

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
POLLUTION/SITUATION REPORT
ZXP Technologies FPN E12611 - Removal Polrep
Initial and Final Removal Polrep



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
Region VI

Subject: **POLREP #1**
Initial and Final
ZXP Technologies FPN E12611

Highlands, TX
Latitude: 29.8157200 Longitude: -95.0526400

To:

From: Eric Delgado, OSC

Date: 2/19/2012

Reporting Period: 19 February 2012

1. Introduction

1.1 Background

Site Number:	Contract Number:
D.O. Number:	Action Memo Date:
Response Authority: OPA	Response Type: Emergency
Response Lead:	Incident Category:
NPL Status:	Operable Unit:
Mobilization Date: 2/19/2012	Start Date:
Demob Date: 2/19/2012	Completion Date:
CERCLIS ID:	RCRIS ID:
ERNS No.:	State Notification:
FPN#: E12611	Reimbursable Account #:

1.1.1 Incident Category

Discharge of water and oil from an operating facility.

1.1.2 Site Description

ZXP Technologies is a formulation and repackaging facility of oil products. The facility is in an area of mixed commercial and residential use.

1.1.2.1 Location

The facility is located at 409 E. Wallisville Road, Highlands, Harris County, Texas.

1.1.2.2 Description of Threat

The facility discharged a mixture of oil and water into a ditch that flows into/becomes Spring Bayou, a tributary of Burnet Bay, Burnet Bay is a tributary of Trinity Bay.

1.1.3 Preliminary Removal Assessment/Removal Site Inspection Results

Harris County Pollution Control and EPA are conducting criminal investigations of the discharge. The RP's contractor is monitoring downstream booms and removing residue from near discharge point.

2. Current Activities

2.1 Operations Section

2.1.1 Narrative

At 0900 hours ZXP Technologies reported to the NRC (Report # 1003406) that a coupling became disconnected causing the release of 50 gallons of oil into an unnamed ditch due to a pipe coupling becoming unhooked. Additional evaluation by Harris County Pollution Control indicated that additional investigation was required.

2.1.2 Response Actions to Date

The RP's contractor, SWS, has deployed booms south of Battlebell Road at the east end of Listi Road. An additional boom was deployed south of State Route 330. Harris County Pollution Control has collected soil and water samples at the discharge point and from the source.

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

Harris County Pollution Control is investigating the discharge as potentially being an intentional release by ZXP Technologies.

2.1.4 Progress Metrics

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

2.2 Planning Section

2.2.1 Anticipated Activities

2.2.1.1 Planned Response Activities

The RP's contractor will remove the oil from the ditch and monitor the booms through the next couple of rain events under the direction of the TCEQ. The EPA's criminal investigation will provide assistance to the local investigators upon request.

2.2.1.2 Next Steps

Assist local agencies with their investigations as assistance is requested.

2.2.2 Issues

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

3.1 Unified Command

3.2 Cooperating Agencies

Harris County Pollution Control
United States Coast Guard
Texas General Land Office
Highlands Fire Department
EPA Criminal Investigation
Railroad Commission of Texas

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

6.1 Internet location of additional information/report

<http://www.epaosc.org/Zxptech>

6.2 Reporting Schedule

7. Situational Reference Materials

No information available at this time.