United States Environmental Protection Agency Region II POLLUTION REPORT

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Subject: Friction Oil Spill Removal Friction Division Products

40 North Enterprise Ave, Lawrence Township (Trenton), NJ

Latitude: 40.2728000 Longitude: -74.7083000

POLREP No.: XW 42 Site #: **D.O.** #: **Reporting Period:** 10/30/07-11/01/07 050 10/29/2007 **Start Date: Response Authority: OPA Response Type: Mob Date:** 1/28/2007 Emergency **Demob Date: NPL Status:** Non NPL **Incident Category:** Removal Action **Completion Date: CERCLIS ID #:** NJN0002058677 Contract # EP-W-04-055

RCRIS ID #: Reimbursable Account #

FPN# E08201

Site Description

This Site, a defunct automotive brake pad manufacturer, was brought to the attention of EPA by the NJDEP for a possible referral for a CERCLA removal action. An inspection by EPA OSCs and a DEP responder on 12/23/05 revealed the following hazardous materials/wastes were abandoned at the site: tons of asbestos material, tons of elemental sulphur, 1,000+ drums of mostly unknown materials or materials that do not match the label description, hundreds of smaller containers, acids, flammable liquids, iron and aluminum powders, flammable solids, waste oil, solvents, and other contaminants or pollutants. The Site is semi-controlled, with most doors being locked but numerous open windows or sections of sheet-metal walls missing. A maintenance man is on-site for a few hours Mon-Fri.

During June, 2006, the OSC observed that employees of the RP, Friction Division Products, were entering the Site and loading contaminated drums and debris in a roll-off from Building #7. In the process of removing the contaminated debris they spilled powdered chemicals from broken bags on a pallet. EPA brought this to the attention of the property owners. With EPA management authorization and the owner's permission EPA initiated security guard service as of June 15, 2006 to prevent access by the RP and other unauthorized persons. Security guard service was discontinued on June 26, 2006, when the RP agreed to not enter the Site unless EPA was present.

Current Activities

On October 30, 2007, OSC and ERRS Contractor mobilized. There was approximately 5,000 gallons of #6 oil in the 20,000 gallon tank. Approximately 2,300 gallons of #2 oil was added to cut the #6 oil in order to pump out the tank. Some piping needed to be removed in order to perform the sparging and the pumping of the tank. There is some friable asbestos insulation on the tank but the majority of the piping is insulated with fiberglass. If asbestos needs to be disposed of, cost will be allocated from the previous Task Order Fund and not the OPA Fund.

Planned Removal Actions

There is still approximately one foot of #6 oil in the tank which could not be removed by the sparging process. Confined space entry is necessary to remove the remainder of the oil.

Next Steps

Bid out the tank entry removal

Key Issues

Safe confined space entry and removal of oil

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