United States Environmental Protection Agency Region IV POLLUTION REPORT

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Subject: Initiation of Action

ESB

1246 Allene Avenue and Neighboring Properties, Atlanta, GA

Latitude: 33.7167000 Longitude: -84.4008000

POLREP No.: Site #: A4AB 0045 **D.O.** #: **Reporting Period:** 13FEB06 to 20FEB06 Start Date: 2/15/2006 **Response Authority: CERCLA Mob Date:** 2/15/2006 **Response Type:** Time-Critical **Demob Date: NPL Status:** Non NPL **Completion Date: Incident Category:** Removal Action **CERCLIS ID #:** 68-S4-02-04 Contract #

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Site Description

The ESB Site consists of the former ESB battery manufacturing facility and the approximately 17 private residential properties immediately surrounding the facility. There are two removal actions underway. The facility is conducting an enforcement-lead action within the facility grounds and EPA is conducting a fund-lead removal action at the private residential properties. The contaminant of concern is lead. The residential properties have lead contaminated soil from stack deposition that occurred during the facility operational history.

Current Activities

This week OSC Jardine and START member Rutledge acquired access for several properties and began collecting soil samples for use in waste profiling. The profiling is critical to conducting a smooth removal action as there is no lay down area for excavated soil. Therefore, EPA must complete a hazardous waste determination for each excavation area prior to mobilization of the ERRS crew.

OSC Jardine reconnoitered the Site with ERRS PM Hollingsworth of CMC to develop Site removal strategies.

Also this week CIC Stephanie Brown renewed community involvement activity. This activity is appropriate as the Site has remained somewhat dormant during the last six months due to EPAs response to Hurricane Katrina.

Planned Removal Actions

Continue to gain access to those lots where the property has changed ownership. Continue to collect samples for TCLP analysis and waste profiling.

Next Steps

After at least 50% of the properties have been waste profiled, mobilize the ERRS contractor.

Key Issues

Gaining Site access is difficult as these properties are part of a redevelopment plan upgrading the community property value. Several owners do not live at the residences but rather own the property as an investment.

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