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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
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**CERTIFIED – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED (7004 1160 0000 3794 6138)**

Pastor Sterling Mealancon  
Progressive Church  
437 Cohen Avenue  
Marrero, LA 70072

RE: Completion and Termination  
Progressive Church; AI Number 117913  
6539 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
Marrero, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana

Dear Pastor Sterling Mealancon:

The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ), Environmental Technology Division (ETD) has completed its review of all of the relevant documents submitted on your behalf by Waldemar S. Nelson and Company for the successful completion of the Voluntary Remediation Program (VRP). Thank you for providing this information.

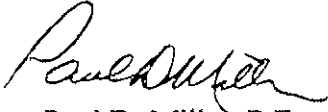
This report concludes the tasks that were required to be performed by the VRP Remedial Action Plan submitted to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality dated May 2007. The LDEQ approves the Voluntary Remedial Action Report and hereby certifies that Progressive Church has completed the approved remedial action work plan in accordance with La. R.S., Title 30, Chapter 12, and Part II.

This letter serves as your Certificate of Completion for the Progressive Church site. This Certificate of Completion is subject to the terms and conditions of the Voluntary Remediation Program. This Certificate of Completion exempts Progressive Church, its successors and assigns from liability under LSA-R.S., Title 30, Chapter 12, Part I.

The LDEQ appreciates your effort in working on, and concluding this project. Please contact Rashaunda Johnson at 225-219-0875 for any questions concerning site issues.

Pastor Sterling Mealancon  
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Paul D. Miller".

Paul D. Miller, P.E.  
Assistant Secretary

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Attachment {Basis of Decision}

c: Imaging Operations-IAS

## BASIS OF DECISION FOR NO FURTHER ACTION

*Progressive Church*  
*AI # 117913*

The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality –Environmental Technology Division (LDEQ-ETD) has determined that Progressive Church requires No Further Action At This Time.

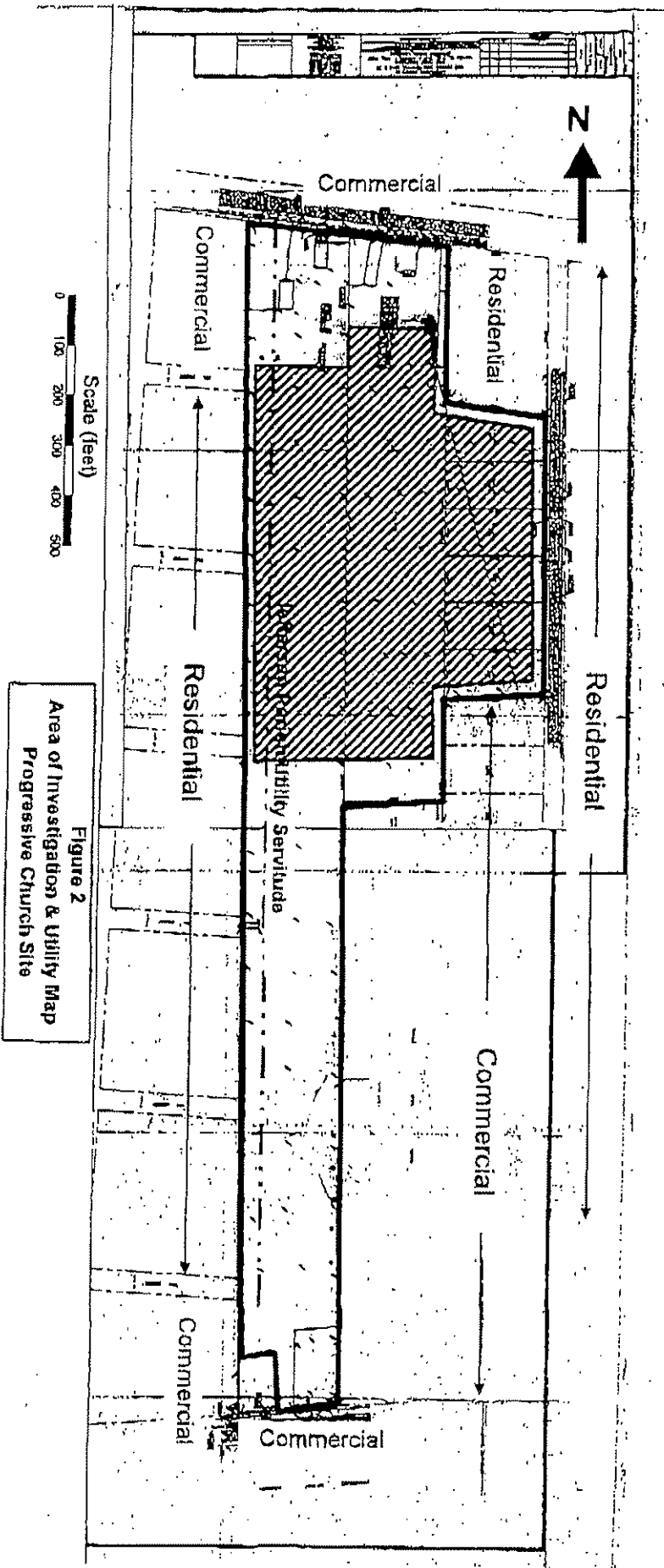
The property was previously used as an auto salvage yard. The salvage yard operation was conducted on the site from 1960's to 2004. Site investigations discovered soil and fill dirt that contained asbestos containing material which was dumped on the site to fill-in low lying areas on portions of the property. The asbestos containing materials were observed in two forms: non-friable cemented transite asbestos and a more friable type cemented material.

