short-stops.com)

SEP 15 2025

**Minnesota Pollution Control Agency  
Commissioner's Site Report  
to the Petroleum Tank Release  
Compensation Board  
Date: September 8, 2025**

SEP 15 2025

**Site: Hibbing Short Stop Express**

**MPCA Site ID: LS0022225**

**Applicant: C & B Warehouse Distributing, Inc.**

**Date Minnesota Department of Commerce Petrofund program received application: August 15, 2025**

**Region: MPCA Northeast Region**

## **1. Appropriateness of the corrective action**

As part of the application review process, the Minnesota Department of Commerce Petroleum Tank Release Cleanup Fund (Petrofund) will verify with Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) whether or not the corrective action described in the application was appropriate in terms of protecting public health, welfare, and the environment, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 115C.09, subd. 2a, item (d).

## **2. Compliance with applicable requirements: Inadequate**

Information readily available to the MPCA shows that the applicant has complied with the applicable requirements of Minn. Stat. § 115C.09, subd. 3(i), with the following exceptions:

### **Spill prevention/overfill protection**

The applicant was not in compliance with spill/overfill protection requirements for tanks under state rules (Minn. R. 7150.0100, subp. 11).

*Spill prevention was inadequate during tank inspections for 2012 and 2018.*

### ***Reimbursement reduction:***

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency may recommend a reduction in reimbursement by 15 % in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 115C.09, subd. 3(i), and Minn. R. 2890.0065 subp. 1, item A(3).

## **3. Conclusion**

### **Reimbursement reduction recommendation summary:**

The MPCA recommends a total of 15 percent reimbursement reduction for tank violations in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 115C.09, subd. 3(i) and Minn. R. 2890.0065, subp. 1.

*Tank inspector comment: Citation warnings issued March 27, 2018, April 5, 2012, May 20, 2009, October 24, 2005.*

The statements in this report are made solely for the purpose of determining eligibility for reimbursement under Minn. Stat. § 115C.09. Nothing in this site report releases any person from liability, and the MPCA does not waive any of its authority to require additional corrective action at the above-referenced site or to enforce other provisions of state law.

**In Person Attendance:**

Minnesota Department of Commerce  
85 7th Place East, St. Paul, MN 55101  
Golden Rule Building, Summit Conference Room  
(Go to Front Desk on Skyway Level for escort to 5th Floor)

**Remote Attendance:**

This meeting can be attended remotely.  
Check the Petrofund website for more information:  
<https://mn.gov/commerce/business/petrofund/>



## **Petroleum Tank Release Compensation (Petrofund) Board Regular Meeting**

### **B.iii. Consideration of Appeal LK# 21732**

## Petrofund Reimbursement Application Summary

File #:	21732	Pre-Approved Date:	09/11/25
Date Application Received:	4/23/25	Pre-Approved Amount:	\$6,210.39
Type of Application:	Supplemental	Board Approved Date:	
Type of Applicant:	RP	Board Approved Amount:	

### Applicant Information

Steven B. Hudson, Greta J. Hudson, dba Steve's Corner Inc

1020 7<sup>th</sup> Ave S

St.James, MN 56081

Contact: Steve Hudson

### Leaksite Information

Steve's Corner Inc

1020 7<sup>th</sup> Ave S

St.James, MN 56081

Multi-Party Check Name: N/A

Tank(s) Owned From:	7/1/1994	Date Leak Detected:	7/15/2024
Tank(s) Owned To:	Present	Date Leak Reported:	7/16/2024

Tank Information: See back of application summary.

Cost Category	Amount Requested	Amount Not Approved	Amount Approved
Excavation/Soil Disposal Oversight	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Limited Site Investigation	\$ 11,494.30	\$3,276.15	\$8,218.15
Contractor Services			
<b>Total Costs</b>	<b>\$ 11,494.30</b>	<b>\$3,276.15</b>	<b>\$8,218.15</b>

Total Eligible Costs	\$ 8,218.15
Insurance (Fed Ex) reimbursement)	\$100.00
× Reimbursement Rate: 90% <u>X</u> or 100% <u>  </u>	\$ 7,306.34
Consultant and Contractor Bidding Reduction <u>  </u> %	-\$0
Unregistered Consultant and Contractor Reduction <u>  </u> %	-\$
Notice of Release Reduction <u>  </u>	-\$
Tank Regulation Reduction <u>15</u> %	-\$ 1,095.95
Failure to Cooperate with the MPCA Reduction <u>  </u> %	-\$
<b>Total Reimbursement</b>	<b>\$ 6,210.39</b>

Prior application reductions:	\$4,222.44 (15%- Leak, Corrosion, Spill/Over flow)
Total amount previously reimbursed:	\$23,927.18
Ongoing expenses (from application):	\$5,200.00

Item(s) being appealed:	\$3,276.15 (Duplicate costs related to additional FW event: 1 soil boring)
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## Tank Information

Tank Type	Contents	Capacity (gallons)	Date Installed	Date Removed
STI-P3	Gasoline	4000	7/25/91	N/A
STI-P3	Gasoline	12000	7/25/91	N/A
STI-P3	Gasoline	6000	7/25/91	N/A
STI-P3	Diesel	4000	7/25/91	N/A
				N/A
				N/A

<sup>1</sup> Aboveground Storage Tank

**Date:** November 18, 2025  
**To:** Petrofund Board  
**From:** Riley Kenworthy, Petrofund Analyst  
**Subject:** Leak #21732 – Steven B. Hudson, Greta J. Hudson, dba Steve's Corner Inc

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The applicant is appealing the following item from my letter dated September 11, 2025:

- 1. The costs associated with readvancing and resampling a soil boring that were not necessary for corrective action (totaling \$3,276.15).** Minn. Rule 2890.0200, subp. 1 provides that costs associated with actions that do not minimize, eliminate, or clean up a petroleum release to protect the public health and welfare or the environment are ineligible for reimbursement. You have requested a total of \$3,276.15 in costs associated with readvancing and resampling a soil boring due to the sample being lost in transit to the lab. Because readvancing and resampling the vapor boring was only required because the sample was lost, these costs have not been approved for reimbursement.

**Readvancing and resampling a soil boring that were not necessary for corrective action.**

1. Minn. Rule 2890.0200, subp. 1 provides that costs associated with actions that do not minimize, eliminate, or clean up a petroleum release to protect the public health and welfare or the environment are ineligible for reimbursement. Because the MPCA only required one vapor boring, and readvancing and resampling the vapor boring was only required because the sample was lost, staff recommends only approving the costs for one vapor boring (reduction amount totaling \$3,276.15).

The basis of the applicant's appeal is stated in the highlighted portion of Mr. Steve Hudson's email dated November 3, 2025. In addition, documentation of the effort METCO made to recover the costs from FedEx.

For reference purposes, the following documents related to this application have been included in the meeting information packet:

- *Petrofund Reimbursement Application Summary;*
- Commerce staff memo;
- Commerce staff reimbursement determination letter;
- Applicant appeal letter;
- FedEx communications;
- Site map.

Because the information provided by the applicant does not change staff's reimbursement determination, staff recommends reimbursement of \$6,210.39, which includes the item listed above in my letter dated September 11, 2025.



September 11, 2025

Steven B. Hudson, Greta J. Hudson, dba Steve's Corner Inc  
Attn: Steve Hudson  
1020 7<sup>th</sup> Ave S  
St. James, MN 56087

RE: Steve's Corner – Leak #21732

Dear Mr. Hudson:

Your application for reimbursement received on July 7, 2025, has been reviewed by Petrofund staff. Reimbursement of \$6,210.39 has been approved for payment.

Please note that you have three options available to you:

- **You may appeal the reimbursement determination. If you choose this option, you must file a written notice setting forth the specific basis for the appeal by November 10, 2025** (pursuant to Minn. Stat. §115C.12, subd. 1, which provides that the appeal must be made within 60 days of the date of this letter). Any additional information that clarifies or documents the specific basis for your appeal should also be included in your letter. If that information does not lead to a revised staff reimbursement determination, your application will be reviewed by the Petrofund Board at the **January 14, 2026**, Board meeting. The meeting will be held at the Department of Commerce, 85 Seventh Place East, St. Paul, MN. Signs posted at the Department will direct you to the meeting room. If you are unable to attend the meeting in person, you may participate by phone.
- **You may advise us in writing that you do not intend to appeal the amount approved for reimbursement.** In this case, your reimbursement will be issued approximately four to six weeks after we have received your written notice.
- **You may take no action.** If you choose this option, your reimbursement will be issued in approximately three months.

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Your reimbursement request has been reduced as follows:

- 1. The costs associated with readvancing and resampling a soil boring that were not necessary for corrective action (totaling \$3,276.15).** Minn. Rule 2890.0200, subp. 1 provides that costs associated with actions that do not minimize, eliminate, or clean up a petroleum release to protect the public health and welfare or the environment are ineligible for reimbursement. As the table below indicates, you have requested a total of \$3,276.15 in costs associated with readvancing and resampling a soil boring due to the sample being lost in transit to the lab. Because readvancing and resampling the vapor boring was only required because the sample was lost, these costs have not been approved for reimbursement.

