

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region IV
POLLUTION REPORT

Date: Tuesday, July 19, 2005

From: David Andrews

Subject: Initiation of Action

Lustar Dye

144 Caribou Rd, Asheville, NC

Latitude: 35.3345000

Longitude: -82.3146000

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| POLREP No.: | 1 | Site #: | A4KA |
| Reporting Period: | | D.O. #: | |
| Start Date: | 7/19/2005 | Response Authority: | CERCLA |
| Mob Date: | 7/19/2005 | Response Type: | Emergency |
| Demob Date: | | NPL Status: | Non NPL |
| Completion Date: | | Incident Category: | Removal Assessment |
| CERCLIS ID #: | | Contract # | |
| RCRIS ID #: | | | |

Site Description

On July 19, 2005, NCDENR contacted EPA Phone Duty officer regarding an abandoned facility, Lustar Dye and Finishing, 144 Caribou Rd, Asheville, North Carolina. The facility, in bankruptcy, houses a variety of chemicals in 55 gallon drums, 5 gallon containers and 1000-3000 gallon tanks. Among the chemicals included are 50% Hydrogen Peroxide, 70% Sulfuric Acid, Hydrochloric Acid, Acetic Acid, caustics and pesticides. The fence surrounding the facility is unlocked, as well as some of the doors to the main building. NCDENR has indicated that there are some releases inside the building. NCDENR considers this site an imminent hazard and has requested the assistance of EPA. OSC Jim Webster was dispatched along with START contractors.

Next Steps

EPA, with the assistance of START, will conduct an assessment and collect samples prior to initiating any stabilization or removal activities.

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