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**Local organizations encourage development community to “dig in” with breakfast  
and discussion on new environmental law**

Ypsilanti—Fitzgerald Henne & Associates, Inc. and Michigan Business Connection LLC, are sponsoring a community breakfast to communicate and foster discussion on the changes to the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) standards on environmental law for Phase I studies.

The goal of the breakfast is to educate developers, property owners, real estate professionals and lenders regarding the environmental assessment changes and to analyze how the changes will affect current and future risk in buying property.

Beginning Nov. 1, 2006, the EPA’s “Standards and Practices for All Appropriate Inquiries” goes into effect, which will change standards of environmental site assessments. It will also alter defenses of contamination liability for property purchasers. These changes spawned further revision in Phase I environmental law, which will affect the time and cost associated with checking for contamination.

The breakfast conference will take place on Tuesday, Oct. 10, from 9 to 10:30 a.m., at the Washtenaw Country Club (2955 Packard Road). Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m.

There is no fee for the open-dialogue breakfast, although \$20 check donations to the local Red Cross will be accepted. Registration is preferred, as spaces are limited; however, walk-in guests are welcome.

Other environmental discussion breakfasts will be taking place at various locations and dates during the month of October. To register or to find alternate dates and locations, please e-mail or fax your organization name, names of those attending, address and phone number to [RSVP@donovanandsmith.com](mailto:RSVP@donovanandsmith.com) or 517-485-7354.

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