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Our ref:
Your ref:

Date: 6 August 2013

Dear Natalie

Activities at: Michelins Farm, Rochford, Essex.

The Environment Agency has been involved in the activities at Michelins Farm on numerous occasions in the last 10 years. These all relate to investigating reports of illegal waste activities and has resulted in successful prosecutions in 2008 and 2012. Whilst we have no chemical analysis of the ground at the site the widespread burning of household, commercial and industrial wastes are likely to have resulted in localised contamination of land with ash and residue of burnt material. By "localised contamination" I am referring refers to pockets of contamination due to the unauthorised burning and depositing of waste on the site as opposed to contamination of the whole site.

There is also evidence of the presence of small amounts of asbestos cement materials on the site, which is currently subject to a Court Order requiring their removal.

If you have any queries, please contact me at the address below.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T Sheppard".

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