#### **Inspect Minnesota & Midwest Soil Testing**

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MPCA Licensed Advanced Inspector

#### SUBSURFACE SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEM (SSTS) COMPLIANCE REPORT

**Date:** March 30, 2017 **Time:** 11:30 PM **Owner:** Mary Johnson

Inspection Address: 10680 Cedar Heights Trl S, Denmark Twp, MN 55033

#### REPORT SUMMARY

I have performed an "MPCA Compliance Inspection" on this system and have reviewed the original design/permit records on file at Washington County. This older system (installed in 1993) consists of two pre-cast septic tanks and a rock trench drainfield installed in sandy fill similar to a mound (gravity mound).

Predicated on my inspection of the system and my review of the original design/permit records, it is my opinion that this system <u>presently meets</u> MPCA minimum compliance inspection requirements.

Inspect Minnesota and Midwest Soil Testing have been hired to perform a compliance inspection of this SSTS for compliance with local ordinances pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 115.55 (2013). This compliance inspection covers only the criteria required by Minn. Stat. § 115.55 Subd. 5a (2013) and Minn. R. 7080.1500 (2011). A compliance inspection is an indication of the current compliance status of the system and does not guarantee the performance or longevity of this system beyond the date of inspection, as it is impossible to determine the future performance of any system. Inspect Minnesota and Midwest Soil Testing disclaim any use of this compliance inspection beyond determining SSTS compliance pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 115.55 Subd. 5a (2013) and Minn. R. 7080.1500 (2011).

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Brian Humpal
Brian Humpal



## **Compliance Inspection Form**

## Existing Subsurface Sewage Treatment Systems (SSTS)

Doc Type: Compliance and Enforcement

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Instructions: Inspection results based on Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) requirements and attached forms – additional local requirements may also apply.						
Submit completed form to Local Unit of Government (LUG) an within 15 days	nd system owner					
System Status						
System status on date (mm/dd/yyyy):3/30/2017						
○ Compliant – Certificate of Compliance (Valid for 3 years from report date, unless shorter time frame outlined in Local Ordinance.)	☐ Noncompliant – Notice of Noncompliance (See Upgrade Requirements on page 3)					
Reason(s) for noncompliance (check all applicable	)					
☐ Impact on Public Health (Compliance Component #1)	– Imminent threat to public health and safety					
Other Compliance Conditions (Compliance Componer						
☐ Tank Integrity (Compliance Component #2) – Failing						
<ul> <li>☐ Other Compliance Conditions (Compliance Component</li> <li>☐ Soil Separation (Compliance Component #4) – Failing</li> </ul>						
☐ Operating permit/monitoring plan requirements (Comp						
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	D# or Sec/Twp/Range:					
Property address: 10680 Cedar Heights Trl S, Denmark Twp, Mi						
Property owner: Mary Johnson  or	Owner's phone: 651-442-3610					
Owner's representative:	Representative phone:					
Local regulatory authority: Washington County	Regulatory authority phone: 651-430-4052					
·	trench drainfield installed in sandy fill similar to a mound (gravity					
Brief system description:mound).  Comments or recommendations:						
Comments of recommendations.						
Certification						
I hereby certify that all the necessary information has been gathered determination of future system performance has been nor can be a possible abuse of the system, inadequate maintenance, or future to	made due to unknown conditions during system construction,					
Inspector name: Brian Humpal	Certification number: L5342					
Business name: Inspect Minnesota, Midwest Soil Testing	License number: L2896					
Inspector signature: Brian Humpal	Phone number: 651-492-7550					
Necessary or Locally Required Attachments						
Soil boring logs       System/As-built drawing	☐ Forms per local ordinance					
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Inspector initials/Date: 3/30/2017

