

To whom it may concern

Hereby the signee Dr. J. Möller, managing director (Geschäftsführer) of Vorwerk Autotec GmbH & Co. KG in Wuppertal, confirms that Mr. T. van Ellen supervises on our behalf the soil clean-up activities on our industrial site in Herentals. Mr. van Ellen started working for us on this project in 2006, and his activities are on-going.

The site concerned is a former metalworking plant, where soil and especially groundwater are polluted by toluene as well as TCE and its degradation products. In 2006, when we asked Mr. van Ellen to supervise the clean-up activities, an ineffective pump and treat system was operating. Mr. van Ellen decided to stop this system, and to carry out a new comprehensive soil quality investigation, including the regular measurement of groundwater levels.

It appeared that the pollution was more or less stationary, and advanced chemical analyses confirmed that biodegradation was taking place. Human risks are small, as the polluted plume is mostly situated underneath a concrete floor. A new clean-up plan is currently being drafted, which aims at a monitored natural attenuation of the plume.

We are completely satisfied with Mr. van Ellen's performance and expect him to continue supervising the clean-up in the future.

Wuppertal, May 25, 2012



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