

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

**Date:** Wednesday, September 20, 2006

**From:** Terrence Byrd

**Subject:** Initial POLREP

Cherokee NC Boundary Tree UST Release  
Cherokee, NC

<b>POLREP No.:</b>	1	<b>Site #:</b>	Z4KJ
<b>Reporting Period:</b>	09/20/2006	<b>D.O. #:</b>	
<b>Start Date:</b>	9/20/2006	<b>Response Authority:</b>	OPA
<b>Mob Date:</b>	9/20/2006	<b>Response Type:</b>	Emergency
<b>Demob Date:</b>	9/25/2006	<b>NPL Status:</b>	Non NPL
<b>Completion Date:</b>		<b>Incident Category:</b>	Removal Action
<b>CERCLIS ID #:</b>		<b>Contract #</b>	
<b>RCRIS ID #:</b>		<b>Reimbursable Account #</b>	06HR04R0xKJ 302D91C Z4KJ
<b>FPN#</b>	E06434		

**Site Description**

NRC Reports 812093 and 812097: At approximately 17:00 local time on September 20, 2006 a sheen was discovered on the Oconalustee River at the Cherokee NC Water Treatment Plant, on lands of the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation. Local responders determined that the release was coming from a underground storage tank at a nearby service station. A request for EPA assistance was made and an OSC responder was dispatched.

**Current Activities**

Local authorities have shut down the water treatment plant and are in the process of securing alternative water for local users. The local Fire Department initiated containment actions.

**Planned Removal Actions**

The responding OSC will assess conditions at the site and take appropriate actions to support the response.

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