Notice of Limited Hydraulic Fracturing and Groundwater Monitoring Well Installation Along E. Jewell Avenue

As part of Brown Group Retail, Inc.'s ongoing groundwater remediation efforts, we want to let you know that Brown Retail's environmental consultant, EnviroGroup, will be drilling four boreholes/groundwater monitoring wells (two in the neighborhood and two on the former Redfield site) beginning on November 17, 2008.

Purpose of Drilling

We are installing these boreholes to allow fracturing of the bedrock in four areas by injecting water under just enough pressure to fracture the rock. Following fracturing by another contractor, FrX, EnviroGroup will complete the boreholes as groundwater monitoring wells and conduct pilot tests of a variety of remedial technologies to evaluate their effectiveness in treating groundwater in the bedrock. We will inject some solutions to degrade residual levels of solvent in the bedrock and also inject food grade oil to encourage natural biodegradation of the solvents. We will work closely with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment throughout the process.

Drilling Locations

One of the offsite wells will be installed on East Jewell Avenue between South Jersey Way and South Jasmine Street. The second offsite well will be installed on South Kearney Street, just north of East Jewell Avenue. It will take approximately 5 to 7 days to install, fracture, and complete all four groundwater monitoring wells. The solutions will be injected at a later date, once we evaluate the fracturing results, finalize the injection plans, and receive final approval from CDPHE.

Minimal Impact to Traffic

We expect the impact to traffic to be minimal and streets will not be closed or blocked. During borehole drilling and well installation, EnviroGroup will place parking signs and traffic cones around active work zones, and work directly with neighbors to minimize parking impacts. Work is scheduled to occur between approximately 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. each weekday.

Monitoring

Once installed, EnviroGroup will sample and test the wells to assess groundwater velocity and flow direction through the underlying bedrock. EnviroGroup will collect groundwater and periodically monitor other groundwater parameters to evaluate treatment effectiveness at each location.

Contact Information

As always, we appreciate your patience and cooperation. Should you have any questions or require any further information, please contact either Ted Kuehster or Garry Stanley at EnviroGroup at 303-790-1340.