United States Environmental Protection Agency Region I POLLUTION REPORT

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Subject: ECC Corp. Site

156 Princeton Street, Holden, MA

MAD001138726

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POLREP No.: Site #: 01DU **Reporting Period:** March/April 2007 D.O. #: 62. **Start Date:** 1/31/2007 **Response Authority: CERCLA Mob Date:** 1/31/2007 **Response Type:** Time-Critical Non NPL **Demob Date: NPL Status: Completion Date: Incident Category:** Removal Action **CERCLIS ID #:** MAD001138726 Contract # 68-W-03-037 **RCRIS ID #:**

Site Description

The Site is located at 156 Princeton Street in a residential area of Holden, Massachusetts. The Site includes a two-story brick and cinder block manufacturing building located on an approximately 17-acre property. ECC Corporation conducted electroplating operations, including manufacturing of printed circuit boards, beginning in the 1950s. The facility has been inactive and unoccupied since closing in 2005. The building is without electricity, heat, water, or fire protection utilities. Tanks, drums, and other containers of hazardous substances were present, primarily in the wastewater treatment area of the facility. Hazardous substances on-site included potassium cyanide, acids, bases, flammables, metal hydroxide sludge, and lead. See POLREP 1 for additional site background information.

Current Activities

See previous POLREPs for discussion of removal activities prior to March 26, 2007.

From March 26, 2007 through April 2, 2007, EPA and its contractors conducted cleanup operations in the former electroplating and wastewater treatment areas of the facility. This cleanup included removing sludges, crystals, solids, and liquids in tanks, vats, sumps, and trenches. These areas were then powerwashed to remove residual contamination. Wastes generated during these cleanup activites (including wash waters) were collected and containerized. On April 9, 2007, EPA and its contractors shipped these wastes off-site for disposal. Bulk wastewater was also pumped from a sump in the wastewater treatment area and shipped off-site for disposal.

Planned Removal Actions

Sludges in the above-mentioned wastewater sump will be collected, containerized, and transported off-site for proper disposal.

Next Steps

EPA and the START contractor will conduct sampling of surface soils and other media as needed to determine whether hazardous substances are present at levels that may pose a health threat.

Disposition of Wastes

Waste Stream	Quantity	Manifest #	Disposal Facility
Compressed gas cylinders (nitrous oxide, acetylene)	2	000156724	Pollution Control
	cylinders	JJK	Industries
			(East Chicago, IN)
Metal hydroxide sludge	8500	000159131	Enviro-Safe
	pounds	JJK	Corporation
			(Lowell, MA)

Waste acid, liquid (sulfuric acid, copper sulfate,	1265	000159132	Enviro-Safe
hydrochloric acid)	gallons	JJK	Corporation
			(Lowell, MA)
Waste acid, solids (sulfuric acid, copper sulfate)	4950	000159132	Enviro-Safe
	pounds	JJK	Corporation
			(Lowell, MA)
Bulk wastewater (metal hydroxide)	1398	000159133	Enviro-Safe
	gallons	JJK	Corporation
			(Lowell, MA)

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