METCO Invoice Number	Task Name	Person Performing the Task	Date	Amount
28232	Applicant status update	Dahl, E	3/3/2025	\$85.00
28232	Utility clearance	Dahl, E	3/12/2025	\$85.00
28232	Field work notification and scheduling	Dahl, E	3/12/2025	\$85.00
28232	Drilling oversight, field log prep, and soil sampling (<25 feet)	Wilmoth, R	3/18/2025	\$132.00
28232	Per diem	Wilmoth, R	3/18/2025	\$170.00
28232	PID	Wilmoth, R	3/18/2025	\$85.00
28232	Travel time	Wilmoth, R	3/18/2025	\$595.00
28232	Water level indicator	Wilmoth, R	3/18/2024	\$85.00
28232	Mileage	Wilmoth, R	3/18/2025	\$374.40
Range Drilling Invoice 8763	Geoprobe services	N/A	3/31/2025	\$1,579.75
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$3,276.15</b>

Steven B. Hudson, Greta J. Hudson, dba Steve's Corner Inc

September 11, 2025

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The amount approved for payment has been reduced as follows:

1. The 15% reduction imposed on your previous application for failure to comply with leak detection, corrosion protection, and spill prevention and overfill protection requirements has been carried over to this application (pursuant to Minn. Rule 2890.0065, subp. 4). This reduction amounts to \$1,095.95.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 651-539-1745 or via e-mail at [riley.kenworthy@state.mn.us](mailto:riley.kenworthy@state.mn.us).

Sincerely,

*Riley Kenworthy*

Riley Kenworthy  
Petrofund Analyst

Copy: METCO

## Kenworthy, Riley (She/Her/Hers) (COMM)

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**From:** Greta Hudson - Steve's Corner <stevescornerbp@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 5, 2025 12:29 PM  
**To:** Kenworthy, Riley (She/Her/Hers) (COMM)  
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**Subject:** Appeal  
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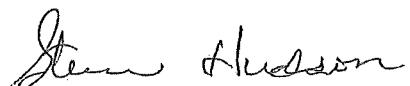
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November 5,2025

Steven B Hudson , dba Steve Corner Inc  
1020 7<sup>th</sup> Ave S  
St James MN 56081  
RE: Steve's Corner  
Leak # 21732

This is an appeal to the Petro Fund Board asking for reconsideration on the determination of the lost soil samples expenses.  
Thank you for considering our request in this matter.

Sincerely Steven B Hudson

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven B. Hudson". The signature is cursive and fluid, with "Steven" on the first line and "B. Hudson" on the second line.

## Kenworthy, Riley (She/Her/Hers) (COMM)

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**From:** Greta Hudson - Steve's Corner <stevescornerbp@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 3, 2025 1:29 PM  
**To:** Kenworthy, Riley (She/Her/Hers) (COMM)  
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**Subject:** re: regarding a lost sample  
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November 11, 2025

Riley Kenworthy  
Petrofund Analyst  
85 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, Suite 280  
Saint Paul, MN 55101

Dear Ms. Kenworthy,

This letter is in response to your letter dated 9/11/25 concerning the review of the Petrofund Claim for Steve's Corner – Leak #21732.

The letter states that \$3,276.15 has not been approved for reimbursement. Ron Anderson and I would like to provide some additional information as follows:

The samples that were collected were shipped via Fed Ex to Pace Labs. Unfortunately, the samples were lost by Fed Ex per plane rerouting due to a major snowstorm. This act of God was out of the hands of METCO and myself. Ron Anderson has seen situations in the past where such unforeseeable/unavoidable factors have resulted in similar remobilizations...including for weather and machinery breakdowns (geoprobe/drill rigs). In these unforeseeable/unavoidable situations, Petrofund has reimbursed the additional costs needed to collect the samples that the MPCA had required.

Since this situation was also unforeseeable/unavoidable, the MPCA absolutely required that this work be completed, and neither METCO or myself did anything to cause this issue, I would appreciate if Petrofund could please review this situation again and reconsider the eligibility of this work.

It should also be noted that upon finding out that the samples were lost, METCO immediately made major efforts to get Fed Ex to cover the \$3,276.15....but all they would reimburse is \$100. Thus, all possible efforts were to recover these costs.

I appreciate your time on this....If you have any questions or require further information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

*Steve Hudson*

Steve Hudson



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METCO  
 ATTN: Diana Symtczek  
 1601 Caledonia Street, Suite C  
 2nd Fl.  
 LA CROSSE, WI 54603-3605



April 7, 2025

Case #: C-185663119  
 Tracking/Pro #: 772808434240  
 Reference/Claimant #: STEVES CORNER  
 Ship/Received Date: 03/19/2025

Check Amount: \$100.00  
 Claim Amount: \$327,615.00 *#3,276.15*  
 Check #: 4601014

Hello FedEx Customer,

We value your business. Payment for final settlement of your claim has been submitted.

Our records indicate there was no declared value requested on this shipment. Therefore, maximum claim payment is \$100 per our Service Guide. Payment will be made via check or EFT depending on your account preferences. Delivery charges are reimbursed based on original method of payment.

To learn more about declared value, visit our website  
[at https://www.fedex.com/en-us/shipping/declared-value.html](https://www.fedex.com/en-us/shipping/declared-value.html)

We regret any inconvenience this issue has caused, and hope to be given the opportunity to better serve your future shipping needs.

Sincerely,



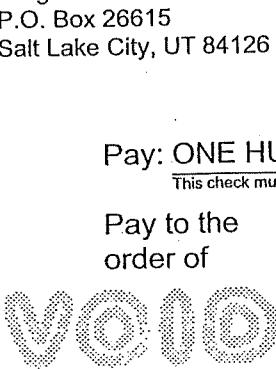
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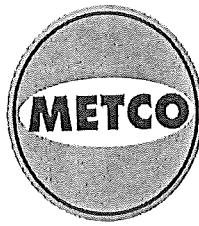
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 LA CROSSE, WI 54603

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Email: rona@metcofs.com ♦ [www.metcofs.com](http://www.metcofs.com)

On March 18, 2025, METCO and Range Environmental Drilling (Geoprobe) collected samples at Steves Corner per requirements of the MPCA.

The collected samples were then picked up by FedEx to be delivered to Pace Analytical laboratory in Green Bay, WI.

During a winter storm, FedEx lost the cooler of samples and asked us to submit a claim.

We submitted a claim to FedEx for \$3,276.15 which was for the Range Environmental Drilling invoice (\$1,579.75) and METCO's invoice (\$1,696.40). These costs were for the prep and field work to collect the samples.

On April 7, 2025, and April 9, 2025, FedEx claims department notified us via email that the maximum they could reimburse us was \$100.00.

Documentation has been attached to this reimbursement claim.

Tracking Number : 772808434240

Ship Date : Mar 19, 2025

Case Number : C-185663119

Claim Submitted : Apr 01, 2025

Claimant Type : Shipper

## Shipper

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6087818879

## Your Information

Diana Symitczek

METCO

1601 Caledonia Street, Suite C, 2nd Fl.

LA CROSSE, WI 54603

6087818879

dianajs@metcofs.com

Check the box to opt out of receiving an email confirmation for this claim

## Recipient

Dan Milewsky

Pace Analytical

1241 Bellevue St., \*\*\*\*

GREEN BAY, WI 54301

9204692436

## Shipment Information

Shipment not received - Not delivered

Claim Type

FedEx Express

Service Type

Number of Packages

1

Weight

53 lbs

Declared Value

## Claim Details

Item No.	Item Description	Unit Cost	Quantity	Total Cost
1	Field work and drilling for soil sampling	\$1.00	327615	\$327615.00
				Total Value of Item(s) \$327615.00
				Shipping Cost \$0.0
				Total Claim Amount \$327615.00

Customer Reference Number : Steves Corner

Currency Type : USD

Payment Type : Check

Commodities Section : None of the Above

## Packaging Information

## Additional Comments

# 3,276 <sup>15</sup>

## Photos and Proof of Value

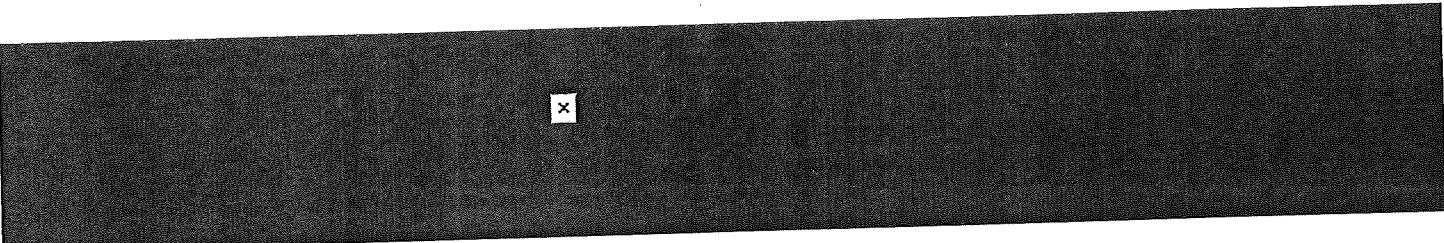
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Invoices for Steve's Corner on FedEx Claim.pdf

**Diana Symitczek**

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**From:** FedEx Case Reply <CaseReply@fedex.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 27, 2025 8:32 AM  
**To:** Diana Symitczek  
**Subject:** FedEx Support Ticket C-184865242 Ref-19851 for Tracking Number 772808434240



Hi Diana Symitczek,

Thanks for reaching out to us about support ticket C-184865242 Ref-19851.

After exhausting all search options, we haven't been able to locate this shipment. If your customer has not located the shipment and you need to file a claim, visit [fedex.com](http://fedex.com) and enter "file a claim" in the search box. This support ticket will be closed.

To track your shipment, visit [fedex.com](http://fedex.com).

The FedEx Team

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ID ENS 4605

## Diana Symitczek

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**Sent:** Tuesday, April 01, 2025 8:50 AM  
**To:** Diana Symitczek  
**Subject:** FedEx Claim Receipt -- Supporting Documents Needed (Tracking Number:772808434240)

Hello FedEx Customer,

Thank you for filing your claim online at <https://www.fedex.com/apps/onlineclaims>. We received your information and will begin our review process.

