


**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

REGION 5

 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD  
 CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

**ACCESS AGREEMENT**
**CONSENT TO SAMPLE AND TAKE RESPONSE ACTIONS  
 FEDERATED METALS CORPORATION WHITING SUPERFUND SITE**

 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Owner or Authorized Representative)

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address(es) of Property(ies): \_\_\_\_\_

I consent to officers, employees, contractors and authorized representatives of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) entering and having continued access to the property described above (the Property) to perform the following response actions: (1) collecting surface soil and subsurface soil samples; (2) inspecting, sketching, and photographing the premises; (3) excavating Property soils if needed; (4) backfilling the excavated area(s) of the Property with clean soil and/or backfill; (5) restoring to their pre-excavation condition grass, other vegetation, or structures altered during sampling or excavation activities; (6) transporting equipment onto and about the property, as necessary to accomplish the activities listed above; and (7) other actions related to the investigation or removal of surface or subsurface contamination.

I realize that these actions taken by EPA are undertaken pursuant to its response and enforcement responsibilities and authorities under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, 42 U.S.C. Section 9601 et seq. These activities are necessary to identify soils impacted by the Federated Metals Corporation Site and to identify soils contaminated with lead, and clean up soils contaminated with lead above to be determined action levels.

I give this written permission voluntarily on behalf of myself (owner) and all other co-owners of the Property with knowledge of my right to refuse and without threats or promises of any kind. I understand that this consent for access and use will commence immediately and will continue until EPA officers, employees, contractors, and authorized representatives have completed activities listed above. I understand that EPA will use its discretion consistent with agency policy to sample residential properties at no cost to homeowners and tenants. Should response actions in addition to sampling be needed, I understand that EPA or authorized representatives of EPA will contact me before the response actions begin to discuss the steps involved for excavation and remedial action, and to review all measures EPA will take to restore my property.

**This document can only be signed by the property owner. Please answer questions on the back side.**

Date

PLEASE CHECK ONLY ONE BOX AND SIGN BELOW

☐ I grant access to my property for sampling and soil removal (if necessary).

☐ I grant access to my property for sampling only.

☐ I do not grant access to my property.

Signature

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The following optional information will help us prioritize and plan for future cleanup of the Property:

**Yes No Unknown**

- ☐ ☐ ☐ There are children under the age of seven years living at this residence.
- ☐ ☐ ☐ There is a pregnant woman living at this residence.
- ☐ ☐ ☐ The property is gated and locked. (We will call or email you when we plan to be at your property so you can let us in.)
- ☐ ☐ ☐ There is a basement or crawlspace on the property.
- ☐ ☐ ☐ There is a sump on this property.
- ☐ ☐ ☐ Soil, fill, or sod has been brought to the property and used for grading. (If so, where? \_\_\_\_\_)

**Privacy Act Statement**

Authority: Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act

Purpose: The information will be used to perform the response actions described on the first page of this Access Agreement.

Routine Uses: This information may be disclosed to Federal, State, local, tribal or other public authorities when necessary to protect the environment or public health or safety, including carrying out an investigation or response, or pursuant to the Routine Uses outlined in the Privacy Act System of Records, System of Records Notices (SORN), Superfund Enterprise Management System (SEMS) EPA-69 and Environmental Assessment of Residential Properties (EARP) EPA-74.

Providing this information is voluntary. Failure to provide information requested may prevent the Agency from being able to assess the individual's eligibility for free soil sampling for lead and other potential contaminants, and free remediation of contaminated soils, if warranted.