

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
POLLUTION/SITUATION REPORT
Hoosier Wood Preservers ER - Removal Polrep



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
Region V

Subject: POLREP #4
Progress Report
Hoosier Wood Preservers ER

Indianapolis, IN
Latitude: 39.7224100 Longitude: -86.2212300

To:
From: Shelly Lam, On-Scene Coordinator
Date: 6/1/2015
Reporting Period: May 30 - June 1, 2015

1. Introduction

1.1 Background

Site Number:	C57K	Contract Number:	EP-S5-09-05
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:	5/26/2015	Start Date:	5/26/2015
Demob Date:		Completion Date:	
CERCLIS ID:	INN000505835	RCRIS ID:	IND075982975
ERNS No.:		State Notification:	
FPN#:		Reimbursable Account #:	

1.1.1 Incident Category

Emergency Response at Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) Incident Category: Manufacturing/Processing/Maintenance - Lumber and wood products/wood preserving/treatment

1.1.2 Site Description

The site is the former Hoosier Wood Preservers. The facility operated from 1969 to 2013 as a wood treating business that used chromated copper arsenate (CCA) and borate in pressurized wood treatment cylinders. Historically, the facility also used creosote and pentachlorophenol to treat wood. The facility has been abandoned since 2013.

The site is 7.75 acres in size and has ten buildings, including process buildings, storage buildings, a garage, and office. A site map is posted to the Documents section of www.epaossc.org/hoosierwoodpreservers.

1.1.2.1 Location

Hoosier Wood Preservers is located at 3605 Farnsworth Street in Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana. Site coordinates are 39.7224100 degrees north latitude and 86.2212300 degrees west longitude. The site is located approximately 3.5 miles southwest of downtown Indianapolis.

The surrounding area is primarily industrial, although commercial properties are located to the south. Residential properties are within 200 feet to the east and northeast.

1.1.2.2 Description of Threat

See Pollution Report (PolRep) #1.

1.1.3 Preliminary Removal Assessment/Removal Site Inspection Results

See PolReps #1 and #3.

2. Current Activities

2.1 Operations Section

2.1.1 Narrative

See PolRep #1.

2.1.2 Response Actions to Date

The following describes response actions May 30 - June 1. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

did not work on Sunday, May 31 because the crew ran out of over-pack drums and storage space in the Conex boxes.

On May 30, 2015, EPA and its contractors:

- Collected and conducted hazard categorization (haz-cat) on 10 samples. One sample tested positive for oxidizers and one tested positive for flammability;
- Continued over-packing degraded containers;
- Performed Level C entries; and
- Continued reconnaissance and staging containers into Conex box (see photos).

The former operator of the facility visited on May 30, 2015. He provided historical information on the site.

On June 1, 2015, EPA and its contractors:

- Discovered a small mercury spill on the floor of the bathroom in the Maintenance/Shop;
- Cleaned up mercury spill (see photos). EPA confirmed with a Lumex that breathing zone readings were less than 3,000 nanograms per cubic meter after clean up;
- Procured more over-pack drums and another Conex box; and
- Continued transferring contents of degraded containers into shippable containers (see photos).

Indiana Power & Light (IPL) removed pole-mounted transformers from the site on June 1.

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

See previous PolReps.

2.1.4 Progress Metrics

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

2.2 Planning Section

2.2.1 Anticipated Activities

The following sections detail anticipated activities.

2.2.1.1 Planned Response Activities

EPA will continue relocating containers to the Conex boxes. EPA will collect samples to analyze for waste disposal parameters.

2.2.1.2 Next Steps

EPA will dispose of waste once analytical results are received.

2.2.2 Issues

None

2.3 Logistics Section

The Emergency and Rapid Response Service (ERRS) contractor is providing logistical support.

2.4 Finance Section

No information available at this time.

2.5 Other Command Staff

2.5.1 Safety Officer

On-Scene Coordinator (OSC) Lam is the Safety Officer for EPA's response. START prepared a Health and Safety Plan for the site. Site personnel are attending daily health and safety briefings.

2.5.2 Liaison Officer

Not applicable (NA)

2.5.3 Information Officer

See previous PolRep.

3. Participating Entities

3.1 Unified Command

EPA is working under Wayne Township Fire Department, who has control of the scene because they are investigating the cause of the fire.

3.2 Cooperating Agencies

EPA is receiving assistance from the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) and Marion County Public Health Department (MCPHD).

4. Personnel On Site

The following personnel were on-site on May 30, 2015.

Agency/Company	# Personnel
EPA	1
START	1
ERRS	4

The following personnel were on-site on June 1, 2015.

Agency/Company	# Personnel
EPA	1
START	2
ERRS	4
MCPHD	1
IPL	2

5. Definition of Terms

CCA	Chromated copper arsenate
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
ERRS	Emergency and Rapid Response Services
Haz-cat	Hazard categorization
IDEM	Indiana Department of Environmental Management
IPL	Indiana Power & Light
MCPHD	Marion County Public Health Department
NA	Not Applicable
OSC	On-Scene Coordinator
PolRep	Pollution Report
PRP	Potentially Responsible Parties
START	Superfund Technical Assessment and Response Team

6. Additional sources of information

6.1 Internet location of additional information/report

For additional information, refer to www.epaosc.org/hoosierwoodpreservers

6.2 Reporting Schedule

OSC Lam will submit the next PolRep on June 2, 2015.

7. Situational Reference Materials

Refer to refer to www.epaosc.org/hoosierwoodpreservers.