The tracking number, ship date and case number for your request is:

**Tracking Number :** 772808434240

**Ship date :**

**Case Number :** C-185663119

Thank you for shipping with FedEx. We appreciate your business and will continue to do our best to provide you with high-quality delivery services.

If you have any questions, please consult our Online resources for support.

Sincerely,

FedEx Cargo Claims

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Next step;

1. Thank you for submitting your request. We will contact you once we have processed your request.
2. Claims status updates will be communicated via email.
3. If you are not the shipper we will need a shipper waiver authorization letter on the shipper's company letterhead waiving their right to file a claim on this shipment with the applicable tracking number.

### Reference information

Please use the following information to reference your claim in future:

**Tracking Number :** 772808434240

**Ship Date :**

**Case Number :** C-185663119

**Please do not reply to this message.**

RANGE ENVIRONMENTAL DRILLING  
 2114 2nd Ave East  
 Hibbing, MN 55746  
 USA

Voice: 218-966-6054  
 Fax: 218-263-8159

# INVOICE

Invoice Number: 8763  
 Invoice Date: Mar 31, 2025  
 Page: 1

*Duplicate*

Bill To:	
Metco 1601 Caledonia St. Unit C La Crosse, WI 54603	

Ship to:	
Metco 1601 Caledonia St. Unit C La Crosse, WI 54603	

Customer ID	Customer PO	Payment Terms	
Metco		Net 30 Days	
Sales Rep ID	Airborne	Ship Date	Due Date

Quantity	Item	Description	Unit Price	Amount
2.00	Direct Push Probe	Direct Push Probe, \$/hr	200.00	400.00
15.00	Push Probe Sealing	Push Probe Sealing ft (15 ft)	0.25	3.75
1.00	Mobilization	Mobilization	904.00	904.00
1.00	Per Diem	Per Diem	195.00	195.00
1.00	MDH Form & Notificat	MDH Form & Notification Geoprobe services provided for the Steven's Corner St James additional LSI on March 18, 2025. Attn: Eric Dahl	77.00	77.00
Subtotal				1,579.75
Sales Tax				1,579.75
Total Invoice Amount				1,579.75
Payment/Credit Applied				1,579.75
TOTAL				1,579.75

Check/Credit Memo No:

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METCO

P.O. Box 448  
 Hillsboro, WI 54634  
 Phone: (608) 489-2198

## Invoice

Date	Invoice #
3/27/2025	28232

Bill To
Steve's Corner Inc Steven B. Hudson Greta J Hudson 1020 7th Ave. So. St. James, MN 56081

Site Info
Steve's Corner 1020 7th Ave. S. St. James, MN 56081 MPCA Leak #21732

Date	Qty.	Service Item	Description	Terms	Due Date	Account #	JOB TYPE	
					3/27/2025			
3/3/2025	1	Dahl, E - Hydro 1	Applicant status update			85.00	85.00	
3/12/2025	1	Dahl, E - Hydro 1	Utility clearance			85.00	85.00	
3/12/2025	1	Dahl, E - Hydro 1	Field work notification and scheduling			85.00	85.00	
3/18/2025	1	Wilmoth, R - Hydro 1	Drilling oversight, field log prep, and soil sampling (<25 feet)			132.00	132.00	
3/18/2025	7	Wilmoth, R - Hydro 1	Travel time			85.00	595.00	
3/18/2025	390	Wilmoth, R - Hydro 1	Vehicle mileage			0.96	374.40	
3/18/2025	1	Wilmoth, R - Hydro 1	Per diem			170.00	170.00	
3/18/2025	1	Wilmoth, R - Hydro 1	PID			85.00	85.00	
3/18/2025	1	Wilmoth, R - Hydro 1	Water Level Indicator			85.00	85.00	

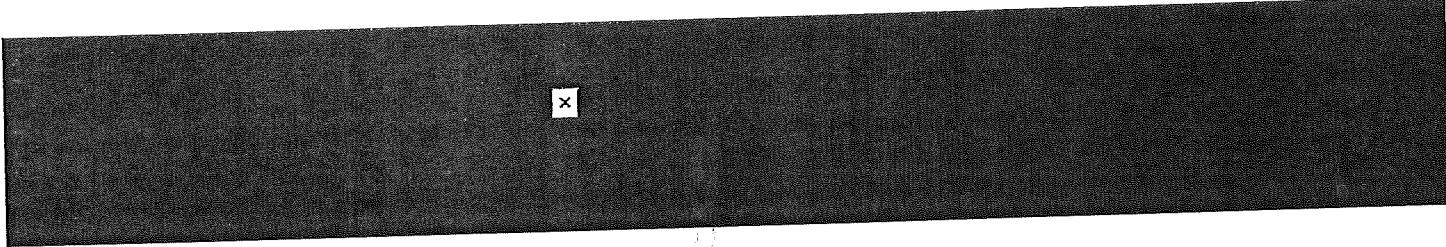
**Total** \$1,696.40

**Balance Due** \$1,696.40

**Diana Symitczek**

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**Sent:** Tuesday, April 01, 2025 9:04 AM  
**To:** Diana Symitczek  
**Subject:** Your FedEx Claims Status has been updated



April 01, 2025

Case #: C-185663119  
Tracking/Pro #: 772808434240  
Ship/Received Date: 03/19/2025  
Claim Amount: 327615~~00~~

Hello FedEx Customer,

We received your claim request for the shipment referenced above. We are actively investigating it, and we will update you with the status within 14 days. If you have any questions, please consult our online resources for support.

Want even more convenience for your claims? Sign up here online for electronic funds transfer (EFT) today!

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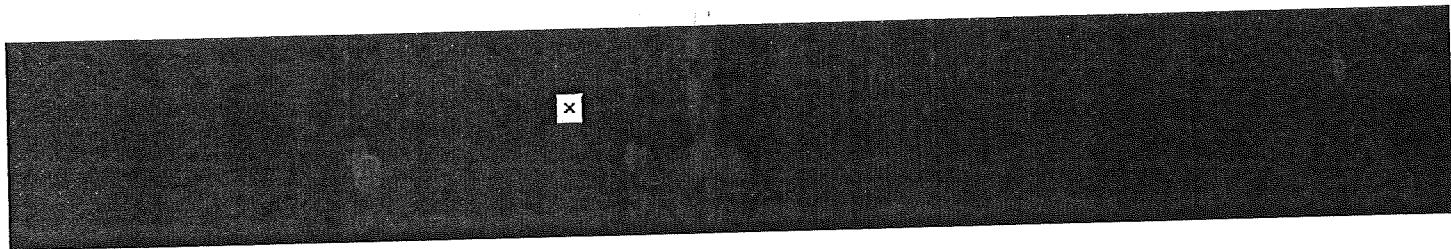
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800 463 3239  
Answer respond  
24 hrs

**From:** FedEx Claims Cargo <ClaimsUpdates@fedex.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2025 2:43 AM  
**To:** Diana Symitczek  
**Subject:** Your FedEx Claim has been approved!



Date: April 07, 2025

CASE #	C-185663119
TRACKING / PRO #	772808434240
REFERENCE / CLAIMANT #	STEVES CORNER
SHIP / RECEIVED DATE	03/19/2025
CHECK AMOUNT	\$100.00
CLAIM AMOUNT	\$3,276.15 \$327615.00
CHECK #	4601014

Hello FedEx Customer,

We value your business. Payment for final settlement of your claim has been submitted.

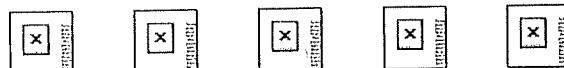
Our records indicate there was no declared value requested on this shipment. Therefore, maximum claim payment is \$100 per our Service Guide. Payment will be made via check or EFT depending on your account preferences. Delivery charges are reimbursed based on original method of payment.

To learn more about declared value, visit our website at <https://www.fedex.com/en-us/shipping/declared-value.html>

We regret any inconvenience this issue has caused, and hope to be given the opportunity to better serve your future shipping needs.

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## **Diana Symitczek**

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**Sent:** Wednesday, April 09, 2025 8:34 AM  
**To:** Diana Symitczek  
**Subject:** Fedex Claim 772808434240

Good morning. I am following up with you regarding your claim payment. We pay the declared value amount that was purchased at the time of shipment. We are not showing a declared value purchased. We paid the maximum liability of \$100.00 per our service guide. If you have a receipt showing that a declared value was purchased, please provide it and we will be happy to review. Thank you.

