

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
POLLUTION/SITUATION REPORT
Scott Auto Sales - Removal Polrep
Initial Removal Polrep



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
Region II

Subject: POLREP #1
Modified Site Assessment.
Scott Auto Sales

Northumberland, NY
Latitude: 43.1768633 Longitude: -73.6539510

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Reporting Period:

1. Introduction

1.1 Background

Site Number:	Contract Number:
D.O. Number:	Action Memo Date:
Response Authority: OPA	Response Type: Pre-Deployment
Response Lead: EPA	Incident Category: Removal Assessment
NPL Status: Non NPL	Operable Unit:
Mobilization Date:	Start Date: 5/24/2012
Demob Date:	Completion Date:
CERCLIS ID:	RCRIS ID:
ERNS No.:	State Notification:
FPN#:	Reimbursable Account #:

1.1.1 Incident Category

Abandoned drums of automotive chemicals including waste oil and other lubricants.

1.1.2 Site Description

The Site is a former automotive supply store and repair shop.

1.1.2.1 Location

The Site is located in Northumberland, Saratoga County, NY, a semi-rural area amidst residential and light commercial properties. It is bordered on County highway #50 on the south and an un-named brook on the north.

There are private residences on the east and west sides of the Site.

1.1.2.2 Description of Threat

The threat is a release of oil based materials overland into the brook and thence into the Hudson River, approx. 2 miles to the east.

1.1.3 Preliminary Removal Assessment/Removal Site Inspection Results

Preliminary observations of the Site revealed the presence of approx. 200 containers of what appears to be waste oil. Containers vary from 5-gallons up to 250 gallon home heating oil tanks. In addition there are some containers of automotive chemicals and other chemicals. The Site is owned but has been abandoned by the owner. There is no electricity in the building and no functioning fire or smoke detectors. There is no business being conducted so there is no one present to monitor fire or flood conditions.

In addition, there is evidence of drums and other containers having been buried in a filled-in area adjacent to

the brook.

2. Current Activities

2.1 Operations Section

2.1.1 Narrative

2.1.2 Response Actions to Date

A brief walk-thru assessment was conducted by an EPA OSC and a rep with the NYSDEC.

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

There is one identified RP, the owner of the Site, one Skip Biss who lives in nearby Greenwich, NY. A second PRP may be the owners brother, and a 3rd PRP may be the owner of the second business that operated in the building, American Muscle Cars. The DEC is searching tax records for the Site and will forward same to EPA.

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

This information will be passed to Branch management which will make a decision whether to respond to this situation.

2.2.1.1 Planned Response Activities

TBD

2.2.1.2 Next Steps

TBD

2.2.2 Issues

TBD

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

NYSDEC

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.

