



December 4, 2017

City of Fort Wayne
200 East Berry Street
Fort Wayne, Indiana 46802

**Screening Levels Utilized for
North River Development Area
1610 North Calhoun Street
Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana**

Dear City of Fort Wayne and readers of this information:

IWM Consulting Group, LLC (IWM Consulting) purchased AVANT Group, Inc. (AVANT) on March 1, 2007. AVANT continued to use the AVANT name for several years following that purchase. AVANT and/or IWM Consulting completed several reports for the City relating to soil and/or groundwater sampling and analysis performed on the former OmniSource property, 1610 North Calhoun Street, Fort Wayne in 2007 and 2013.

The reports prepared by AVANT/IWM Consulting and being released for public review contain soil and/or groundwater analytical results and recommendations that were compared to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) Risk-Integrated System of Cleanups (RISC) guidelines. The RISC program became available for use in Indiana on October 21, 1997. The RISC program was replaced with the IDEM Office of Land Quality (OLQ) Remediation Program Guide (RPG) in February 2012 and the Remediation Closure Guide (RCG) on March 22, 2012.

The RCG contains Table A-6 (IDEM OLQ Screening Levels) and Table A-7 (Recreational Soil Direct Contact Screening Levels). These tables are updated annually with Table A-6 being last updated on March 6, 2017 with some chemical updates on July 18, 2017. The March 2017 table incorporates broad updates by the U. S. EPA, including new source data for chemical parameters and toxicity values.

The RCG contains several soil screening levels for different scenarios. These include Residential Soil Exposure Direct Contact Screening Levels (RDCSLs), Commercial/Industrial Soil Exposure Direct Contact Screening Levels (IDCSLs), Recreational Soil Direct Contact Screening Levels (Rec DCSLs), Excavation Worker Soil Exposure Direct Contact Screening Levels (EX DCSLs), and Residential Soil Migration to Groundwater Screening Levels (Res MTGSLs). The RDCSLs will not be considered due to no proposed residential development of the site.

The RCG also contains groundwater screening levels identified as Residential Tap Groundwater Screening Levels (Res TAP GWSLs).

The chemical values identified in the reports being released for public review should take into account the changes in chemical values from the RISC guidelines to the current RCG Screening Levels.

Sincerely,
IWM Consulting Group, LLC