Angela Leach/Sr Cargo Claims Agent/Fedex/Office 800.463.3339/Fax 833.661.8072

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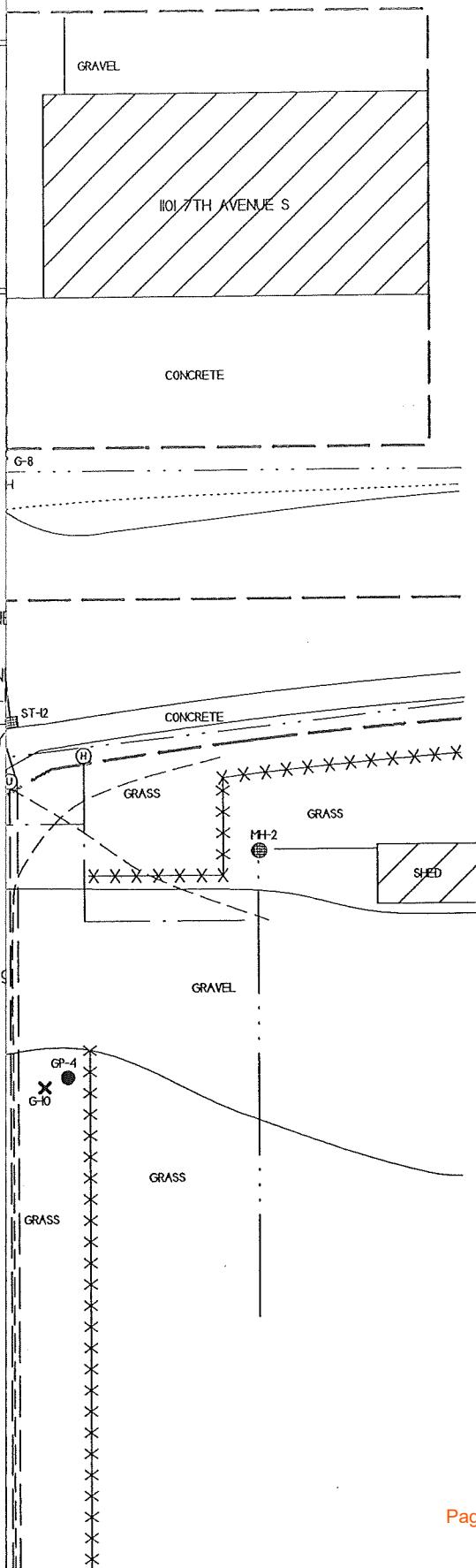
# FIGURE 3: SITE LAYOUT MAP

## STEVE'S CORNER

NOTE: INFORMATION BASED ON AVAILABLE  
DATA. ACTUAL CONDITIONS MAY DIFFER

SEE FIGURES 9a AND 9b FOR CROSS SECTION LINES A-A' AND B-B'.

SCALE:  
1 INCH - 40 FEET



**In Person Attendance:**

Minnesota Department of Commerce  
85 7th Place East, St. Paul, MN 55101  
Golden Rule Building, Summit Conference Room  
(Go to Front Desk on Skyway Level for escort to 5th Floor)

**Remote Attendance:**

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Check the Petrofund website for more information:  
<https://mn.gov/commerce/business/petrofund/>



## **Petroleum Tank Release Compensation (Petrofund) Board Regular Meeting**

### **C. Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Case/Process**

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85 7th Place East, St. Paul, MN 55101  
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## **Petroleum Tank Release Compensation (Petrofund) Board Regular Meeting**

### **D. Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Staff Report and Fund-Financed Summary Report**

DEPARTMENT: POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY

SF-00006-05 (4/86)  
STATE OF MINNESOTA

DATE: December 29, 2025

Office Memorandum

TO: Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Board  
Department of Commerce

FROM: Sarah Larsen, Manager  
Petroleum Remediation Program (PRP)

PHONE: (651) 757-2517

SUBJECT: FY26 Project List Report and Updates

### **FY2026 Project Work**

As of December 29, 2025, the MPCA PRP approved \$6,997,448 in work orders for FY26. Below are the requests the MPCA has made to the Petrofund this fiscal year for PRP and Emergency Response invoices received:

July 30, 2025 for \$500,000      October 22, 2025 for \$491,223      December 1, 2025 for \$493,254

Total: \$1,484,477

### **Fiscal Year Comparisons**

Below is a table that compares Fiscal Year 2025 and Fiscal Year 2026 in terms of work orders and invoices paid against approved Petrofund dollars.

PRP FY 25 vs. FY 26	PetroBoard Approved \$	Work Orders Written	Amount Invoiced
<b>PRP FY 2025 (7/1/24-12/23/2024)</b>	\$ 6,900,000	\$ 4,508,255	\$ 981,252
% of Approved \$		65.3%	14.2%
<b>PRP FY 2026 (7/1/25-12/29/2025)</b>	\$ 7,700,000	\$ 6,997,448	\$ 936,634
% of Approved \$		91%	12.5%

Since the November 2025 Petrofund meeting, there has been 2 additional site projects that encumbered greater than \$100,000 in project funds but were not listed on the May 2025 Petrofund Memo: LS0019823 Former TNT Gas & Deli; LS0021484 South Minnesota Oil Co. The 6 sites exceeding \$100,000 for the FY are identified in green on the FY2026 PRP Allotment Report.

Since, January 1, 2025 to December 29, 2025, PRP has completed review of 606 reports submitted for petroleum leaksite releases. Upon review of the reports, the MPCA determined that 92 (15%) could not be accepted or were rejected. The MPCA has completed 10 field audits in 2025, six audits (60%) reported errors. The Consultant Performance report is attached.

SL:am

Attachments:

FY2026 PRP Allotment Report  
Consultant Performance Report

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FY2026 PRP Allotment Report

12/29/2025

Site ID	Site name	City	Leak Site	Leak			Allocation Amount	Work Order Amount	Invoiced Amount	Lifetime spent
			Reported	Reopened	FF approved	FF closed				
LS0000131	Former Midtown Service Station	Paynesville	7/1/1985	1/26/1998	1/1/1998		\$41,000.00	\$94,432.25	\$8,276.83	\$2,765,242.28
LS0000167	Lyon's Pride	Forest Lake	4/14/1983	10/14/2020	10/19/2021		\$15,000.00	\$17,755.96	\$11,499.78	\$128,294.72
LS0000397	Dale's 66 & Off Sale, Inc.	Saint Michael	10/28/1987	8/20/2020	11/15/2024		\$30,000.00	\$86,614.68	\$13,323.32	\$13,323.32
LS0001419	Rock Creek Motor Stop & Cafe/Kutzke Oil Company, Inc.	Pine City	8/7/1989	12/4/2020	8/12/2021		\$10,000.00			\$59,138.77
LS0001741	Jerry's Texaco	Flensburg	8/24/1989		12/22/2008		\$1,305,000.00	\$1,311,053.02	\$15,883.09	\$897,423.48
LS0002173	Triangle Oil Co	Randall	12/4/1989	6/11/2021	10/3/2024	12/18/2025	\$10,000.00	\$3,086.44	\$3,028.20	\$47,347.29
LS0002609	Glacial Ridge Vet Clinic	Glenwood	5/31/1990	6/16/2022	12/6/2022		\$0.00	\$52,702.95	\$8,464.19	\$118,423.65
LS0002621	Engel Distributing Company, Inc.	Austin	4/15/1990	9/26/2023	10/17/2023	12/18/2025	\$13,000.00	\$16,957.48	\$14,543.71	\$616,705.15
LS0002821	Lundin Construction Co. of Cromwell	Cromwell	7/6/1990	12/14/2018	11/15/2024		\$40,000.00	\$53,888.76		\$40,412.23
LS0003801	Southside Quik Stop	Saint Stephen	2/14/1991	9/4/2013	1/29/2014		\$214,000.00	\$212,151.76	\$67,081.85	\$2,194,666.22
LS0003807	Town & Country Oil	Mora	2/15/1991		11/27/2012		\$230,000.00	\$279,611.57	\$51,761.02	\$2,114,379.33
LS0005053	Finlayson Coop	Finlayson	3/26/1992		11/1/2012		\$60,000.00	\$57,503.80	\$12,725.38	\$982,925.79
LS0005837	Jeff's Service	Greenbush	11/13/1992		10/24/2011		\$55,000.00	\$52,967.04	\$11,191.35	\$475,453.94
LS0007577	Service Oil Bulk Plant	Underwood	7/7/1994	2/10/2022	12/13/2024		\$25,000.00	\$32,260.47	\$11,415.50	\$36,629.87
LS0007635	Grub & Pub	Foley	7/13/1994		6/20/2002		\$120,000.00	\$95,916.86	\$8,468.92	\$1,574,614.98
LS0009293	C S Service Inc	Grand Marais	5/17/1996		6/12/2023		\$30,000.00	\$37,086.24	\$13,504.52	\$2,032,402.34
LS0009885	Dick's Phillips 66 Service	Willernie	1/3/1997	10/29/2004	12/21/2017		\$338,000.00	\$81,214.83	\$14,186.67	\$266,905.72
LS0011420	Polish Palace	Sobieski	6/16/1998		4/30/2007		\$72,000.00	\$142,806.88	\$4,418.58	\$1,848,356.38
LS0011948	Former Jerry's Phillips 66	Grand Rapids	10/20/1998	6/8/2022	12/13/2024		\$40,500.00	\$875.64	\$874.89	\$12,951.92
LS0012009	Four Corners	Detroit Lakes	10/28/1998		7/1/2007		\$0.00			\$269,783.44
LS0012435	Sturgeon River Landing	Side Lake	11/12/1998		12/11/2001		\$178,500.00	\$131,998.13	\$17,342.37	\$1,692,160.46
LS0012811	Blackduck Amoco	Blackduck	7/28/1999	11/29/2021	6/24/2022		\$12,500.00	\$13,543.72	\$5,644.15	\$102,951.23
LS0012970	Macs Inn	Detroit Lakes	9/20/1999		8/22/2001		\$50,000.00	\$66,656.86	\$7,799.56	\$1,202,906.58
LS0013173	Esselman Store	Sauk Rapids	12/2/1999		1/9/2017		\$298,000.00	\$152,289.39	\$39,336.08	\$1,033,391.37
LS0014494	Former Petes Garage or James Motor	Ely	10/8/2001	9/28/2020	9/28/2023		\$25,000.00	\$25,011.52		\$138,328.21
LS0015264	Corey Oil Company Inc	Lindstrom	6/10/2003		5/29/2025					
LS0015381	L & L Oil Company Bulk Plant	Crookston	7/17/2003	8/1/2019	11/25/2019		\$120,000.00	\$40,596.94	\$5,027.37	\$170,842.19
LS0016058	Jacobson Auto	Solway	4/15/2005		4/15/2005		\$30,000.00	\$30,622.82	\$12,138.80	\$1,336,016.06
LS0016813	Walgreens Store 10640	Albert Lea	5/3/2007		7/3/2025		\$50,000.00	\$84,587.25	\$29,034.36	\$29,034.36
LS0017341	City of Pipestone Ewert Rec Center	Pipestone	8/12/2008	6/2/2023	6/26/2023		\$57,200.00	\$49,306.49		\$147,688.79
LS0017515	Former Central Garage	Ham Lake	1/26/2009		7/5/2016		\$10,000.00			\$383,955.74
LS0017886	Java Detour/Former Gas Station	Rochester	2/1/2010		2/1/2016		\$69,000.00	\$19,880.44		\$296,948.48
LS0018150	Former Crane Lake Resort	Crane Lake	9/21/2010		12/4/2013		\$10,000.00	\$15,341.90		\$383,232.49
LS0018168	John's Service	Alvarado	10/8/2010		11/1/2012		\$82,000.00	\$42,901.01	\$8,861.14	\$281,125.34
LS0020613	Former Farmer's Union Oil Bulk Site	Alvarado	1/23/2015		4/2/2018					
LS0018447	Gibbons Residence	Grand Rapids	6/27/2011	8/20/2020	4/11/2025		\$80,000.00	\$78,180.26	\$40,002.34	\$40,002.34
LS0018516	Hi Yield Products	Hartland	8/31/2011		7/2/2025		\$40,000.00	\$40,915.61	\$22,270.27	\$22,270.27
LS0018832	Former Cherry Corner Store	Iron Junction	7/19/2012		5/16/2019	11/5/2025	\$0.00			\$107,751.88
LS0019066	Longville Bible Chapel	Longville	2/22/2013		12/3/2013		\$87,000.00	\$121,592.24		\$420,250.20

