United States Environmental Protection Agency Region III POLLUTION REPORT

Date: Friday, February 25, 2005From: Charlie Fitzsimmons

Subject: Cardozo H.S. Hg Spill

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1300 Clifton St., Washington, DC

Latitude: 38.9219000 Longitude: -77.0283000

POLREP No.: 2 Site #: A3DP

Reporting Period: D.O. #:

Start Date:2/23/2005Response Authority:CERCLAMob Date:2/23/2005Response Type:EmergencyDemob Date:NPL Status:Non NPLCompletion Date:Incident Category:Removal Action

CERCLIS ID #: Contract #

RCRIS ID #:

Site Description

See Polrep 1/Special Bulletin

Current Activities

- 1. EPA, ERRS and START contractor personnel continue with the decontamination process at 5 areas of concern within the school.
- 2. Levels as detected by the Lumex mva consistently range from <1ug/m3 to 15ug/m3. These results are considerably less than the 70ug/m3 results detected yesterday. The cleanup goal is 1ug/m3.
- 3. Techniques to decon include merc vac, washing with Hg cleaning solution, ventilating and heating. This process is repeated 5 or 6 times until levels are well below the action level.
- $4. \ Clearance \ Sampling \ Plan \ was \ submitted \ to \ DCDOH \ on \ 2/25/05 \ for \ their \ review \ and \ approval.$
- 5. Drinking water fountain within an area of concern was found to contain low levels of Hg at the drain. The trap was removed.
- 6. Approximately 20 drums containing contaminated debris will be staged in a secure location at the school pending transport and disposal.

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