1.	ln	mpact on Public Health — Compliance component #1 of 5				
	Co	ompliance criteria:		Verification method(s):		
		stem discharge sewage to the ound surface.	☐ Yes  ☐ No	<ul> <li>✓ Searched for surface outlet</li> <li>✓ Searched for seeping in yard/backup in home</li> <li>✓ Excessive ponding in soil system/D-boxes</li> </ul>		
	-	stem discharge sewage to drain tile surface waters.	☐ Yes ⊠ No	<ul> <li>☑ Excessive ponding in soil system/D-boxes</li> <li>☐ Homeowner testimony (See Comments/Explanation)</li> <li>☑ "Black soil" above soil dispersal system</li> </ul>		
		stem cause sewage backup into velling or establishment.	☐ Yes ⊠ No	System requires "emergency" pumping  Performed dye test		
		ny "yes" answer above indicates n Imminent Threat to Public Heal		☐ Unable to verify (See Comments/Explanation) ☐ Other methods not listed (See Comments/Explanation)		
	No	omments/Explanation: one of the above found. soil boring over the drainfield indicated	I no signs of ponding or blac	k/grey soils.		
2.	Ta	ank Integrity — Compliance com	nponent #2 of 5			
	Co	ompliance criteria:		Verification method(s):		
		stem consists of a seepage pit, sspool, drywell, or leaching pit.	☐ Yes  ☐ No	<ul><li>☑ Probed tank(s) bottom</li><li>☑ Examined construction records</li></ul>		
		epage pits meeting 7080.2550 may be mpliant if allowed in local ordinance.		<ul><li>Examined Tank Integrity Form (Attach)</li><li>Observed liquid level below operating depth</li></ul>		
		wage tank(s) leak below their signed operating depth.	☐ Yes  ☐ No	☐ Examined empty (pumped) tanks(s)		
	lf y	ves, which sewage tank(s) leaks:		<ul><li>☐ Probed outside tank(s) for "black soil"</li><li>☐ Unable to verify (See Comments/Explanation)</li></ul>		
		ny "yes" answer above indica stem is Failing to Protect Gro		☐ Official to verify (See Comments/Explanation)  ☐ Other methods not listed (See Comments/Explanation)		
3.	Lo	omments/Explanation: wered underwater camera into tanks - ther Compliance Conditions		nt #3 of 5		
	a.	Maintenance hole covers are damaged	d, cracked, unsecured, or app	pear to structurally unsound. ☐ Yes* ☒ No ☐ Unknown		
	b.	Other issues (electrical hazards, etc.) to in *System is an imminent threat to put		pact public health or safety. ☐ Yes* ☒ No ☐ Unknown		
		Explain:				
	c. System is non-protective of ground water for other conditions as determined by inspector ☐ Yes* ☒ No *System is failing to protect groundwater			termined by inspector ☐ Yes* ☒ No		
		Explain:				

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**Soil Separation** – Compliance component #4 of 5 Date of installation: 1993 Unknown Verification method(s): Shoreland/Wellhead protection/Food Beverage ☐ Yes ☐ No Soil observation does not expire. Previous soil Lodging? observations by two independent parties are sufficient. Compliance criteria: unless site conditions have been altered or local requirements differ. For systems built prior to April 1, 1996, and ☐ Conducted soil observation(s) (Attach boring logs) not located in Shoreland or Wellhead Protection Area or not serving a food, ☐ Two previous verifications (Attach boring logs) beverage or lodging establishment: ☐ Not applicable (Holding tank(s), no drainfield) Drainfield has at least a two-foot vertical ☐ Unable to verify (See Comments/Explanation) separation distance from periodically ☑ Other (See Comments/Explanation) saturated soil or bedrock. ☐ Yes ☐ No Non-performance systems built April 1, Comments/Explanation: 1996, or later or for non-performance Reviewed design and permit records. systems located in Shoreland or Wellhead Protection Areas or serving a food, beverage, or lodging establishment: Drainfield has a three-foot vertical separation distance from periodically saturated soil or bedrock.\* "Experimental", "Other", or "Performance" ☐ Yes ☐ No Indicate depths of elevations systems built under pre-2008 Rules; Type IV See Attached or V systems built under 2008 Rules (7080. A. Bottom of distribution media Boring Log(s) 2350 or 7080.2400 (Advanced Inspector License required) B. Periodically saturated soil/bedrock Drainfield meets the designed vertical separation distance from periodically C. System separation saturated soil or bedrock. D. Required compliance separation\* Any "no" answer above indicates the system is \*May be reduced up to 15 percent if allowed by Local Failing to Protect Groundwater. Ordinance. 5. Operating Permit and Nitrogen BMP\* – Compliance component #5 of 5 Not applicable Is the system operated under an Operating Permit? ☐ Yes ☒ No If "yes", A below is required Is the system required to employ a Nitrogen BMP? ☐ Yes ⊠ No If "yes", B below is required BMP=Best Management Practice(s) specified in the system design If the answer to both questions is "no", this section does not need to be completed. Compliance criteria a. Operating Permit number: ☐ Yes ☐ No Have the Operating Permit requirements been met? ☐ Yes ☐ No b. Is the required nitrogen BMP in place and properly functioning? Any "no" answer indicates Noncompliance.

