

Dear Maam:

I have known Gary Smith of Gary's Auto Body for at least 30 years. I have been in and out of his shop helping and just visiting.

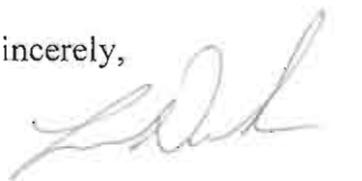
Gary does not do any mechanic work or work on vehicles that would let any contaminants into a floor drain as it would let contaminants into the shop that would contaminate his body and paint work. The only thing that went in the drain was plain water.

Gary would use a garden hose to hand wash vehicles to wash off the dirt that might collect while doing body work and to prepare a vehicle for painting.

There was nothing going down the drain or out on the ground that would contaminate the ground or ground water. There were never any signs of contamination on the ground. The grass was always health around the shop which indicates there was no vehicle waste on the ground or in the drain. If any vehicle needed to be degreased or was extremely dirty Gary took the vehicle to the car wash.

I have personally seen that the floor drains have been filled with sand and permanently sealed off with concrete.

Sincerely,



Lonnie Drescher