FY2026 PRP Allotment Report

12/29/2025

Site ID	Site name	City	Leak Site Reported	Leak Reopened	FF approved	FF closed	Allocation Amount	Work Order Amount	Invoiced Amount	Lifetime spent
LS0019264	Dalbo Foods	Dalbo	9/25/2013		8/16/2022		\$75,000.00	\$23,566.20		\$9,114.15
LS0019659	Exhaust Pros - Duluth	Duluth	9/19/2014		7/13/2016		\$18,000.00	\$24,124.82	\$4,847.48	\$141,457.60
LS0019679	Super Duper Store	Chisholm	8/7/2014		3/7/2025		\$15,000.00	\$58,255.42		\$20,940.14
LS0019762	Woody's Pump N Munch	Randolph	6/19/2014		6/17/2015		\$40,000.00	\$51,059.82	\$13,850.23	\$803,599.77
LS0019798	Osmundson Brothers Facility	Adams	4/28/2015		7/30/2025		\$40,000.00	\$37,574.05		
LS0019823	Former TNT Gas & Deli	Bock	5/12/2015		8/16/2022		\$85,000.00	\$230,577.87		\$173,517.31
LS0019901	Former Forner Garage	Holdingford	8/20/2015		6/19/2017		\$35,000.00	\$27,411.27	\$4,350.43	\$132,655.89
LS0020084	Tardy's Fuel and Food	Angora	4/18/2016		3/20/2024		\$20,000.00			\$50,023.40
LS0020174	Nicholson Transportation Company	Backus	8/16/2016		1/9/2017		\$200,000.00	\$145,674.14	\$44,026.78	\$1,095,852.44
LS0020215	Former Skelly Gas Station	Kasson	7/21/2016		9/27/2016		\$162,000.00	\$249,426.35		\$355,820.36
LS0020289	Former Moose Lake Tire and Oil Inc	Moose Lake	12/7/2016		4/26/2017		\$20,500.00	\$22,715.82	\$3,203.02	\$1,190,718.54
LS0020540	Former Lindert's Hardware	Norwood Young America	5/21/2017		10/31/2018		\$80,000.00	\$30,463.76		\$268,101.90
LS0020636	Columbe Residence	Duluth	2/28/2018		6/1/2021		\$15,000.00	\$19,502.05		\$47,691.27
LS0020703	Richard Matosich Property	Nashwauk	6/11/2018		4/20/2022		\$30,000.00	\$32,809.63		\$5,955.23
LS0020714	Junior Borders Estate Property	Pillager	6/27/2018		2/20/2025		\$10,000.00	\$460.62		\$17,801.61
LS0020846	Stewartville Quick Stop	Stewartville	11/7/2018		9/26/2022		\$18,200.00	\$18,816.90	\$3,081.27	\$68,174.22
LS0020848	Former Bud's Place	Floodwood	11/15/2018		2/11/2019	11/20/2025	\$10,000.00			\$132,234.04
LS0020878	Adjacent ROW to Tulaby Lake Inn	Waubun	11/9/2018		1/28/2020		\$5,000.00	\$8,158.65	\$8,119.33	\$140,693.71
LS0020930	Pollock Residence	Willmar	4/9/2019		6/5/2019		\$11,000.00	\$10,228.62	\$2,530.45	\$79,233.48
LS0020977	Preston Oil Products Company	Preston	5/29/2019		4/9/2020		\$35,000.00	\$30,471.33	\$7,977.86	\$374,392.82
LS0021045	Busy Corner Store	Blackduck	7/26/2019		9/19/2019		\$40,000.00	\$85,628.79	\$65,062.09	\$1,160,362.73
LS0021098	B & J Service	Henriette	9/10/2019		6/1/2021		\$30,000.00	\$36,461.84	\$6,143.59	\$190,824.03
LS0021120	KJ Auto Service	Duluth	9/25/2019		10/9/2024		\$22,000.00	\$23,915.28		\$16,526.15
LS0021193	Donald Harvey Property	Minneapolis	10/23/2019		1/6/2023		\$10,000.00	\$17,497.71	\$2,460.98	\$60,340.83
LS0021205	Warba Auto Service	Warba	11/6/2019		2/1/2024		\$65,000.00	\$72,467.98	\$13,557.22	\$37,696.31
LS0021303	Oakdale Royal Service Station	Owatonna	7/2/2020		5/9/2025			\$23,578.56		
LS0021307	Tacner Property	Evansville	8/19/2020		4/12/2024		\$35,000.00	\$32,433.02		\$2,736.53
LS0021329	140 Maine Street ROW UST	Saint Martin	8/27/2020		1/31/2025		\$15,000.00	\$3,167.49		\$23,478.56
LS0021359	Campbell Residence	Mahtomedi	9/17/2020		7/3/2024		\$20,000.00	\$13,143.55	\$9,927.26	\$31,203.80
LS0021368	1963 Gas Station	Hawick	9/28/2020		8/14/2024		\$3,500.00	\$482.30	\$482.30	\$8,244.67
LS0021402	Johnson-Ward Property	Minnetonka	11/5/2020		9/26/2024		\$5,000.00	\$8,480.32	\$6,144.21	\$18,628.62
LS0021413	Sondrol Service Station	Sunburg	9/15/2020		9/2/2022		\$65,000.00	\$39,907.18	\$6,453.36	\$204,511.58
LS0021484	South Minnesota Oil Co	Pipestone	2/5/2020		8/12/2021		\$95,000.00	\$132,149.07		\$183,546.82
LS0021488	Jesse's Boot Store/Former Bulk Oil Warehouse	Blooming Prairie	2/12/2021		7/22/2025			\$41,132.85	\$18,716.07	\$18,716.07
LS0021519	Hannah Property	Aitkin	5/20/2021		10/10/2025			\$29,938.31		
LS0021546	Shell Petroleum Corporation	Hutchinson	7/22/2021		12/4/2025					
LS0021627	Cut Face Creek Tanker Rollover	Grand Marais	10/13/2021		3/4/2022		\$200,000.00	\$93,344.42	\$22,908.23	\$411,642.07
LS0021707	Elgin C-Store	Elgin	3/28/2022		3/17/2023		\$1,400,000.00	\$215,255.04	\$34,352.49	\$523,479.11
LS0021708	Melis Residence	Saint Cloud	12/3/2021		10/18/2023		\$20,000.00	\$19,841.94	\$1,384.34	\$72,455.66

FY2026 PRP Allotment Report

12/29/2025

Site ID	Site name	City	Leak Site Reported	Leak Reopened	FF approved	FF closed	Allocation Amount	Work Order Amount	Invoiced Amount	Lifetime spent
LS0021748	Horsepower Haven	Grey Eagle	6/8/2022		7/3/2025		\$35,000.00	\$49,433.11	\$12,527.40	\$12,527.40
LS0021750	Ben's Bait and Tackle	Grand Rapids	6/1/2022		3/25/2024		\$40,000.00	\$32,533.17	\$942.07	\$48,340.56
LS0021778	Kern Residence	Aitkin	8/10/2022		4/21/2023		\$47,000.00	\$47,162.19	\$9,383.87	\$98,264.37
LS0021879	Seline Property	Hermantown	12/9/2022		10/9/2024		\$17,500.00	\$16,878.02	\$11,012.43	\$34,558.32
LS0021958	Cherokee Service, Inc.	West Saint Paul	3/30/2023		1/31/2025		\$33,000.00	\$37,083.79	\$2,820.12	\$31,974.09
LS0022087	Grangruth Property	Wadena	9/11/2023		3/5/2025		\$10,000.00	\$2,731.41		\$26,345.32
LS0022106	Moss Property	Karlstad	11/14/2023		5/16/2024	11/5/2025	\$0.00			\$53,906.03
LS0022177	Hagin Property	Ely	2/28/2024		7/29/2025				\$40,303.83	
LS0022218	9 Montcalm Ct Property	Saint Paul	6/5/2024		8/1/2024		\$3,000.00	\$2,123.26	\$2,048.16	\$26,647.99
LS0022274	Korsmo-Watts Property	Minneapolis	8/22/2024		11/12/2025				\$19,614.38	
LS0022302	Lonsdale Food & Fuel Marketplace Inc	Lonsdale	10/15/2024		4/11/2025		\$75,000.00	\$130,047.74	\$12,469.04	\$12,469.04
LS0022363	Liftin Transfer and Excavation Company	Delano	12/17/2024		12/12/2025					
LS0022383	Swan Lake Marathon	Pengilly	3/4/2024		5/9/2025				\$73,967.00	
LS0022392	Hall Property	Shoreview	3/29/2025		6/26/2025			\$35,928.70	\$16,217.60	\$16,217.60
LS0022394	International Falls 2nd Ave Utility Corridor/Bulk ASTs	International Falls	9/11/2023		7/29/2025				\$133,539.33	
LS0022456	MNDOT TH 212 Area B	Sacred Heart	4/27/2020		6/25/2025			\$8,246.18	\$4,359.47	\$4,359.47
LS0079004	Public Water Supply Wells Assessment		3/11/1998		1/1/1900		\$12,000.00	\$7,029.35		\$560,331.79
LS0079020	Gasoline Additive Project		6/1/2019		6/1/2019		\$500,000.00	\$701,592.18	\$114,350.44	\$1,943,656.07
LS0079021	Referrals to Petroleum Remediation Program		10/14/2019		10/14/2019		\$90,000.00	\$65,622.58		\$355,013.75
LS0079022	Fractionated TPH Project		6/28/2021		6/28/2021		\$10,000.00	\$8,307.24		\$363,564.88

