

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
 POLLUTION/SITUATION REPORT
 Harpur Hill Road Asbestos Dumping Site - Removal Polrep



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
 Region II

Subject: POLREP #4
 #2 SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION - FINAL DISPOSAL
 Harpur Hill Road Asbestos Dumping Site
 A259
 Harpursville, NY
 Latitude: 42.1381275 Longitude: -75.5728300

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Date: 11/18/2010

Reporting Period:

1. Introduction

1.1 Background

Site Number: A259 **Contract Number:** EP-S2-10-01
D.O. Number: **Action Memo Date:**
Response Authority: CERCLA **Response Type:** Emergency
Response Lead: EPA **Incident Category:** Removal Action
NPL Status: Non NPL **Operable Unit:**
Mobilization Date: 11/1/2010 **Start Date:** 11/1/2010
Demob Date: 11/3/2010 **Completion Date:** 11/3/2010
CERCLIS ID: NYC200400695 **RCRIS ID:**
ERNS No.: **State Notification:**
FPN#: **Reimbursable Account #:**

1.1.1 Incident Category

This is a release involving the illegal disposal of asbestos and asbestos-containing material (ACM).

1.1.2 Site Description

A branch of the NY State Dept. of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) requested EPA removal support to remediate 14 bags of friable asbestos containing material (ACM) dumped under an unoccupied trailer in Harpursville, Broome County, NY, approximately 10 miles northeast of Binghamton, NY. The ACM consists of what appears to be friable insulation and floor tiles. EPA OSCs coordinated the removal and disposal activities with the NYSDEC and NYS Dept. of Labor.

EPA responded to the request by sending two OSCs and a clean-up contractor to the Site to overpack the bags of ACM and transport them to a permitted disposal facility.

1.1.2.1 Location

See above.

1.1.2.2 Description of Threat

Release of asbestos and ACM to the environment and the general public being exposed to ACM from improper handling of the garbage bags.

1.1.3 Preliminary Removal Assessment/Removal Site Inspection Results

Upon arriving at the Site the OSCs observed 14 single-wrapped black plastic garbage bags filled with wetted ACM. Although some of the bags had broken open, an examination of the ground under and near the bags did not reveal any asbestos contamination.

2. Current Activities

2.1 Operations Section

2.1.1 Narrative

THE PURPOSE OF THIS POLREP IS ONLY TO ADD ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION TO THE RECORD AS HIGHLIGHTED IN SECTION 2.1.2 BELOW.

2.1.2 Response Actions to Date

A verbal authorization for \$150,000 in response mitigation funds has been given by Walter Mugdan, Director ERRD, on November 1, 2010. A DCN has been assigned and the ERRS contractor has been notified to respond to the Site NLT noon on 11/2/2010.

On 11/3/2010 EPA ERRS contractor personnel with Kemron Environmental Services met the OSCs at the Site. ERRS crew double bagged each of the 14 bags and bulked them into 55-gallon salvage drums. EPA RCRA waste labels and DOT shipping labels were affixed and the drums were transported to Sunstream Corp in Binghamton, NY for temporary storage while DEC investigators examined the contents of the bags. The ACM will be transported to the Broome County LF for final disposal on 11/4/2010.

Documentation has been received which confirms the bags of ACM have been disposed of at the Broome County Landfill in Binghamton, NY.

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

This incident is being investigated by state and federal law enforcement agencies. Information obtained from this investigation will be given to the OSCs for possible cost-recovery action.

2.1.4 Progress Metrics

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Waste Stream	Medium	Quantity	Manifest #	Treatment	Disposal
Asbestos	solid	= 200 lbs	KEM0001	none	landfill

2.2 Planning Section

2.2.1 Anticipated Activities

None, the removal action is completed.

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

TBD

2.4 Finance Section

No information available at this time.

2.5 Other Command Staff

2.5.1 Safety Officer

A HASP has been generated and all provisions were followed during removal activities.

2.6 Liaison Officer

EPA OSCs interacted with state and local authorities.

2.7 Information Officer

2.7.1 Public Information Officer

Public information will continue to be made available through the EPA OSC website and any subsequent POLREPs.

2.7.2 Community Involvement Coordinator

N/A

3. Participating Entities

3.1 Unified Command

N/A

3.2 Cooperating Agencies

NYSDEC

NY Dept. of Labor, Asbestos Control Bureau.

4. Personnel On Site

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Gerald Leahy, NYSDOL

Rick Petty and two techs, ERRS contractor Kemron Environmental Services, Marietta, GA

5. Definition of Terms

N/A

6. Additional sources of information

6.1 Internet location of additional information/report

N/A

6.2 Reporting Schedule

TBD

7. Situational Reference Materials

Google map of the area is found at:

http://maps.google.com/maps?F=q&source=s_q&hl=en&geocode=&q=202+Harpur+Hill+Road,+Nineveh,+NY&sl=37.0625,-95.677068&sspn=34.861942,78.837891&ie=UTF8&hq=&hnear=202+Harpur+Hill+Rd,+Nineveh,+Broome,+New+York+13813&ll=42.137552,-75.569952&spn=0.007972,0.019248&z=16