Upgrade Requirements (Minn. Stat. § 115.55) An imminent threat to public health and safety (ITPHS) must be upgraded, replaced, or its use discontinued within ten months of receipt of this notice or within a shorter period if required by local ordinance. If the system is failing to protect ground water, the system must be upgraded, replaced, or its use discontinued within the time required by local ordinance. If an existing system is not failing as defined in law, and has at least two feet of design soil separation, then the system need not be upgraded, repaired, replaced, or its use discontinued, notwithstanding any local ordinance that is more strict. This provision does not apply to systems in shoreland areas, Wellhead Protection Areas, or those used in connection with food, beverage, and lodging establishments as defined in law.

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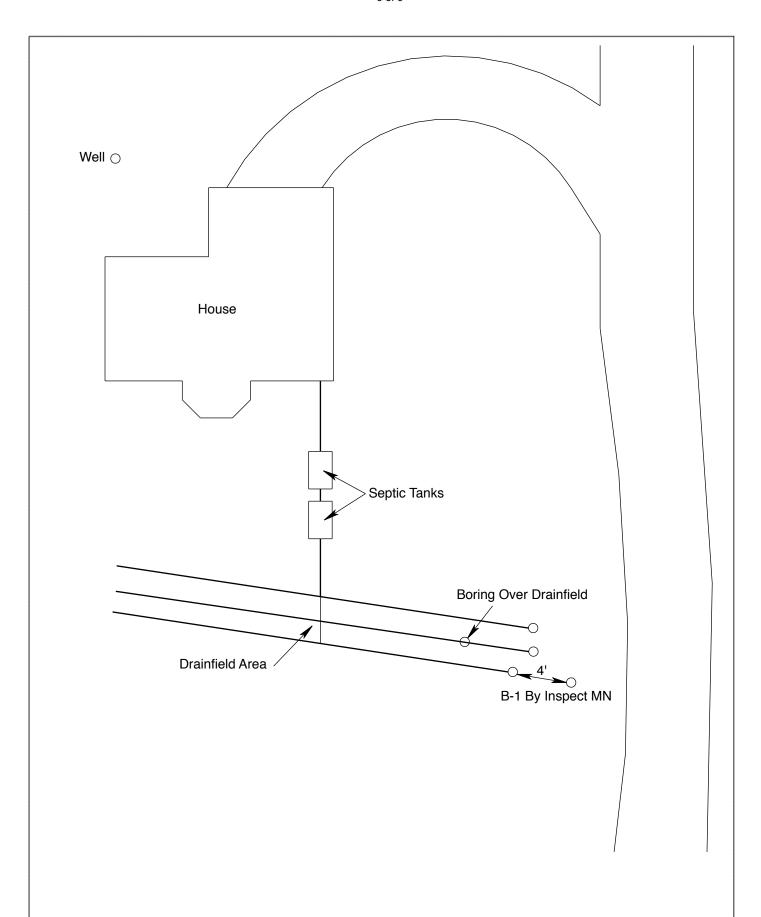
## Inspect Minnesota & Midwest Soil Testing Subsurface Sewage Treatment System Owner/Property Information

This information will be used for the purpose of conducting an MPCA Compliance Inspection.

