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Mr. Dennis Traiteur, Manager
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Subject: April 21, 2021 and April 23, 2021 SSO Reconnaissance Inspection Report

Dear Mr. Traiteur:

On April 21, 2021 and April 23, 2021, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency conducted a sanitary sewer overflow (SSO) reconnaissance inspection at the Commonfields of Cahokia Sewer District.

The enclosed report summarizes observations made by EPA during the inspection.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, or the inspection report, please contact Joan Rogers of my staff at (312) 886-2785 or at rogers.joan@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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Purpose: Commonfields of Cahokia – SSO Reconnaissance Inspection Report

Facility: Commonfields of Cahokia Sewer District

Dates of Inspection: April 21, 2021 and April 23, 2021

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April 21, 2021

On April 21, 2021, the EPA inspection team of Dean Maraldo, Ted Flatebo, Val Dooling, and Joan Rogers traveled to the City of Centreville to meet with IEPA inspectors Mr. Joe Stitely and Ms. Ingrid Acevedo. There is a clean out in front of a house on North 82nd Street that had been observed discharging during previous inspections. EPA inspectors arrived at the location at 11:30 A.M. and IEPA inspectors arrived at 11:40 A.M. The sanitary sewers in this area are owned and operated by the Commonfields of Cahokia Utility District. Mr. Dennis Traiteur is the manager of the utility. The cleanout was not discharging when the EPA and IEPA inspectors arrived. EPA and IEPA inspectors left at 11:50 A.M.

Later in the day, the EPA inspection team observed the Commonfields of Cahokia Lift Station #24, named Mousette Lane on documents provided by Mr. Traiteur, located near the intersection of Tudor Avenue and 50th Street. During a previous reconnaissance inspection of the lift stations owned by Commonfields of Cahokia on February 24-25, 2021, EPA was not able to find this lift station as the address provided was not correct. Following that inspection, Mr. Maraldo received the coordinates for this lift station and for Lift Station #23, named Mary Ryans on documents provided by Mr. Traiteur. EPA observed Lift Station #23, located near the intersection of South 59th Street and Old Missouri Avenue, and noted that there was a submersible pump in the lift station.

April 23, 2021

It had rained overnight in the ESLA area and at 9:00 A.M., EPA inspectors Ms. Rogers, Ms. Dooling and Mr. Flatebo arrived on North 82nd Street to observe if the clean out was discharging. It was not discharging.

The EPA inspectors then drove to the Lauralee and Violet lift station to see if it was discharging. This lift station had been observed discharging during a previous inspection. It was not discharging.

The EPA inspectors then drove to the Lady of Snows lift station on Old Missouri Avenue, arriving at 9:43 A.M. This lift station is still being bypassed with a pump and hose that sent the flow from the wet well of the Lady of Snows lift station up an embankment and to a sanitary manhole near the road. There was no evidence of sanitary sewer discharge to the ground.

EPA ended the reconnaissance of the Commonfields of Cahokia SSO location and lift stations at 9:48 A.M.