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Re: City of Elwood, Madison County
Former Central Siding Distributors
129 W. Main Street, Elwood, IN
Indiana Brownfields Program

Dear Mr. Zoll:

This letter is to serve as the Indiana Brownfields Program's ("Program") formal request for a Section 106 National Historic Preservation Act review by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources' Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology for the property located at 129 W. Main Street, Elwood, Madison County ("Site"). The Program is the recipient of a federal Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) grant for environmental remediation awarded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. As a condition of use of the federal funds, the Program must ensure a review is conducted to determine the potential applicability of the National Historic Preservation Act to the Site. The Program will sub-grant funds to the community to be used to remediate environmental impacts at the Site, including removing source soil of VOCs and hot spot removal of lead and arsenic. The Program is currently using the federal Brownfields grant to address six (6) sites throughout the state through a Rapid RLF Remediation Sub Grant Initiative ("RLF Initiative"). Due to the pace of this RLF Initiative, the Remediation Work Plan (RWP) has not yet been prepared, but will be submitted as an addendum to this letter, if needed, once the bidding is completed and the selection of the environmental contractor has occurred. This letter is to initiate the Section 106 review process due to the number of sites the Program is submitting for review.

Federal Funding Source: The City of Elwood plans to enter into a sub-grant agreement with the Program to use federal funds to remediate environmental impacts identified on the Site. A Site map is included with this letter as "Exhibit A" for your reference and review. (The Remediation Work Plan will be forwarded as soon as it is received and approved by the Program, if needed.)



Site Background: The Site is located at 129 W. Main Street, Elwood, and consists of five parcels, with a total of approximately 0.64 acres. The Site is located in a mixed commercial and residential area on the west side of Elwood, Indiana. Historical records show that it is the location of a metal coating, casting and manufacturing business that operated from the 1940s through the 1950s; a home improvement center in the 1950s; as Central Siding from the 1980s to 1990s; and as a daycare center in the 2000s. In 2013, the City of Elwood acquired the property and it is currently vacant. In 2014, the manufacturing/warehouse building was demolished; only a storage building, parking lot, and cement slabs remain. Site investigations concluded that the soil and groundwater at the Site are contaminated with lead, arsenic, and VOCs. The Site is located in a Wellhead Protection Area and private/municipal wells are located within 750 feet of the Site. Although the RWP has not been prepared, a Phase I report was prepared by IWM Consulting Group in 2015 and a Phase II investigation was performed in 2016. The environmental remediation that will occur will include removal of source soil near the municipal wellfield for future groundwater remediation of VOCs, and hot spot removal of lead and arsenic in the surface soil.

Historical Status of Site: The Site is not listed on State or National Registries

Sources of Historical Information: Indiana DNR SHAARED Database/Indiana Buildings, Bridges, and Cemeteries Map

Thank you for your assistance with the Section 106 review process. In order to facilitate the appropriate review by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Program requests that all correspondence from your office to the Program be copied to Patricia Polson, Project Manager, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 W. Jackson Blvd., BB-7J, Chicago, IL 60604. Please feel free to contact me at (317) 234-6018 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

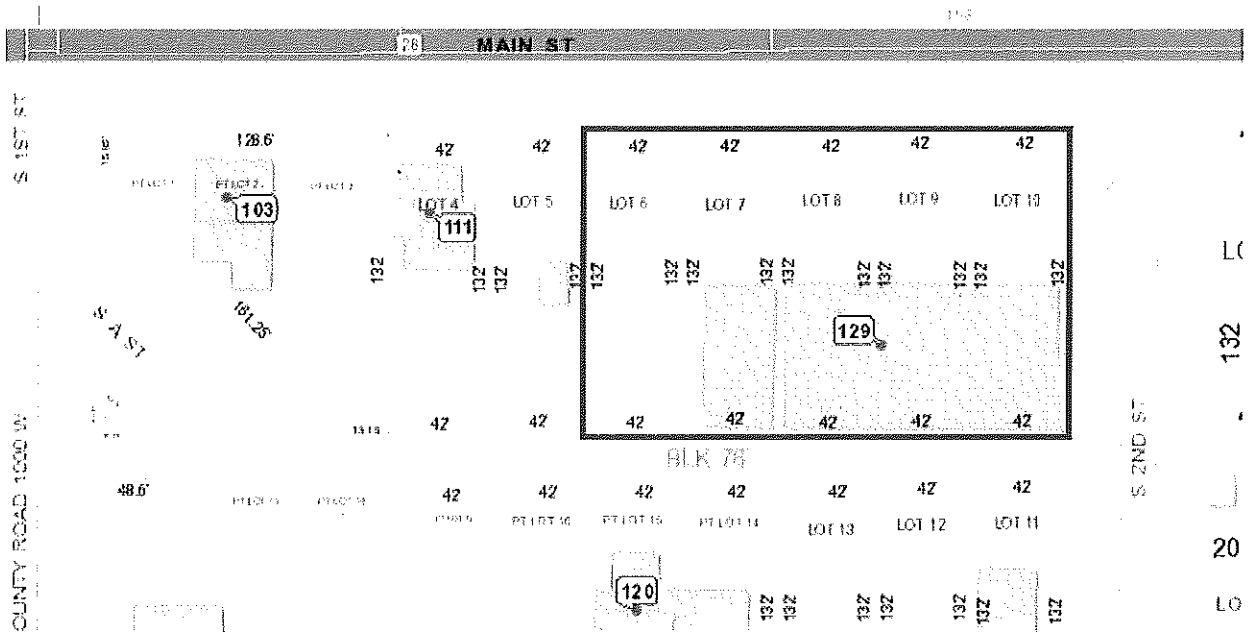


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cc: *via electronic transmission*
Patricia Polston, U.S. EPA

Exhibit A



Central Siding Site