## Consultant Performance Report

12/29/2025

Organization	# of Leaksites	Reports submitted	Reports rejected or not accepted	% Rejected or Not Accepted	More work requested	Field work notifications	MPCA Field work audits	Audits with error	% of audits with errors	Most recent MPCA audit
AECOM	7	11	0	0%	5	10	0	0	0%	
AET	35	30	5	17%	5	32	1	1	100%	2025
AllPhase	5	3	0	0%	0	4	0	0	0%	
Antea	18	17	2	12%	3	23	2	2	100%	2025
Apex Companies	1	2	2	100%	0	2	0	0	0%	
Apex Environmental	7	13	2	15%	5	11	1	0	0%	
Arcadis	3	5	1	20%	1	1	0	0	0%	
Atlas	47	57	11	20%	12	125	1	0	0%	2025
Barr Engineering	1	1	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%	
Bay West	40	60	9	15%	16	65	1	0	0%	2025
BNSF - Scott Carney	1	1	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%	
Braun Intertec	59	75	12	16%	13	60	0	0	0%	
Burns & McDonnell	1	2	0	0%	1	0	0	0	0%	
Carlson McCain	66	67	2	3%	13	82	0	0	0%	
Chosen Valley Testing	6	10	6	60%	1	5	1	1	100%	2025
Dean's Tanks	2	3	1	33%	0	0	0	0	0%	
EnviroAnalytics Group	1	0	0	0%	0	4	0	0	0%	
Environmental Scientific	1	1	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%	
Environmental Troubleshooters	14	15	1	7%	4	21	0	0	0%	
ExEnvironmental	1	2	1	50%	1	0	0	0	0%	
GeoTek	1	1	0	0%	0	2	0	0	0%	
Gilbane	2	0	0	0%	0	2	0	0	0%	
Glacial Lakes Environmental Consulting	5	11	1	9%	4	5	0	0	0%	
Granite City Environmental	1	1	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%	
Groundwater & Environmental Services	2	1	0	0%	0	1	0	0	0%	
Javelin	8	11	2	18%	2	2	0	0	0%	
Kennedy/Jenks Consulting	1	2	0	0%	0	12	0	0	0%	
KLJ Engineering	1	1	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%	
Landmark Environmental LLC	7	9	2	22%	1	3	1	1	100%	2025
McCoy Environmental	1	1	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%	
METCO	44	52	5	10%	14	66	1	1	100%	2025
MidAmerica Technical & Environmental Services	8	15	4	27%	3	8	0	0	0%	
Millsop Associates	34	31	3	10%	9	56	0	0	0%	
MSA Professional Services	42	41	1	2%	10	61	1	1	100%	2025
Northeast Technical Services	4	7	1	14%	2	4	0	0	0%	
Northland Environmental	3	3	2	67%	0	2	0	0	0%	
Nova Consulting Group GBC	19	18	0	0%	3	31	0	0	0%	

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Omni Environmental Inc	3	2	0	0%	1	2	0	0	0%	
Pinnacle Engineering	3	4	1	25%	0	1	0	0	0%	
PPM Consultants	1	1	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%	
Ramboll	2	5	4	80%	0	1	0	0	0%	
SEH	1	1	1	100%	0	0	0	0	0%	
Stantec	12	13	1	8%	4	22	0	0	0%	
Terracon	11	17	0	0%	5	31	0	0	0%	
Valley Petroleum Equipment	1	1	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%	
Vieau Associates, a division of GZA	8	7	2	29%	2	8	0	0	0%	
WCEC	79	102	5	5%	27	147	0	0	0%	
Wenck	1	1	0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%	
Widseth	24	18	1	6%	2	22	1	0	0%	2025
WSB USA	20	9	0	0%	2	26	1	0	0%	2025
WSP	5	6	0	0%	3	13	0	0	0%	

### Key

**Organization** -Environmental Consulting Firm

**# of Leaksites** -number of leaksites the Organization has worked on (submitted a report and/or a field work notification)

**Reports Submitted** -number of reports submitted to the MPCA by the Organization for a petroleum leaksite

**Reports rejected or not accepted** -number of reports rejected or not accepted by the MPCA. For a non accepted report, the Organization is allowed to fix deficiencies and resubmit the report. A rejected report has significant deficiencies and may impact Petrofund reimbursement for work performed by the Organization.

**% Rejected or not accepted** -percentage of non accepted/rejected reports divided by total number of reports submitted to the MPCA by the Organization.

**More work requested** -Number of report review responses that resulted in more work needed at the leaksite.

**Field work notifications** -Number of times Organization submits on-line notice to MPCA regarding when field work will occur at a leaksite. (includes modifications/cancelations etc)

**MPCA Field work audits** -MPCA conducts field work audit. MPCA uses the field work notifications to determine which leaksite and Organization should be audited.

**% Audits with errors** - percentage of audits of the Organization that resulted in errors over total number of Organization audits.

**Most recent field work audit** - latest calendar year of last MPCA audit of the Organization.

DATE: December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025

STATE OF MINNESOTA

TO:

Petroleum Tank Release Compensation  
Board Department of CommerceFROM: Kory Wiech, Program Coordinator  
Safety and Emergency Management Section  
Operations Division

PHONE: (651) 757-2743

Office Memorandum

SUBJECT: FY26 ER Project List Report & Dates**FY26 Project List**

Since July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, to the date of this memo, the MPCA ER program within the Safety and Emergency Management Section has responded and hired contractors for 10 petroleum releases for FY26.

As of the date of this memo, the MPCA has approved \$566,944 in ER work orders for FY26. Currently \$145,555 has been expended.

**Fiscal Year Comparisons**

Below is a table that compares Fiscal Year 2025 and Fiscal Year 2026 in terms of work orders and invoices paid against approved Petrofund dollars.

ER FY 25 vs. FY 26	PetroBoard Approved \$	Work Orders Written	Amount Invoiced
<b>ER FY 25 (7/1/24-12/23/24)</b>	\$1,050,000	\$553,000	\$17,215
% of Approved \$		51%	1.6%
<b>ER FY 2026 (7/1/25-12/23/25)</b>	\$1,000,000	\$566,944	\$145,555
% of Approved \$		56.6%	14.5%

**A a h ent 1**  
**FY2026 Petroleum ER Sites**

Incident ID	Site ID	Site Name	City	Estimate	Lifetime Spent
<b>114710</b>	LS0021013/LS002383	Swan Lake Marathon	Pengilly	\$400,000	\$63,668
<b>215731</b>		Kosnitch Property	Ely	\$65,000	\$54,203
<b>216440</b>	LS0022360	Ashley Barringer Residential Fuel Oil	Truman	\$8.500	\$33,118
<b>216676</b>	LS0022373	Thompson Property Fuel Oil Tank	Aitkin	\$14,000	\$119,112
<b>217578</b>	LS0022392	Hall Property Fuel Oil Tank	Shoreview	\$19,000	\$66,298
<b>217610</b>		Brookstone Fuel Oil Tank	Brookston	\$45,000	\$25,963
<b>219976</b>	LS0022492	Sandstrom Residence Fuel Oil	Maplewood	\$15,000	\$10,095
<b>220301</b>	LS0022527	Lakeside Professional Building Fuel Oil	Duluth	\$40,000	\$36,531
<b>221387</b>	LS0022551	Quisberg Property Residential Fuel Oil	Morris	\$55,000	\$3,508
<b>265748</b>		Okeson Property Residential Fuel Oil	Clearwater	\$50,000	

Costs and  
DEPARTMENT: POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
Office Memorandum

DATE: December 29, 2025

TO: Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Board  
Department of Commerce

FROM: Sarah Larsen, Manager  
Petroleum Remediation Program (PRP)

PHONE: (651) 757-2517

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL FUNDING REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026

In May of 2025, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) PRP requested and was approved by the Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Board, \$7,700,000 in funding for remedial investigation, remediation, and special project work in Fiscal Year 2026 at petroleum tank release sites. With 6 months left in the fiscal year, PRP has currently encumbered 91% of these funds in work orders.

The MPCA is requesting an additional \$1,200,000 in funding for a total FY2026 PRP request of \$8,900,000. Current estimate for the remaining site work in fiscal year 2026 on PRP sites is approximately \$1,500,000. As of the date of this memo, PRP available funds are \$702,552. These leaves PRP with an estimated potential \$868,613 deficit for the remaining 6 months of the fiscal year. See Attachment 1. The additional approximately \$300,000 in funds is needed for new fund-financed projects, unexpected site work on current project list and if necessary, emergency response work.

