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GREENWICH HIGH SCHOOL ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING UPDATE SITE TESTING NOTICE

Background

In mid-July 2011, during the course of excavation work for the Greenwich High School (GHS) Music Instructional Space and Auditorium project, unexpected soil conditions were discovered in the west (or back) parking lot, adjacent to the athletic fields. Initial testing results showed levels of a class of chemicals known as polychlorinated biphenyls (or PCBs) in soil above standards set by the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP). Since this discovery, a comprehensive environmental study of the high school campus grounds has been completed, potential risks to human health and the environmental have been evaluated, and cleanup (remedial) actions are being reviewed.

Testing Continues

As part of the Town's ongoing monitoring work at the GHS site, environmental testing will be performed during the winter recess (February 11th to February 15th). The testing will include groundwater and soil sampling, which is discussed further below.

Soil Testing

Soil borings will be performed in the west parking lot behind GHS on February 13th and 14th. In the Approval issued by EPA for the MISA soil remediation plans, EPA requested limited additional data be submitted to the Agency prior to performing MISA construction. The soil testing to be performed will fulfill this requirement.

Groundwater Monitoring

Another round of groundwater samples will be collected from existing monitoring wells at the GHS site during the winter break (February 11th through the 15th). This groundwater monitoring is part of the site investigation program and additional groundwater sampling will be performed during this calendar year.

Notice: GHS Site Testing Winter Recess February 8 - 15, 2013

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requested additional soil testing in the area of utilities to be installed as part of the MISA Construction. Soil testing will be conducted at Greenwich High School on February 13th and 14th.

In addition, groundwater sampling will also be performed during the winter break (February 11th to 15th).

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