

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region II
POLLUTION REPORT

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Subject: SPECIAL #3: Final POLREP Marking Completion of Removal Action
Frasier Paint & Paper Soil Site
5 Logan Avenue, Glens Falls, NY
Latitude: 43.3177167
Longitude: -73.6527667

POLREP No.:	25	Site #:	YY
Reporting Period:		D.O. #:	079
Start Date:	9/21/2009	Response Authority:	CERCLA
Mob Date:	9/21/2009	Response Type:	Time-Critical
Demob Date:	11/4/2009	NPL Status:	Non NPL
Completion Date:	11/4/2009	Incident Category:	Removal Action
CERCLIS ID #:	NYN000206215	Contract #	EP-W-04-055
RCRIS ID #:			

Site Description

In September, 2007, NYSDEC Region 5 rep. Mike McClean contacted the EPA Region 2 Regional Response Center and requested EPA assistance with an abandoned paint store in the City of Glens Falls, NY. The building had been acquired by the City through a tax foreclosure and the dangerous condition of the building was discovered by while the property was being evaluated for a Brownfields redevelopment Grant.

The building was located in the center of a residential area, adjacent to an elementary school and ball field. The materials inside the building were identified by DEC and Brownfields assessors as paint and solvents.

On September 20, 2007, OSC Eric Daly met with NYSDEC and City officials and performed a preliminary assessment of the building. OSC Daly observed that the roof structure was deteriorated and that approximately 1,000 rusted containers of paint and solvent were haphazardly stacked throughout the facility. EPA conducted air monitoring along the perimeter of the building, inside the premises, and along the school grounds.

The building consisted of the main level, a partial basement, and an attic. The entire structure was unstable. The roof was dramatically bowed and perforated and the main room ceiling was collapsing. Containers of solvents and leaking/rusted containers of paint and unknown substances were located on all 3 levels and haphazardly stacked.

EPA was officially requested to conduct a removal action by the Mayor of Glens Falls, the Glens Falls Fire Department, and the Principal of Sanford Street Elementary School. NYSDEC issued a verbal referral of the site to EPA on September 20, 2007, and, based on the verbal referral, on September 20, 2007, ERRD Director G. Pavlou gave a verbal authorization to proceed with a removal action. A formal written referral was received by EPA on September 21, 2007.

EPA mobilized its ERRS contractor on September 24, 2007. Initial efforts focused on stabilizing the structure and identifying/consolidating the containers. All hazardous substances were packaged into cubic-yard boxes, staged in Conex shipping containers in an adjacent parking lot, and shipped off-Site for disposal. On October 10, 2007 the removal action was completed.

The City demolished the empty structure in the fall of 2007, and hired a consultant to perform a Phase II soil analysis. On June 24, 2008, the City received a report which revealed the presence of elevated levels of mercury in the soil underneath the footprint of the building. Following the release of this report, EPA received a written request from the City for assistance in removing the contaminated soil, and a written referral of the Site to EPA from the NYSDEC for additional removal work was sent on 8/6/2008. Following receipt of that request, EPA conducted a removal assessment of the Site, including the acquisition of numerous soil and paint samples which were tested for hazardous constituents. Based on the analytical results and the close proximity of a public school, a decision was made to initiate a response action. This decision is documented in an Action Memo which was signed on 8/18/2009.

Current Activities

The back-fill has been rolled and compacted to it's final consistency. All crew and equipment have been demobilized from the Site. The Mayor of Glens Falls and the Community Relations Coordinator visited the Site to view the final product of the removal action. City officials were very pleased with the work EPA has done and expressed their appreciation. K. Skopek of the EPA-HRFO gave a statement to the local news regarding the completion of the removal action.

Planned Removal Actions

Send letters to the Mayor of Glens Falls, NY and the NYSDEC to inform them of the successful conclusion of this removal action.

Next Steps

See above.

Key Issues

None.

Disposition of Wastes

Waste Stream	Quantity	Manifest #	Disposal Facility
concrete flooring with lead paint coating	30 cubic yards on 10/8/2009	n/a	Ontario (NY) County Landfill, Stanley, NY
mercury-contaminated soil	45 cubic yards on 10/15/2009	n/a	Town of Colonie (NY) Landfill, Cohoes, NY
low-level radioactive fly-ash	60 cubic yards on 10/12/2009	n/a	Republic Services SLF, Lowellville, OH 44436
low-level radioactive fly-ash	30 cubic yards on 10/13/2009	n/a	Republic Services SLF, Lowellville, OH 44436
lead-paint chips (D008)	25 pounds on 10/13/2009	005834556 JJK	EQ-Detroit, MI MID 980126164
low-level radioactive fly-ash	30 cubic yards on 10/14/2009	n/a	Republic Services SLF, Lowellville, OH 44436
low-level radioactive fly-ash	30 cubic yards on 10/15/2009	n/a	Republic Services SLF, Lowellville, OH 44436
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mercury-contaminated soil	45 cubic yards on 10/16/2009	n/a	Town of Colonie (NY) Landfill, Cohoes, NY
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mercury-contaminated soil	45 cubic yards on 10/20/2009	n/a	Town of Colonie (NY) Landfill, Cohoes, NY
concrete flooring with lead paint coating	10 cubic yards on 10/22/2009	n/a	Ontario (NY) County Landfill, Stanley, NY

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