

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region II
POLLUTION REPORT

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Subject: Heller Heat Treating
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POLREP No.:	8	Site #:	A213
Reporting Period:	9/25/2009 - 11/19/2009	D.O. #:	0076
Start Date:	4/24/2009	Response Authority:	CERCLA/OPA
Mob Date:	4/27/2009	Response Type:	Emergency
Demob Date:		NPL Status:	Non NPL
Completion Date:		Incident Category:	Removal Action
CERCLIS ID #:	NJD002142412	Contract #	EP-W-04-055
RCRIS ID #:		Reimbursable Account #	
FPN#			

Site Description

See POLREPs 1 and 2.

Current Activities

- The Request for Proposals (RFPs) for transportation and disposal (T&D) of the drummed wastes, lab-pack/loose-pack containers and bulk liquids were awarded on 11/3/09. Loose pack and lab pack waste shipments will be made as soon as feasible pending Off-Site Compliance Rule checks.
- Drum removal activities continued this period. Drums were over-packed, labeled, re-staged, manifested and loaded as required for the execution of T&D activities. A total of 3 loads (box trucks) of drums were shipped for disposal as of between 11/11/09.
- Shipment of drummed wastes was initiated on 10/28/2009. The majority of the work completed for this period included over-packing, labeling, re-staging, manifesting and loading of drums required for the execution of T&D activities. A total of 6 loads (box trucks) of drums have been shipped for disposal as of 11/6/09.
- Three vacuum tanker loads of approximately 15,000 gallons of hazardous waste liquids have been shipped off-site during this period. The liquids were hazardous for cadmium, chromium, and tetrachloroethylene and carried waste codes for D006, D007, and D039.
- Five 25 cubic yard roll-offs (approximately 110 tons) of waste solids were confirmed to be non-RCRA hazardous via laboratory analytical results and were shipped for disposal during this period. Materials in these roll-offs consisted of solids recovered from underneath the plating lines, drums of spent austemper salts and wastes recovered from three air scrubber units found on-site.
- Non-hazardous debris removal activities continue. Debris such as wood pallets, cardboard, paper, pieces of sheetrock and insulation etc. is being inspected for hazardous materials/containers as it is being removed and loaded into 30 cubic yard roll-off containers. The debris clean-up is being conducted in order to reduce the potential fire loading at the facility, to ensure all hazardous materials containers have been located and/or removed, and to clear building floors for preliminary decontamination
- Floor sweeping activities were completed during the week of 11/16/09. A skid-steer mounted with a rotary broom was used to sweep potentially contaminated dust from all floors on the first level of the buildings. The dust piles were sampled and are currently being stored within each of the buildings pending

analytical results.

- A single 30 cubic yard roll-off container of filter press solids was shipped for off-site disposal on 11/18/2009. This container had previously been abandoned on-site by Alfred Heller Heat Treating. EPA assumed responsibility for disposal of this material as part of the Removal Action.

- EPA mobilized the Removal Support Team (RST) to initiate sampling and assessment activities. A sampling plan is currently being developed to investigate areas beneath production equipment that are suspected of subsurface contamination.

- The Site was secured and the crew was demobilized on 11/19/09 in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. The crew will be remobilized on 11/30/2009. RST will continue work on-site during the 11/23/09 week as necessary to plan the logistics of the sampling operations.

Planned Removal Actions

- Continue drum removal activities, austemper salt recovery operations, equipment decontamination, and clean-out of the below-grade sumps and pits.
- Sample waste streams generated during decontamination as necessary.
- Continue waste analysis and waste profiling activities and soliciting subcontracts for transportation and disposal as necessary.

Next Steps

Remobilize the ERRS Contractor and resume site activities on 11/30/2009. Continue planned removal activities as stated above.

Key Issues

The ERRS project ceiling was increased from \$950,000 to \$1,050,000 on 11/9/2009.

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