

**United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region V
POLLUTION REPORT**

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Subject: Initiation of Fund-Lead Removal

DSC Trenton

1491 W Jefferson, Trenton, MI

Latitude: 42.1636000

Longitude: -83.1703000

POLREP No.:	3	Site #:	B5KV
Reporting Period:		D.O. #:	
Start Date:	5/12/2009	Response Authority:	CERCLA
Mob Date:	5/12/2009	Response Type:	Time-Critical
Demob Date:		NPL Status:	Non NPL
Completion Date:		Incident Category:	Removal Action
CERCLIS ID #:		Contract #	
RCRIS ID #:			

Site Description

The DSC-Trenton Site (aka Detroit Steel Co formerly McLouth Steel) is a former steel production facility located at 1491 West Jefferson Avenue, Trenton, Michigan.

On January 31, 2008, DSC completed the voluntary removal of 1,091 containers of waste; however, attempts by EPA to enter into an administrative order on consent with DSC for the removal of PCB transformers and 3,700 PCB capacitors were unsuccessful and on September 2, 2008 EPA issued a unilateral administrative order (V-W-08-C-909).

On October 3, 2008, DSC agreed to comply with the UAO, and a work plan (Work Plan for Removal of PCB Equipment and Related Materials) was submitted to and approved by EPA that included the progressive removal of PCB containing equipment.

On March 2, 2009, EPA issued a failure to comply letter to DSC for failing to comply with the removal schedule. On March 26, 2009, DSC informed EPA that funding was unavailable to complete the removal work.

Current Activities

On May 12, 2009, EPA mobilized to the site to perform a hazard analysis of each transformer location and the capacitor mezzanine.

Planned Removal Actions

- 1) During the week of May 18, EPA will sample each of the transformers for disposal,
- 2) Pending sample results, no work will occur on site during the weeks of May 25 or June 1,
- 3) Beginning the week of June 8, EPA will drain the transformers and arrange for disposal,
- 4) Following removal of transformer oils, EPA will begin disposal of capacitors.

Next Steps

Finalize work plan and health and safety plan.

Estimated Costs *

	Budgeted	Total To Date	Remaining	% Remaining
Extramural Costs				
ERRS - Cleanup Contractor	\$300,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$295,000.00	98.33%
START	\$25,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$24,000.00	96.00%
Intramural Costs				
Total Site Costs	\$325,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$319,000.00	98.15%

* The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The OSC does not necessarily receive specific figures on final payments made to any contractor(s). Other financial data which the OSC must rely upon may not be entirely up-to-date. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

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