## United States Environmental Protection Agency Region IV POLLUTION REPORT

Date: Monday, December 14, 2009

From: Leonardo Ceron, On Scene Coordinator

**Subject:** Transition to Removal

Powder Springs Road Plating

5491 Austell Power Springs Road, Austell, GA

Latitude: 33.8200496 Longitude: -84.6419656

**POLREP No.:** 7 **Site #:** B443

**Reporting Period:** December 6-11, 2009 **D.O.** #:

Start Date:10/23/2009Response Authority:CERCLAMob Date:10/23/2009Response Type:EmergencyDemob Date:NPL Status:Non NPLCompletion Date:Incident Category:Removal Action

CERCLIS ID #: Contract #

RCRIS ID #:

#### **Site Description**

This chrome-electroplater is located at 5491 Powder Springs Road, Austell, Georgia. On September 24, 2009, this area experienced high flood waters reaching the roof of the facility as evidenced by water marks and a drum on the roof of the building. Sweetwater Creek is adjacent to the property. The site includes two open warehouses and an office trailer, which were severely damaged by the flood. Outside of the warehouses there are two concrete pits, one circular and one rectangular, both containing liquid. These pits are believed to be part of the facility's waste water treatment system.

#### **Current Activities**

ER personnel continued to remove the soil from the vicinity of the large plating operations building to stockpiles covered with plastic sheeting for future characterization and disposal. Sampling was conducted to further characterize the concrete of the three main buildings and the asphalt areas surrounding the buildings. All samples were submitted for speciated Chromium 6 analysis. Analytical results have identified Chromium 6 contamination. To Date approximatley 2,400 galons of F listed waste have been transported to a RCRA approved disposal facility.

### **START**

START conducted air monitoring activities using three DataRAMs.

Particulate monitoring using the DataRAMs has indicated no readings above action levels. Sampling was conducted from the soils surrounding and underneath the concrete pad in the main plating operations building. Additional soils samples were collected from exposed soils between the road and the site buildings. Any exposed soil areas within the Site were sampled via five oint composites. Analytical results have identified Chromium 6 contamination.

#### **Planned Removal Actions**

Continued assessment -

Once analytical data confirms actionable levels of Chromium 6 contaminant, a possible removal action may proceed. The removal action may include removal of concrete flooring inside and outside of the facility, removal of asphalt throughout parking lot and exposed soil in migration pathways.

Disposal of the existing overpacked and staged chemicals on will occur by December, 23, 2009.

#### **Next Steps**

Evaluation of Analytical data is currently being conducted by the EPA's R4 Technical Support Section, to determine the potential risk and threat associated with the identified Chromium 6 contamination at the Site.

### **Key Issues**

hexavalent chromium in sediments and soils hexavalent chromium data from concrete and soils

# Trespassers and vandalism

# **Disposition of Wastes**

Waste Stream	Quantity	Manifest #	Disposal Facility
Chromic Acid liquids	2462 gal		
Neutral Liquids	556		
Oil	550		
Basic Solids	318		
Basic Liquids	186		
Acidic Solids	28		
Cyanide Solids	8		
Non Haz debris	30 yd3		

response.epa.gov/PowderSpringsRoadPlating