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Date of Inspection: March 30, 2017	Time: 11:30 AM			
Property Address: 10680 Cedar Heights Trl S, Denmark Twp	Zip: 55033			
Property Owner: Mary Johnson	Phone: 651-442-3610			
Tank(s)       Tank(s)Material       Soil Treatment System         Septic 2       Fiberglass       Soil Treatment System         Aerobic       Plastic       Gravelless trench         Lift       Metal       Chamber trench         Holding       Concrete       Seepage bed         Other:       Block       Mound         Other       At-grade	Other  Alternative system  Experimental system  Cesspool system  Other system			
Are the tank maintenance covers accessible? ☐ Yes ☒ No *If i	no, proper maintenance must be			
performed through the maintenance holes. Maintenance hole cover	ers should be made accessible to			
the ground surface to facilitate access and proper maintenance of t	he system.			
	Γank size (gals.): 2-1000			
How long has seller owned the property?  Number of re				
Number of bedrooms? 4 Are all floors drained by g				
Garbage disposal? Whirlpool bath?				
More than one system (laundry, etc.)?				
Does this property have any footing drain tiles connected to the se	ptic system'?			
Are any buildings on this property such as garages or out-buildings connected to this system?				
Are there any additional systems on this property serving other bu	ildings?			
Location of septic system on lot? East Side				
Location of water well on lot? Southwest Side  Is the well a deep well? Y				
Have you ever experienced any problems with the system such as:				
surfacing of sewage onto the ground, septic tank overflowing, etc.; or have any repairs been made to the system?  If yes, explain:				
When was the system last pumped? 2014 Name of pum	per:			
How often pumped in previous years?				
Have you received notices from any government agency concerning this system?				
Is your property located in a shoreland management area? N				
Do you have any additional information that should be given to the new owner?				
I hereby certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge considered "non-compliant/failing" per MPCA rules, that the inspector must by local government unit within 15 days of the date of inspection completion. I at this report, that I/we are ultimately responsible for payment of all fees for all wo	law submit a copy of this report to the lso agree that unless otherwise noted in			

Owner/Occupant: Date:

by Inspect Minnesota and Midwest Soil Testing.



**NO SCALE** 

10680 Cedar Heights Trl S, Denmark Twp, MN 55033

#### **Log Of Soil Borings**

Location of Project: 10680 Cedar Heights Trl S, Denmark Twp, MN 55033					
Borings Made By: Inspect Minnesota				Date:	3/30/17
Auger Used: Hand/Bucket			Classi	fication System:	USDA
	Boring Number:	1	Boring Number:		
Surface Elevation of Boring  Same ground surface as last drainfield trench		Surface Elevation ( Boring	of		
Depth In Soils Encountered Inches		Depth In Inches	Soils Er	countered	
0-6 6-70	10YR 4/3 Medium ( ≈15-20% I	/2 Silt Loam Coarse Sand With Gravel Rock Fragments Refusal At 70"			
70"	Depth To End Of B	oring Or Redox	]	Depth To End Of Bo	oring Or Redox
Same Elevation Of Boring Relative To System		ı	Elevation Of Boring	Relative To System	
-32" Depth To Bottom Of Distribution Media				f Distribution Media	
≥38" Of Separation			Of Separation		
	End Of Boring At:	70"		End Of Boring At:	
			Redox Present At:		
Redox Present At: None Standing Water Present At: None			Water Present At:		
Standing Water Fresent At.   None		Stariding			

Bottom Of Distribution Medium At:	32 Inches

#### **DISCLAIMER**

## Brian L. Humpal, Inc. dba. Inspect Minnesota, Midwest Soil Testing Relative to Subsurface Sewage Treatment System (SSTS) Compliance Inspections

