

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

**Date:** Thursday, December 14, 2006

**From:** Marjorie Easton

**Subject:** Final POLREP - Voluntary Cleanup  
New Brighton Train Derailment ER  
Railroad Milepost PC 29 Beaver River, New Brighton, PA  
Latitude: 40.9341300  
Longitude: -80.3685400

<b>POLREP No.:</b>	3	<b>Site #:</b>	
<b>Reporting Period:</b>	10/22/2006 - 12/14/2006	<b>D.O. #:</b>	
<b>Start Date:</b>	10/21/2006	<b>Response Authority:</b>	
<b>Mob Date:</b>		<b>Response Type:</b>	Emergency
<b>Demob Date:</b>		<b>NPL Status:</b>	
<b>Completion Date:</b>		<b>Incident Category:</b>	
<b>CERCLIS ID #:</b>		<b>Contract #</b>	
<b>RCRIS ID #:</b>			

**Site Description**

At approximately 2045 hours, on Friday, October 20, 2006, a train derailed off a railroad trestle in New Brighton, Pennsylvania. EPA received notification via the National Response System of the incident. EPA coordinated with Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) and determined that EPA should respond to the incident. EPA OSC Easton notified START of the incident and requested their assistance. At approximately 0215 hours on Saturday, October 21, 2006, OSC Easton and START mobilized to the Site.

**Current Activities**

EPA continued to coordinate with PADEP regarding the environmental cleanup of spilled ethanol. On 10/26/2006, PADEP issued a Notice of Violation to Norfolk and Southern for discharging ethanol into the Beaver River. All of the damaged cars have been removed from the railroad track and from the Beaver River, and the railroad track has re-opened. PADEP had collected several water samples from the Beaver River and from near intakes for the Midland Water Authority as well inside its water treatment plant. Preliminary samples showed evidence of ethanol in the Beaver River within 500 yards of the spill site. Samples near the water intakes showed no problems. The cleanup of the spilled ethanol was completed by Norfolk and Southern with PADEP Water Quality Division providing the oversight.

**Planned Removal Actions**

EPA does not anticipate any future removal actions.

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