

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
POLLUTION/SITUATION REPORT  
Transportation Drive PCB - Removal Polrep



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
Region III

**Subject:** POLREP #14  
Progress Report  
Transportation Drive PCB  
A3XW  
Hazle Township, PA  
Latitude: 40.9335290 Longitude: -75.9986590

**To:** Region 3 RRC, EPA

**From:** Dominic Ventura, On Scene Coordinator

**Date:** 3/31/2016

**Reporting Period:** 03/07/16 - 03/25/16

## 1. Introduction

### 1.1 Background

|                            |        |                                |                |
|----------------------------|--------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Site Number:</b>        | A3XW   | <b>Contract Number:</b>        |                |
| <b>D.O. Number:</b>        |        | <b>Action Memo Date:</b>       |                |
| <b>Response Authority:</b> | CERCLA | <b>Response Type:</b>          | Time-Critical  |
| <b>Response Lead:</b>      | EPA    | <b>Incident Category:</b>      | Removal Action |
| <b>NPL Status:</b>         |        | <b>Operable Unit:</b>          |                |
| <b>Mobilization Date:</b>  |        | <b>Start Date:</b>             |                |
| <b>Demob Date:</b>         |        | <b>Completion Date:</b>        |                |
| <b>CERCLIS ID:</b>         |        | <b>RCRIS ID:</b>               |                |
| <b>ERNS No.:</b>           |        | <b>State Notification:</b>     |                |
| <b>FPN#:</b>               |        | <b>Reimbursable Account #:</b> |                |

#### 1.1.2 Site Description

The Transportation Drive PCB site is located in a commercial area of Hazleton, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania. The majority of the site is currently owned by Walp Trucking Incorporated, who operates a trucking dispatch and service center. An unused portion of the site is also owned by Consolidated Lands, Incorporated. Prior to 1983 the site was reportedly the location of a facility that scraped electrical equipment including transformers and large capacitors.

EPA's TSCA program referred the site to EPA's Removal Program in April 2014 reporting that the property owner excavated a drainage ditch and uncovered several PCB large capacitors. Site assessment activities conducted at the site in May and June 2014 revealed electric equipment related scrap on the ground around the perimeter of the site and PCB concentrations that exceed the Toxic Substances and Control Act (TSCA) action level of 50 mg/kg. The maximum concentrations of PCBs detected in a soil sample was 210,000 mg/kg.

The OSC issued Special Bulletin A and Polrep 1 for the site on November 14, 2014 to take actions to secure the site while additional assessment was conducted. An Action Memorandum was signed on June 26, 2015 authorizing a Removal Action to mitigate the threat posed by PCB electrical equipment and PCB contaminated soil and debris at the site. Personnel and equipment were mobilized to the site on August 11, 2015 to begin site work. Due to frozen site conditions and to allow ERRS time to arrange Transportation and Disposal of stockpiled soil and capacitors, all site personnel were demobilized from the site on January 21, 2016.

Please see **previous Polrep's** for additional background information.

## 2. Current Activities

### 2.1 Operations Section

#### 2.1.1 Current Activities

- START personnel and subcontract personnel mobilized back to the site on March 7, 2016 to conduct a topographic survey of the site. The survey will assist with determining final grade of restoration and with design of storm water management.

- ERRS mobilized back to site on March 8 to begin load-out of PCB contaminated soil for disposal. PCB

contaminated soil is being transported by truck and rail to Heritage Environmental Services in Roachdale, Indiana for disposal as PCB Remediation Waste.

- During this reporting period a total of approximately 2,684 tons (122 intermodal containers) of PCB Remediation Waste was transported off site for disposal from CLI's property.

- During this reporting period a total of approximately 1,662 tons (76 intermodal containers) of PCB Remediation Waste was transported off site for disposal from Walp Trucking's property.

- On March 22, a total of 58 55-gallon drums containing PCB capacitors and other electrical equipment were transported off site for incineration at Veolia Environmental Services in Port Arthur, Texas

- START collected 9 subsurface samples from CLI's property to better delineate contamination in the subsurface. PCB concentrations ranged from 0.6 to 260 ppm PCBs in the samples.

- START conducted daily particulate monitoring. No action levels were exceeded.

- ERRS installed silt fence along the edge of site drainage features.

- On March 21, representatives from PADEP's Clean Water Program and the Luzerne County Conservation District met the OSC on site to discuss plans/options for storm water management and erosion control.

- On March 23, ERRS excavated PCB contaminated soil and backfilled the excavation with clean fill in the southwest corner of CLI's property.

## 2.2 Planning Section

### 2.2.1 Next Steps

EPA will continue Removal activities at the site.

## 2.3 Logistics Section

No information available at this time.

## 2.4 Finance Section

### Estimated Costs \*

|                           | Budgeted              | Total To Date         | Remaining           | % Remaining   |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| <b>Extramural Costs</b>   |                       |                       |                     |               |
| ERRS - Cleanup Contractor | \$2,607,030.00        | \$1,825,258.00        | \$781,772.00        | 29.99%        |
| TAT/START                 | \$248,235.00          | \$148,832.00          | \$99,403.00         | 40.04%        |
| <b>Intramural Costs</b>   |                       |                       |                     |               |
|                           |                       |                       |                     |               |
| <b>Total Site Costs</b>   | <b>\$2,855,265.00</b> | <b>\$1,974,090.00</b> | <b>\$881,175.00</b> | <b>30.86%</b> |

\* The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The OSC does not necessarily receive specific figures on final payments made to any contractor(s). Other financial data which the OSC must rely upon may not be entirely up-to-date. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

## 2.5 Other Command Staff

No information available at this time.

## 3. Participating Entities

No information available at this time.

## 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.

