

**United States Environmental Protection Agency**  
**Region V**  
**POLLUTION REPORT**

**Date:** Friday, April 25, 2025

**From:** Brian Kelly

**Subject:** Final POLREP

Dearborn Refining PRP  
3901 Wyoming Avenue, Dearborn, MI  
Latitude: 42.3164000  
Longitude: -83.1567000

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| <b>POLREP No.:</b>       | 13              | <b>Site #:</b>             | B5E7           |
| <b>Reporting Period:</b> |                 | <b>D.O. #:</b>             |                |
| <b>Start Date:</b>       | 8/27/2007       | <b>Response Authority:</b> | CERCLA         |
| <b>Mob Date:</b>         | 8/27/2007       | <b>Response Type:</b>      | Time-Critical  |
| <b>Demob Date:</b>       |                 | <b>NPL Status:</b>         | Non NPL        |
| <b>Completion Date:</b>  | 4/25/2025       | <b>Incident Category:</b>  | Removal Action |
| <b>CERCLIS ID #:</b>     | MIO 005 510 805 | <b>Contract #</b>          | EP-S5-09-05    |
| <b>RCRIS ID #:</b>       |                 |                            |                |

**Site Description**

The Dearborn Refining Site is located at 3901 Wyoming Avenue, Dearborn, Wayne County, Michigan.

Various entities operated the site as a waste oil refining and processing facility from 1947 until 2006. The site received used oil, waste oil, and oil-impacted wastewater and blended them with "virgin" oil for market resale.

In June 2006, at the request of the City of Dearborn, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) initiated a Removal Action through the Oil Pollution Act (OPA) to remove oil that posed an imminent threat of discharge to navigable waters of the United States. The OPA Removal Action was completed in November 2006. See [epaosc.net/dearbornrefining](http://epaosc.net/dearbornrefining) for more information.

The remaining hazardous substances were stabilized and staged pending negotiations on an Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) with Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs).

On August 27, 2007, following a 30-day public comment period, EPA and respondent companies signed the AOC. Respondent companies hired GHD to perform the cleanup.

**Current Activities**

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Milestone

August 2007 to November 2008, the PRP group removed drums, totes, tanks, and asbestos.

Late 2007 until early 2010, a site investigation was conducted over several phases.

April 2011 to October 2012, the removal action included:

1. Excavation of polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) impacted soils.
2. The decommissioning and demolition of the office building, a boiler house, a press room, two pump houses, boiler rooms, a laboratory /blending room, and a water treatment building.
3. Installation of a cover system with a flexible membrane liner.
4. Installation of a multi-phase extraction (MPE) system for light non-aqueous phase liquid (LNAPL) recovery within the central and southwestern portions of the site.
5. Deed restrictions and institutional controls.
6. Operation, Maintenance, and Monitoring (OMM).

2012 to 2014, the MPE system extracted mobile LNAPL for off-site disposal. In 2014, the system was decommissioned.

2015 to present, OMM activities were performed by the PRP to ensure the adequate performance of the cover system, methane gas venting, sentry wells, monitoring wells, and gas probes.

#### Regional Metrics

Surface Water and Adjacent Areas River systems cleaned and/or restored (miles)--N/A

Contaminated sediments removed and/or capped (cubic yards) --N/A

Soil/sediment cleaned up in floodplains and riverbanks (acres) --N/A

Initial amount of oil released (gallons) --N/A

Final amount of oil collected (gallons) --N/A

Waters of the US affected (name) --N/A

Residential Number of contaminated residential yards cleaned up --N/A

Tribal Tribal consultation or coordination (yes or no) no

#### Planned Removal Actions

The site will continue to generate methane, and the PRPs will be required to continue OMM for the foreseeable future, including

- ✓ Semi-annual methane monitoring
- ✓ Semi-annual inspections
- ✓ Annual water level measurements
- ✓ Annual LNAPL measurements
- ✓ Annual pressure measurements
- ✓ Annual progress reports

#### Key Issues

EPA has finalized cost recovery from the remaining PRPs and is preparing to closeout past costs. As part of the settlement of costs, the removal is considered complete.

A special account has been established to fund future oversight costs.

#### Disposition of Wastes

| Waste Stream                                       | Quantity      | Manifest # | Disposal Facility                             |
|--|---------------|------------|---|
| PCB-impacted soil                                  | 359.69 tons   |            | Wayne Disposal, Inc., Belleville, MI          |
| Non DOT Regulated Material (Purge Water)           | 55 gallons    | 1632671    | Spring Grove Resource Recovery Cincinnati, OH |
| Non-hazardous, non-regulated liquid waste          | 1,452 gallons |            | EQ Detroit                                    |
| Non-RCRA/non-DOT Regulated Material                | 90 pounds     |            | EQ Detroit                                    |
| Non-friable asbestos materials                     | 330 cy3       |            | Woodland Meadows                              |
| C&D  | 430 cy3       |            | Woodland Meadows                              |
| Friable asbestos                                   | 40 cy3        |            | Woodland Meadows                              |
| R11 refrigerant                                    | 130 pounds    |            | Woodland Meadows                              |
| Fire extinguishers                                 | 18            |            | Spears Fire and Safety Svcs                   |
| Universal waste                                    | 235 pounds    |            | EQ LTL  |
| UN2903 Waste Pesticides Liquid                     | 100 pounds    |            | EQ Detroit                                    |
| UN1993 Waste Flammable Liquids, NOS                | 3 pounds      |            | EQ Detroit                                    |
| UN2810 Waste Toxic Liquids, Organic, NOS           | 5 pounds      |            | EQ Detroit                                    |
| Non-Hazardous/Non-Regulated Material (liquid)      | 350 pounds    |            | EQ Detroit                                    |
| Non-Hazardous/Non-Regulated Material (solid)       | 350 pounds    |            | EQ Detroit                                    |
| Non-Hazardous/Non-Regulated Material (empty drums) | 100 pounds    |            | EQ Detroit                                    |

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| Non-Hazardous/Non-Regulated Material (loose pack) | 100 pounds          |  | EQ Detroit                           |
| PCB Liquid  | 22 pounds           |  | Veolia Tech Solutions                |
| PCB Solid   | 55 pounds           |  | EQ Detroit                           |
| UN2809 Waste Mercury                              | 5 pounds            |  | EQ Detroit                           |
| Non-Hazardous/non- Regulated Waste - Oily Sludge  | 850 pounds          |  | EQ Detroit                           |
| Non-Hazardous/non- Regulated Waste - Oily Rags    | 90 pounds           |  | EQ Detroit                           |
| LNAPL impacted groundwater                        | 1.2 million gallons |  | City of Detroit                      |
| Recovered LNAPL                                   | 51 gallons          |  | EQ Detroit                           |
| Recycled materials                                | 560 cy3             |  | Omni, Fritz, Severstal, 21st Century |

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