

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
POLLUTION/SITUATION REPORT  
Abitibi Bowater Black Liquor - Removal Polrep  
Initial and Final Removal Polrep



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
Region IV

**Subject:** POLREP #1  
Initial and Final Report  
Abitibi Bowater Black Liquor  
B456  
Calhoun, TN  
Latitude: 36.8990016 Longitude: -81.3304112

**To:**  
**From:** Subash Patel, OSC  
**Date:** 12/31/2009  
**Reporting Period:** 12/30/2009 to 12/31/2009

1. Introduction

1.1 Background

<b>Site Number:</b>	B456	<b>Contract Number:</b>	
<b>D.O. Number:</b>		<b>Action Memo Date:</b>	
<b>Response Authority:</b>	CERCLA	<b>Response Type:</b>	Emergency
<b>Response Lead:</b>	PRP	<b>Incident Category:</b>	
<b>NPL Status:</b>	Non NPL	<b>Operable Unit:</b>	
<b>Mobilization Date:</b>	12/30/2009	<b>Start Date:</b>	12/30/2009
<b>Demob Date:</b>	12/30/2009	<b>Completion Date:</b>	12/31/2009
<b>CERCLIS ID:</b>		<b>RCRIS ID:</b>	
<b>ERNS No.:</b>		<b>State Notification:</b>	
<b>FPN#:</b>		<b>Reimbursable Account #:</b>	

1.1.1 Incident Category

Above Ground Storage Tank Release

1.1.2 Site Description

Paper Processing Facility

1.1.2.1 Location

5020 Hwy 11 South, Calhoun, TN, 37309

1.1.2.2 Description of Threat

Approximately 220,000 gallons of black liquor process solution containing 3% sodium hydroxide was released into earthen secondary containment.

1.1.3 Preliminary Removal Assessment/Removal Site Inspection Results

Solution is being released into secondary containment. PRP reinforced containment. Hepaco minimized release at the valve. A specialized equipment firm was brought to seal the valve and stop the release.

2. Current Activities

2.1 Operations Section

2.1.1 Narrative

John Griffey of Abitibi Bowater made notification of the spill event. Abitibi Bowater hired Hepaco to conduct appropriate response action.

2.1.2 Response Actions to Date

Hepaco minimized release at the valve. A specialized equipment firm was then brought in to seal off the release at the valve. The facility intends to reclaim all of the released material and reuse it in process on site.

2.1.3 Enforcement Activities, Identity of Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs)

PRP is Abitibi Bowater. Address is 5020 Hwy 11 South, Calhoun, TN, 37309. Contact person is John Griffey. Phone number is 423-650-0158.

#### 2.1.4 Progress Metrics

<i><b>Waste Stream</b></i>	<i><b>Medium</b></i>	<i><b>Quantity</b></i>	<i><b>Manifest #</b></i>	<i><b>Treatment</b></i>	<i><b>Disposal</b></i>

## 2.2 Planning Section

### 2.2.1 Anticipated Activities

Facility intends to reclaim all of the released material and reuse it in the process on site. Hepaco is scheduled to return on 12/31/2009 and conduct the bulk transfer back into the sound tank.

#### 2.2.1.1 Planned Response Activities

See above.

#### 2.2.1.2 Next Steps

See above

#### 2.2.2 Issues

None.

## 2.3 Logistics Section

No information available at this time.

## 2.4 Finance Section

No information available at this time.

## 2.5 Other Command Staff

No information available at this time.

## 3. Participating Entities

No information available at this time.

## 4. Personnel On Site

No information available at this time.

## 5. Definition of Terms

No information available at this time.

## 6. Additional sources of information

No information available at this time.

## 7. Situational Reference Materials

No information available at this time.