- 1. This inspection/report is being performed for only the seller/owner of the property on which the SSTS is located. In such case that another party is paying for the inspection, the contract is between only said party and Brian L. Humpal, Inc.; there is no contract between Brian L. Humpal, Inc. and any other party unless otherwise noted.
- 3. Brian L. Humpal, Inc. has not been retained to warranty, guarantee, or certify the proper functioning of the SSTS for any period of time beyond the date of inspection or into the future. Because of the numerous factors (usage, maintenance, soil characteristics, previous failures, etc.) which may affect the proper operation of an SSTS, as well as the inability of Brian L. Humpal, Inc. to supervise or monitor the use or maintenance of the SSTS, the report shall not be construed as a warranty by Brian L. Humpal, Inc. that the SSTS will function properly for any particular party for any period of time.
- 4. Brian L. Humpal, Inc. is unable to verify the frequency and/or, quality of prior or future maintenance of the SSTS. Maintenance of the tank(s) must be performed through the tanks maintenance hole. The removal of solids from any location other than the maintenance hole is not a compliant method of maintenance. It is strongly recommended that maintenance covers be made accessible to the ground surface to facilitate proper maintenance.
- 5. Minimum Compliance Inspection requirements relative to this inspection and this report include <u>only</u> verification that the SSTS has tank(s) (septic tanks, lift tanks, dosing tanks, stilling tanks, etc.) which are watertight below the designed operating depth, the required separation between the bottom of the subsurface soil distribution medium and seasonally saturated soils, no back-ups of sewage into the dwelling, no discharge of sewage/effluent to the ground surface or surface waters, and no imminent safety hazards. Brian L. Humpal, Inc. does not inspect plumbing or pumps prior to the first SSTS component as these are plumbing components. The performance of exterior pumps and associated components are not inspected as they are considered to be maintenance items. Additionally, no indications relative to compliance with electrical code requirements have been made. It is recommended that any other applicable plumbing, electrical, housing, etc. inspections be performed by a qualified inspection business. Sewage back-up verification is limited to observing the floor drain area and/or the information supplied by the last occupants of the building prior to inspection. Brian L. Humpal, Inc. cannot guarantee that the information given to them by the last occupants of the building prior to inspection relative to back-ups is accurate.
- 4. Certification of this SSTS does not warranty future use beyond the date of the inspection. Any SSTS, old or new, can become hydraulically overloaded or discharge sewage/effluent to the ground surface as a result of more people moving into the house than were previously occupying the house, improper maintenance, heavy usage, leaking plumbing fixtures, groundwater infiltration, tree roots, freezing conditions, surface drainage problems, poor initial design, poor construction practices, or unsuitable materials used in constructing the system; the system can also simply stop working because of its age. An SSTS that has been properly designed and installed, properly maintained, and used in the manner for which the system was designed can be expected to provide service for twenty to twenty-five years on average. Some parts of the SSTS such as alarms, switches, pumps, filters, etc. will most likely have to be repaired or replaced over the lifetime of the system.
- 5. A Compliance Inspection is not meant to be a test or inspection for longevity of the system; a Compliance Inspection is strictly for the purpose of determining if the SSTS is protective of public health and safety, as well as the groundwater at the date and time the inspection was performed. This inspection is not intended to determine if the SSTS was originally designed or installed to past or present MPCA or other Local Government Unit code requirements. This inspection is not intended to determine if the SSTS was designed and/or installed to support the anticipated flow from the building as the use of the building may have changed since the design and construction of the SSTS due to the addition of bedrooms, occupants, etc. In addition, this inspection is not intended to determine the quality of the original SSTS design, the quality of the construction practices used while installing the SSTS, or the quality of the materials used in constructing the SSTS.
- 6. Brian L. Humpal, Inc. cannot guarantee the performance of SSTS products/components such as: gravelless pipe, chamber trenches, effluent filters, tanks, sewage pre-treatment components, piping, etc. Products such as gravelless pipe are no longer approved for installation in the State of Minnesota and may have a significantly reduced performance and/or life expectancy.
- 7. WINTER WORK: By accepting this report, it is understood that inspections conducted during winter months (approximately November 1<sup>st</sup> through April 1<sup>st</sup>) are more difficult to perform because of possible snow cover and/or ground frost. SSTS components such as tanks, maintenance covers, tank inspection pipes, subsurface distribution medium inspection pipes, and soil treatment areas are more difficult or impossible to locate due to snow cover and/or ground frost. In addition, soil borings are more difficult to perform due to snow cover and/or ground frost. Brian L. Humpal, Inc. will attempt to use the same level of standards when performing work during winter periods as when performing work during non-winter periods. However, the recipient of this report understands that because of the aforementioned considerations, the same level of standards may not be possible.
- 8. By accepting this report, the client understands that Brian L. Humpal, Inc. will not be responsible for any monetary damages exceeding the fee for the services provided.

## Subsurface Sewage Treatment Systems

Non-transferable

# Business License

## Inspect Minnesota, Midwest Soil Testing

License # L2896

License Expires: 12/22/2017

Issued: 11/29/2016

## Specialty Area(s):

Installer
Maintainer
Service Provider
Advanced Designer
Advanced Inspector

### Designated Certified Individual(s):

Cert #

Name

**Certification Expires:** 

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