

RESOLUTION 1992- 29

WHEREAS, the City of Gothenburg, Dawson County, Nebraska, is very concerned with water quality; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cozad is located within 12 miles of Gothenburg and draws its drinking water from the same aquifer; and

WHEREAS, the Monroe Equipment plant is located in the City of Cozad, and has developed a post closure plan for ground water cleanup, which has been reviewed by the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality; and

WHEREAS, the Gothenburg City Council is aware of the proposed requirements of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), regarding the post closure plan and finds that the proposed requirements result in unnecessary costly testing for substances that have not been discharged into the groundwater by Monroe; and

WHEREAS, Monroe has demonstrated commitment to clean up and properly monitor past discharges;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOTHENBURG, DAWSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The post closure plan adopted by Monroe Equipment Company, and submitted to the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality provides more than adequate clean up and monitoring of ground water, and provides protection to the aquifer and the public.
2. The post closure monitoring requirements proposed by the EPA require monitoring for chemicals that have not been released into the ground water with a cost that is so prohibitive that it threatens the economic viability of the Monroe Equipment plant at Cozad, Nebraska.
3. The post closure monitoring requirements place an undue and inappropriate burden on Monroe Equipment Company that creates a very real threat to economic well being of Dawson County citizens and does not provide either benefit or protection to the citizens or the environment.
4. The City of Gothenburg commends Monroe Equipment Company in its efforts to clean up and monitor prior discharges into the aquifer.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 22ND DAY OF DECEMBER, 1992.

CITY OF GOTHENBURG

BY


RICHARD L. BLASE, MAYOR

ATTEST:


CONNIE STULL, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


MICHAEL L. BACON, CITY ATTY.