

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
POLLUTION/SITUATION REPORT
American Sign Oil Spill - Removal Polrep
Initial and Final Removal Polrep



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
Region V

Subject: **POLREP #1**
Initial and Final
American Sign Oil Spill
Toledo, OH
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Reporting Period: 3/9/2010 - 3/12/2010

1. Introduction

1.1 Background

Site Number:		Contract Number:	
D.O. Number:		Action Memo Date:	
Response Authority:	OPA	Response Type:	Emergency
Response Lead:	EPA	Incident Category:	Removal Action
NPL Status:	Non NPL	Operable Unit:	
Mobilization Date:	3/9/2010	Start Date:	3/11/2010
Demob Date:	3/12/2010	Completion Date:	3/12/2010
CERCLIS ID:		RCRIS ID:	
ERNS No.:		State Notification:	3/9/2010
FPN#:	E10511	Reimbursable Account #:	

1.1.1 Incident Category

Emergency Removal Action

1.1.2 Site Description

The American Sign Company is located at 205 W. Alexis Road in Toledo, Ohio. The building consists of a dozen garage bays with different businesses operating in each. Many of these businesses have automotive fluids, mostly oils spilling into trenches that flow into storm sewer and eventually out to the Silver Creek which is a tributary to the Ottawa River.

1.1.2.1 Location

The Site is located at 205 W. Alexis Road, City of Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio. The Site is in a mixed commercial and residential area on the south side of Alexis Road between Telegraph and Bennett Roads.

1.1.2.2 Description of Threat

Oil spilled in the storm water collection system on site was discharging into the City of Toledo's storm sewer system and out to Silver Creek which is a tributary to the the Ottawa River. The property owner mobilized a contractor to pump out the storm drain and place additional boom. The storm drain catch basins filled with oil again the next day, again threatening the Silver Creek.

1.1.3 Preliminary Removal Assessment/Removal Site Inspection Results

On March 9, 2010 the City of Toledo responded to a complaint at 205 W. Alexis Road in the City of Toledo. Oil was discharging into the City's storm sewer and ultimately to the Silver Creek from the Site. City of Toledo contacted Ohio EPA who conducted their own assessment and requested assistance from U.S. EPA on March 10, 2010. U.S. EPA in coordination with the City of Toledo and Ohio EPA worked with the property owner. The property owner hired a contractor who removed began work but demobilized when the property owner was unable to pay for their work.

2. Current Activities

2.1 Operations Section

2.1.1 Narrative

The City of Toledo received a complaint regarding an oil spill at the Site on March 9, 2010. The oil was entering the City's storm sewer and discharging into the Silver Creek by way of trenches and catch basins in the garages at the Site. The Site consists of twelve attached garage bays with a number of tenants using oil and other automotive fluids.

The City of Toledo initially responded and placed an adsorbent boom at the discharge point of the storm drain in the creek. On March 10, 2010 EPA region 5 was notified and OSC Lall responded. The property owner was contacted and she mobilized a local contractor to pump out the storm drain and place additional boom. On March 11, 2010 the storm drain catch basins had again filled up with oil leaching out of the trenches at the Site. Property owner did not have additional funding and declined to respond further.

2.1.2 Response Actions to Date

The property owner mobilized a contractor who initiated cleanup of the oil by removing the oil from some catch basins and storm sewer lines. This contractor ceased operations when it appeared that the property owner would not have the funds for payment. U.S. EPA completed the cleanup by removing oil from impacted catch basins, trenches, and storm sewer lines on March 11, 2010. U.S. EPA resumed cleanup activities on the morning of March 12, 2010 by pressure washing the catch basins and trenches. Work was completed on March 12, 2010

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

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Toledo, Ohio 43615

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205 W. Alexis Road
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American Youth for Christ
32355 New Castle Drive
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Triad
205 W. Alexis Road
Toledo, Ohio 43612

2.1.4 Progress Metrics

Waste Stream	Medium	Quantity	Manifest #	Treatment	Disposal
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Oil and Water	liquid	900 gallons		recycling	
Oiled Soil and Debris	Solid	four 55-g drums			

2.2 Planning Section

2.2.1 Anticipated Activities

N/A

2.2.1.1 Planned Response Activities

Response Completed on March 12, 2010

2.2.1.2 Next Steps

None.

2.2.2 Issues

None.

2.3 Logistics Section

No information available at this time.

2.4 Finance Section

2.4.1 Narrative

Owner was no longer financially viable to continue cleanup activities. OPA fund was opened for \$25,000.

2.5 Other Command Staff

2.5.1 Safety Officer

OSC Lippert

2.6 Liaison Officer

OSC Lippert

2.7 Information Officer

2.7.1 Public Information Officer

OSC Lippert

2.7.2 Community Involvement Coordinator

N/A

3. Participating Entities

3.1 Unified Command

Unified Command was not utilized.

3.2 Cooperating Agencies

City of Toledo Department of Public Utilities, Division of Environmental Services

Ohio EPA

4. Personnel On Site

C&W Tank Cleaning - 5 workers

City of Toledo - 4 workers

U.S. EPA - 1 OSC

Tennants - Approximately 12

Owner - 1

5. Definition of Terms

OPA - Oil Pollution Act

U.S. EPA - United States Environmental Protection Agency

Ohio EPA - State of Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

6. Additional sources of information

6.1 Internet location of additional information/report

None.

6.2 Reporting Schedule

N/A

7. Situational Reference Materials

OPA

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