Remedial standards were developed for this property using LDEQ's RECAP Screening and Management Option 1. The RECAP site investigation documented that groundwater beneath the AOI met the criteria for Groundwater Classification 3 that does not discharge to surface water used as a drinking water source (GW3NDW). The groundwater sample results documented that COC's did not exceed site-specific RECAP standards for groundwater of this classification. It was determined that further soil remediation was required due to the levels of Lead, Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons-Diesel Range Organics (TPH-DRO) and Oil Range Organics (TPH-ORO), which exceeded established standards. Asbestos in soil in random locations across the site, both friable and non-friable, was identified in several soil borings locations and on the surface across the area of investigation. The asbestos in soil was positively identified through polarized light microscopy analysis. Asbestos is not listed as a RECAP constituent; therefore, asbestos in soil was addressed in a separate remedial action plan. At the completion of the sampling activities, each soil boring and monitoring well location was plugged and abandoned following LDEQ and DOTD guidelines.

Remedial actions taken included: excavation of 60 cubic yards of contaminated soil from Lead, TPH-DRO and TPH-ORO and the resulting void backfilled with clean fill material. Approximately 10,670 cubic yards of soil contaminated with asbestos was removed. The soil contaminated with asbestos was live-loaded for transportation and was not stockpiled on site. A LDEQ certified asbestos inspector was onsite during the excavation activities to visually inspect the exposed underlying surface to assure that asbestos contaminated soil was removed. The resulting void was backfilled with clean fill material. Continuous air monitoring for asbestos fibers was conducted along the downwind perimeter of the excavation. All contaminated soil was disposed of at River Birch Landfill in Avondale, Louisiana. Please see the attached figure for the location of the excavated area.

There are no institutional controls on this property.

An inspection of the site was performed on August 14, 2008 confirming that no investigation derived waste remains on site. The results of the remedial action confirm that there were no constituents of concern remaining on the site and all of the confirmatory samples met the screening standards. No soils may be moved from this location without written authorization from the LDEQ unless they are removed and disposed at a permitted disposal facility.



**Figure 2**  
**Area of Investigation & Utility Map**  
**Progressive Church Site**

\*The highlighted area denotes the area of excavation.\*