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Greetings, Sears Canada Inc. (Sears) and Clifton Associates Ltd. (Clifton) are pleased to provide the following status update on the active investigation within the community of Hounsfield Heights. Since the previous Beacon posting dated February 3rd 2015, we are now finalizing the work related to a first round of soil and groundwater investigation and sampling proposed in the Updated Site Management Plan (2014).

The decommissioning of many of the existing boreholes, as well as the first phase of drilling within the Hounsfield Heights – Briar Hill community, has now concluded and the first round of sampling is also behind us. All samples were delivered to a Canadian Association for Laboratory Accreditation (CALA) certified laboratory (AGAT Laboratories) and approximately 99% of the sample analyses is complete and have been returned to Clifton. Details of these tests, along with the soil results from the drilling program, will be compiled into an investigation report that will include recommendations for follow up work within some areas of the Site. The investigation report, as with other future monitoring and sampling reports, will be sent to all stakeholders (Gas Plume Committee, Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development (AESRD), Alberta Health Services (AHS), and the City of Calgary). Residents will have access to these reports, as well as historical reports that have been previously scanned and submitted to AESRD, through the link provided at the bottom of this correspondence.

We anticipate that the second round of groundwater sampling will be completed as scheduled during the month of June, per the Updated Site Management Plan (2014) and Intrinsik has begun work to complete the revised Health Risk Assessment for the community. During the drilling process, residents expressed concerns regarding some damage caused to City property by the groundwater monitoring well installation and sampling activities. We have addressed this concern with those involved and they have been advised that a “Repair and Restoration Plan” was submitted to, and approved by, the City of Calgary Parks Department outlining a plan to restore the affected City-owned Parks areas. Clifton, in cooperation with a qualified landscaping contractor, will be beginning the restoration of the Site in the early parts of June. All areas of concern will be returned to original condition as approved by the City.

Some residents have expressed concerns regarding the installation of groundwater monitoring wells within the City-owned right-of-way that adjoins their yards. This is completely understandable, as the right-of-ways are a reflection of our lawns. We have made attempts to restore and clean up these locations as work progressed, but this work is currently incomplete. We will be making a final pass through the community in the next couple of weeks to inspect and restore these locations. If the area surrounding a monitoring well in your area has not been cleaned up or restored to your satisfaction by June 15, please contact Mr. Stephen d’Abadie at the email address found at the end of this communication. Please provide your name and address, as well as the specific complaint, so that we may check upon the issue in person and resolve it.

Sears and Clifton appreciate the opportunity to provide this information to the residents of Hounsfield Heights – Briar Hill community and look forward to being able to issue our next progress report in the coming months. In the interim, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact one of the Sears or Clifton representatives listed below.

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