

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

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Subject: FINAL
Alford Refrigeration Warehouse Fire
300 Cadiz Street, Dallas, TX
Latitude: 32.7683000
Longitude: -96.8017000

POLREP No.:	1	Site #:	
Reporting Period:	June 25, 2007	D.O. #:	
Start Date:		Response Authority:	CERCLA
Mob Date:	6/25/2007	Response Type:	Emergency
Demob Date:	6/25/2007	NPL Status:	
Completion Date:		Incident Category:	
CERCLIS ID #:		Contract #	
RCRIS ID #:			

Site Description

At approximately 1330 on Monday, June 25, 2007, a five-alarm fire at the former Alford refrigeration warehouse sent large plumes of black smoke into the air and downtown Dallas. The 440,000 square-foot former warehouse is located at 300 Cadiz Street immediately southwest of downtown Dallas.

Current Activities

The EPA response duty officer, OSC Martin, was mobilized from the Dallas regional office to investigate. OSC Martin was prepared to provide air monitoring assistance but since there were no suspected hazardous materials involved in the blaze, it was determined that immediate air monitoring was not necessary.

A company demolishing the warehouse, Lioyd Nabors Dmolition, stated the cause of the fire was most probably two metal beams that fell and struck each other thereby causing sparks to catch nearby trash on fire. Moderate winds from the south spread the fire throughout the warehouse which had already been partially demolished. They also stated that the warehouse had been inspected and approved for demo and that no hazardous materials were left in the building.

Planned Removal Actions

While the fire had been brought under control, the Dallas Fire Department will continue to remain onsite because of several remaining hot spots inside the building. The demolition contractors will assist the Fire Department by utilizing their heavy machinery to remove the roof to get to the hot spots.

Key Issues

Media attention and public concern was great due to the high visibility of the plume.

Estimated Costs *

	Budgeted	Total To Date	Remaining	% Remaining
Extramural Costs				
Intramural Costs				
Total Site Costs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%

* The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this

report was written. The OSC does not necessarily receive specific figures on final payments made to any contractor(s). Other financial data which the OSC must rely upon may not be entirely up-to-date. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

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