In accordance with the agreement between the Department of Commerce and the MPCA, funds for FY26 will be transferred to the MPCA monthly as invoices are received. The MPCA will continue to submit reports to the Petroboard for review. Funds not spent by the end of FY26 will be returned to the Petrofund.

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Attachments:  
1 – FY2026 Site Estimates

## FY2026 Site Estimates

Site ID	Site Name	City	FF Approved	FY2026		Estimate for remaining FY work	Work Order Amount
				Estimate	work		
LS0000131	Former Midtown Service Station	Paynesville	1/1/1998	\$41,000			94,432.25
LS0000167	Lyon's Pride	Forest Lake	10/19/2021	\$15,000			17,755.96
<b>LS0000397</b>	<b>Dale's 66 &amp; Off Sale, Inc.</b>	<b>Saint Michael</b>	<b>11/15/2024</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>	<b></b>	<b>86,614.68</b>
<b>LS0001419</b>	<b>Rock Creek Motor Stop &amp; Cafe/Kutzke Oil Company, Inc.</b>	<b>Pine City</b>	<b>8/12/2021</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>	<b></b>	<b></b>
<b>LS0001741</b>	<b>Jerry's Texaco</b>	<b>Flensburg</b>	<b>12/22/2008</b>	<b>\$1,305,000</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>	<b></b>	<b>1,311,053.02</b>
LS0002173	Triangle Oil Co	Randall	10/3/2024	\$10,000			3,086.44
<b>LS0002609</b>	<b>Glacial Ridge Vet Clinic</b>	<b>Glenwood</b>	<b>12/6/2022</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b></b>	<b>52,702.95</b>
LS0002621	Engel Distributing Company, Inc.	Austin	10/17/2023	\$13,000			16,957.48
LS0002821	Lundin Construction Co. of Cromwell	Cromwell	11/15/2024	\$40,000			53,888.76
LS0003801	Southside Quik Stop	Saint Stephen	1/29/2014	\$214,000			212,151.76
LS0003807	Town & Country Oil	Mora	11/27/2012	\$230,000			279,611.57
LS0005053	Finlayson Coop	Finlayson	11/1/2012	\$60,000			57,503.80
LS0005837	Jeff's Service	Greenbush	10/24/2011	\$55,000			52,967.04
LS0007577	Service Oil Bulk Plant	Underwood	12/13/2024	\$25,000			32,260.47
LS0007635	Grub & Pub	Foley	6/20/2002	\$120,000			95,916.86
<b>LS0009293</b>	<b>C S Service Inc</b>	<b>Grand Marais</b>	<b>6/12/2023</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>	<b></b>	<b>37,086.24</b>
<b>LS0009885</b>	<b>Dick's Phillips 66 Service</b>	<b>Willernie</b>	<b>12/21/2017</b>	<b>\$338,000</b>	<b>\$250,000</b>	<b></b>	<b>81,214.83</b>
<b>LS0011420</b>	<b>Polish Palace</b>	<b>Sobieski</b>	<b>4/30/2007</b>	<b>\$72,000</b>			<b>142,806.88</b>
LS0011948	Former Jerry's Phillips 66	Grand Rapids	12/13/2024	\$40,500			875.64
LS0012009	Four Corners	Detroit Lakes					
LS0012435	Sturgeon River Landing	Side Lake	12/11/2001	\$178,500			131,998.13
LS0012811	Blackduck Amoco	Blackduck	6/24/2022	\$12,500			13,543.72
LS0012970	Macs Inn	Detroit Lakes	8/22/2001	\$50,000			66,656.86
<b>LS0013173</b>	<b>Esselman Store</b>	<b>Sauk Rapids</b>	<b>1/9/2017</b>	<b>\$298,000</b>	<b>\$175,000</b>	<b></b>	<b>152,289.39</b>
LS0014494	Former Petes Garage or James Motor	Ely	9/28/2023	\$25,000			25,011.52
<b>LS0015264</b>	<b>Corey Oil Company Inc</b>	<b>Lindstrom</b>	<b>5/29/2025</b>		<b>\$50,000</b>		
<b>LS0015381</b>	<b>L &amp; L Oil Company Bulk Plant</b>	<b>Crookston</b>	<b>11/25/2019</b>	<b>\$120,000</b>	<b>\$130,000</b>	<b></b>	<b>40,596.94</b>
LS0016058	Jacobson Auto	Solway	4/15/2005	\$30,000			30,622.82
<b>LS0016813</b>	<b>Walgreens Store 10640</b>	<b>Albert Lea</b>	<b>7/3/2025</b>		<b>\$27,309</b>	<b></b>	<b>84,587.25</b>
LS0017341	City of Pipestone Ewert Rec Center	Pipestone	6/26/2023	\$57,200			49,306.49
<b>LS0017515</b>	<b>Former Central Garage</b>	<b>Ham Lake</b>	<b>7/5/2016</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>	<b></b>	
LS0017886	Java Detour/Former Gas Station	Rochester	2/1/2016	\$69,000			19,880.44
LS0018150	Former Crane Lake Resort	Crane Lake	12/4/2013	\$10,000			15,341.90
LS0018168	John's Service	Alvarado	11/1/2012	\$82,000			42,901.01
LS0020613	Former Farmer's Union Oil Bulk Site	Alvarado					
LS0018447	Gibbons Residence	Grand Rapids	4/11/2025	\$80,000			78,180.26
LS0018516	Hi Yield Products	Hartland	7/2/2025				40,915.61
LS0018832	Former Cherry Corner Store	Iron Junction	5/16/2019	\$0			
<b>LS0019066</b>	<b>Longville Bible Chapel</b>	<b>Longville</b>	<b>12/3/2013</b>	<b>\$87,000</b>			<b>121,592.24</b>
<b>LS0019264</b>	<b>Dalbo Foods</b>	<b>Dalbo</b>	<b>8/16/2022</b>	<b>\$75,000</b>	<b>\$70,856</b>	<b></b>	<b>23,566.20</b>
LS0019659	Exhaust Pros - Duluth	Duluth	7/13/2016	\$18,000			24,124.82
LS0019679	Super Duper Store	Chisholm	3/7/2025	\$15,000			58,255.42
LS0019762	Woody's Pump N Munch	Randolph	6/17/2015	\$40,000			51,059.82
LS0019798	Osmundson Brothers Facility	Adams	7/30/2025				37,574.05
<b>LS0019823</b>	<b>Former TNT Gas &amp; Deli</b>	<b>Bock</b>	<b>8/16/2022</b>	<b>\$85,000</b>			<b>230,577.87</b>
LS0019901	Former Former Garage	Holdingford	6/19/2017	\$35,000			27,411.27
<b>LS0020084</b>	<b>Tardy's Fuel and Food</b>	<b>Angora</b>	<b>3/20/2024</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>	<b>\$45,000</b>	<b></b>	
LS0020174	Nicholson Transportation Company	Backus	1/9/2017	\$200,000			145,674.14
LS0020215	Former Skelly Gas Station	Kasson	9/27/2016	\$162,000			249,426.35
LS0020289	Former Moose Lake Tire and Oil Inc	Moose Lake	4/26/2017	\$20,500			22,715.82
LS0020540	Former Lindert's Hardware	Norwood Young America	10/31/2018	\$80,000			30,463.76
LS0020636	Columbe Residence	Duluth	6/1/2021	\$15,000			19,502.05
LS0020703	Richard Matosich Property	Nashwauk	4/20/2022	\$30,000			32,809.63
LS0020714	Junior Borders Estate Property	Pillager	2/20/2025	\$10,000			460.62
LS0020846	Stewartville Quick Stop	Stewartville	9/26/2022	\$18,200			18,816.90
LS0020848	Former Bud's Place	Floodwood	2/11/2019	\$10,000			
LS0020878	Adjacent ROW to Tulaby Lake Inn	Waubun	1/28/2020	\$5,000			8,158.65
LS0020930	Pollock Residence	Willmar	6/5/2019	\$11,000			10,228.62
LS0020977	Preston Oil Products Company	Preston	4/9/2020	\$35,000			30,471.33
LS0021045	Busy Corner Store	Blackduck	9/19/2019	\$40,000			85,628.79

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LS0021098	B & J Service	Henriette	6/1/2021	\$30,000			36,461.84
LS0021120	KJ Auto Service	Duluth	10/9/2024	\$22,000			23,915.28
LS0021193	Donald Harvey Property	Minneapolis	1/6/2023	\$10,000			17,497.71
LS0021205	Warba Auto Service	Warba	2/1/2024	\$65,000			72,467.98
LS0021303	Oakdale Royal Service Station	Owatonna	5/9/2025				23,578.56
LS0021307	Tacner Property	Evansville	4/12/2024	\$35,000			32,433.02
LS0021329	140 Maine Street ROW UST	Saint Martin	1/31/2025	\$15,000			3,167.49
LS0021359	Campbell Residence	Mahtomedi	7/3/2024	\$20,000			13,143.55
LS0021368	1963 Gas Station	Hawick	8/14/2024	\$3,500			482.30
LS0021402	Johnson-Ward Property	Minnetonka	9/26/2024	\$5,000			8,480.32
<b>LS0021413</b>	<b>Sondrol Service Station</b>	<b>Sunburg</b>	<b>9/2/2022</b>	<b>\$65,000</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>		<b>39,907.18</b>
LS0021484	South Minnesota Oil Co	Pipestone	8/12/2021	\$95,000			132,149.07
LS0021488	Jesse's Boot Store/Former Bulk Oil Warehouse	Blooming Prairie	7/22/2025				41,132.85
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LS0021958	Cherokee Service, Inc.	West Saint Paul	1/31/2025	\$33,000			37,083.79
LS0022087	Grangruth Property	Wadena	3/5/2025	\$10,000			2,731.41
LS0022106	Moss Property	Karlstad	5/16/2024	\$0			
LS0022177	Hagin Property	Ely	7/29/2025				40,303.83
LS0022218	9 Montcalm Ct Property	Saint Paul	8/1/2024	\$3,000			2,123.26
LS0022274	Kosmo-Watts Property	Minneapolis	11/12/2025				19,614.38
<b>LS0022302</b>	<b>Lonsdale Food &amp; Fuel Marketplace Inc</b>	<b>Lonsdale</b>	<b>4/11/2025</b>	<b>\$75,000</b>			<b>130,047.74</b>
LS0022363	Liftin Transfer and Excavation Company	Delano	12/12/2025				
LS0022383	Swan Lake Marathon	Pengilly	5/9/2025				73,967.00
LS0022392	Hall Property	Shoreview	6/26/2025				35,928.70
LS0022394	International Falls 2nd Ave Utility Corridor/Bulk ASTs	International Falls	7/29/2025				133,539.33
<b>LS0022456</b>	<b>MNDOT TH 212 Area B</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>6/25/2025</b>		<b>\$50,000</b>		<b>8,246.18</b>
LS0079004	Public Water Supply Wells Assessment		1/1/1900	\$12,000			7,029.35
LS0079020	Gasoline Additive Project		6/1/2019	\$500,000			701,592.18
<b>LS0079021</b>	<b>Referrals to Petroleum Remediation Program</b>		<b>10/14/2019</b>	<b>\$90,000</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>		<b>65,622.58</b>
LS0079022	Fractionated TPH Project		6/28/2021	\$10,000			8,307.24
FY2026 MDH Analysis				\$20,000			
New Sites in Fiscal Year				\$300,000			

Est. for remaining work in FY

Est. for remaining work in IT

\$1,571,165

\$702,552

-\$868,613

**In Person Attendance:**

Minnesota Department of Commerce  
85 7th Place East, St. Paul, MN 55101  
Golden Rule Building, Summit Conference Room  
(Go to Front Desk on Skyway Level for escort to 5th Floor)

**Remote Attendance:**

This meeting can be attended remotely.  
Check the Petrofund website for more information:  
<https://mn.gov/commerce/business/petrofund/>



## **Petroleum Tank Release Compensation (Petrofund) Board Regular Meeting**

### **E. Minnesota Department of Commerce (Petrofund) Staff Report and Fund Report**

**Petroleum Tank Release Cleanup Fund (Petrofund)**  
**Fund Report**  
**12/19/2025**

Fiscal Year (FY) 2026

Unencumbered Balance Transferred from FY 2025 (estimate)		<b>17,227,546</b>
Cancelled Prior Year Encumbrances		
MPCA Transfer Back From FY 2025		<b>620,354</b>
Actual Receipts		
as of 12/19/2025		
Petrofund Fee	14,320,386	
Interest on Petrofund Account	366,212	
Other Revenue	5,244	
Restitutions		
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<b>14,691,842</b>	<b>14,691,842</b>
<i>Total Unencumbered Balance Transferred From FY 2025</i>		<b>32,539,742</b>
Operating Budget Expenditures (Pro-rata 9 months)		
<b>Commerce FY 2026</b>		
Program Administration	0	
Department Indirect Costs	0	
Attorney General's Office Interagency Agreement	0	
Abandoned Underground Storage Tank Removal Program	0	
Commerce Total Expenditures		0
<b>MPCA FY 2026</b>		
Program Administration	0	
Fund-Financed Project Funding	0	
MPCA Total Expenditures		0
<b>DEED FY 2026</b>		
Program Administration	0	
Grant Funding Current Fiscal Year		
Grant Funding Carry Forward \$7,519,758	0	
DEED Total Expenditures		0
<i>Total Program Expenditures</i>		<b>0</b>
<i>Available for Payment of Claims</i>		<b>32,539,742</b>
Reimbursement Claims Paid During FY2026 as of 12/19/2025	2,808,873	
Reimbursement Claims Awaiting Payment in Accounting	425,423	
Reimbursement Claims Pending Staff Review (estimate)	7,692,613	
<i>Total Paid and Pending Reimbursement Claims</i>		<b>10,926,910</b>
<b>Unencumbered Balance 12/19/2025</b>		<b>21,612,832</b>
<b>Cash Balance 12/19/2025</b>		<b>36,373,806</b>
<b>Difference</b>		<b>14,760,975</b>

**Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Board  
(Petrofund)**

**Applications Approved for Payment - Fiscal Year 2026**

Memo	Approval Date	Applications Approved	Amount approved	Cumulative Applications	Running total
1	7/11/2025	12	\$200,058.64	12	\$ 200,058.64
2	7/25/2025	5	\$165,482.68	17	\$ 365,541.32
3	8/8/2025	8	\$106,541.26	25	\$ 472,082.58
4	8/22/2025	23	\$458,749.66	48	\$ 930,832.24
5	9/5/2025	11	\$360,241.14	59	\$ 1,291,073.38
6	9/19/2025	19	\$427,921.12	78	\$ 1,718,994.50
7	10/3/2025	13	\$264,739.68	91	\$ 1,983,734.18
8	10/17/2025	12	\$307,593.99	103	\$ 2,291,328.17
9	10/31/2025	16	\$275,108.44	119	\$ 2,566,436.61
10	11/14/2025	13	\$224,771.54	132	\$ 2,791,208.15
11	12/1/2025	8	\$237,668.88	140	\$ 3,028,877.03
12	12/12/2025	10	\$205,419.42	150	\$ 3,234,296.45
13	12/26/2025	10	\$134,766.13	160	\$ 3,369,062.58
14	1/9/2026			160	\$ 3,369,062.58
15	1/23/2026			160	\$ 3,369,062.58
16	2/6/2026			160	\$ 3,369,062.58
17	2/20/2026			160	\$ 3,369,062.58
18	3/6/2026			160	\$ 3,369,062.58
19	3/20/2026			160	\$ 3,369,062.58
20	4/3/2026			160	\$ 3,369,062.58
21	4/17/2026			160	\$ 3,369,062.58
22	5/1/2026			160	\$ 3,369,062.58
23	5/15/2026			160	\$ 3,369,062.58
24	5/29/2026			160	\$ 3,369,062.58
25	6/12/2026			160	\$ 3,369,062.58
26	6/26/2026			160	\$ 3,369,062.58
27				160	\$ 3,369,062.58

Average 12.30769231 \$259,158.66  
Forecast 320 \$6,738,125.16

Total Expenditures 2025 (payments on memos) \$3,369,062.58  
Total Applications Paid 160

**Applications Approved for Payment Last Ten Years**

Fiscal Year	Total Applications	Total Amount Approved	
		Approved	
2015	337	\$4,132,849.87	
2016	399	\$5,025,201.42	
2017	298	\$4,157,423.59	
2018	315	\$4,725,189.27	
2019	373	\$5,575,371.20	
2020	282	\$3,935,136.84	
2021	238	\$3,214,229.92	
2022	214	\$2,379,126.30	
2023	254	\$4,479,789.00	
2024	205	\$3,375,618.43	
2025	272	\$4,657,119.63	
2026	160	\$ 3,369,062.58	

2026	2025		#apps FY26 vs FY25	\$\$ FY26 vs FY25
	July	Aug		
July	17	19	-2	\$ 163,311.53
Aug	31	48	0	\$ 51,286.55
SEP	30	78	19	\$ 704,221.90
OCT	41	119	46	\$ 1,291,297.40
NOV	21	140	46	\$ 1,249,188.34
DEC	20	160	49	\$ 1,482,115.40
JAN	0	160	37	\$ 1,288,688.98
FEB	0	160	11	\$ 897,628.81
MAR	0	160	-11	\$ 604,711.39
APR	0	160	-40	\$ 121,793.46
May	0	160	-83	\$ (507,164.98)
JUN	0	160	-112	\$ (1,288,057.05)
	160	272		

## Petrofund Reimbursement Applications Received Fiscal Years 2022 - 2026

<b>2022</b>	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	<b>TOTAL</b>
Total	18	11	19	25	20	15	22	26	33	25	14	18	246
Initial	9	4	15	16	10	12	12	13	19	17	7	14	148
Supplemental	9	7	4	9	10	3	10	13	14	8	7	4	98

<b>2023</b>	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	<b>TOTAL</b>
Total	18	22	25	28	22	25	19	28	22	24	18	29	280
Initial	9	10	16	18	8	17	11	20	11	16	11	20	167
Supplemental	9	12	9	10	14	8	8	8	11	8	7	9	113

<b>2024</b>	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	<b>TOTAL</b>
Total	15	19	15	14	13	19	32	36	23	14	30	16	246
Initial	9	11	11	8	8	7	17	18	16	8	20	13	146
Supplemental	6	8	4	6	5	12	15	18	7	6	10	3	100

<b>2025</b>	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	<b>TOTAL</b>
Total	15	15	22	20	29	14	20	25	32	25	18	29	264
Initial	4	9	8	12	15	13	14	15	17	10	12	14	143
Supplemental	11	6	14	8	14	1	6	10	15	15	6	15	121

<b>2026</b>	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	<b>TOTAL</b>
Total	20	24	27	25	28	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	135
Initial	11	14	11	9	15	8							68
Supplemental	9	10	16	16	13	3							67

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	<b>TOTAL</b>
2022	19	19	16	22	15	27	36	26	21	15	47	25	288
2023	26	30	32	16	34	28	23	31	30	25	8	19	302
2024	18	11	19	25	20	15	22	26	33	25	14	18	246
2025	15	15	22	20	29	14	20	25	32	25	18	29	264
2026	20	24	27	25	28	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	135