

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

**Date:** Friday, March 7, 2008

**From:** Jack Downie

**Subject:** Removal Action

Remacor, Inc.

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Latitude: 40.9349711

Longitude: -80.3686583

<b>POLREP No.:</b>	116	<b>Site #:</b>	G3GM
<b>Reporting Period:</b>	3/04-3/07/08	<b>D.O. #:</b>	03-04-015
<b>Start Date:</b>	9/15/2006	<b>Response Authority:</b>	CERCLA
<b>Mob Date:</b>	9/15/2006	<b>Response Type:</b>	Emergency
<b>Demob Date:</b>		<b>NPL Status:</b>	Non NPL
<b>Completion Date:</b>		<b>Incident Category:</b>	Removal Action
<b>CERCLIS ID #:</b>	PAD074965096	<b>Contract #</b>	
<b>RCRIS ID #:</b>			

### Site Description

EPA is continuing emergency removal actions at this site during the repackaging, transportation, and removal of flammable magnesium materials. Magnesium generators, who previously supplied Remacor with recyclable magnesium and magnesium alloys, are removing their materials from the site. Internet has suspended shipping material until further notice. SPX Contech will be repackaging the remainder of its material in preparation to ship it off site when freezing weather conditions improve. Hitchcock Industries has been on site to identify their material they will begin removing it when the weather breaks.

EPA's ERRS contractor Guardian Environmental Services, Inc. (GES) has completed reacting drums from Building #2 and is reacting drums from Building #8. PADEP is providing technical and oversight support at the site. EPA START contractor TechLaw is providing technical and administrative support to the EPA. EPA and PADEP officials continue to control access to the site in addition to coordinating the activities of the various generators.

### Current Activities

Personnel On-Scene:

03/04/08 EPA-2, START-2, ERRS-8, Security-1 (24 hr)

03/05/08 EPA-1, START-2, ERRS-8, Other-2, Security-1 (24 hr)

03/06/08 EPA-3, START-2, ERRS-8, Other-1, Security-1 (24 hr)

03/07/08 EPA-2, START-2, Security-1 (24 hr)

Weather:

03/04/08 Low of 34° F, high of 37° F. Light Rain, 0.00inches of precipitation, wind NNE 3-9 mph.

03/05/08 Low of 28° F, high of 30° F. Overcast, 0.00 inches of precipitation, W 8-20 mph.

03/06/08 Low of 30° F, high of 44° F. Mostly Cloudy, 0.00 inches of precipitation, SW 6-11 mph.

03/07/08 Low of 30° F, high of 32° F. Light Snow, 0.00 inches of precipitation, NNE 9-16 mph.

03/04/08

OSC Jack Downie was on site for oversight of activities and site entry.

Magnesium Electron was on site to meet with the OSC and try and identify material that may be theirs.

Emergency and Rapid Response Services (ERRS) contractor Guardian Environmental, Inc held its morning safety meeting and discussed the days planned activities, areas of concern and safety issues associated with the day's activities. ERRS continues to react drums from Building #8. ERRS is also reacting various nondrums that have been found on site. These drums do not contain elemental magnesium fines. ERRS is taking extra precautions when working the material.

START assisted as needed and conducted written/photographic documentation.

03/05/08

OSC Jack Downie was on site for oversight of activities and site entry.

Trimag SE.C. had 1 person on site to identify material and meet with OSC Downie.

Emergency and Rapid Response Services (ERRS) contractor Guardian Environmental, Inc held its morning safety meeting and discussed the days planned activities, areas of concern and safety issues associated with the day's activities. ERRS continues to react material from Building 8 and unknown reactive materials found around the site. Some material continues to react violently and ERRS is modify its operations according to the reactions.

START assisted the EPA as needed and conducted written/photographic documentation.

03/06/08

OSC Jack Downie was on site for oversight of activities and site entry.

Timminco had 1 personnel on site to identify material and meet with the OSC. OSC Downie and START escorted the personnel on site.

Emergency and Rapid Response Services (ERRS) contractor Guardian Environmental, Inc held its morning safety meeting and discussed the days planned activities, areas of concern and safety issues associated with the day's activities. ERRS continued to react material in the reaction pit.

START assisted the EPA as needed and conducted written/photographic documentation.

03/07/08

START was on site to collect waypoints using the Trimble unit. START demobilized

### **Next Steps**

No PRP activity is presently occurring on site. All PRP removal action has been suspended by the companies until inclement winter weather conditions subside and the weather allows safe resumption of activities.

National Machine Company plans to submit a work/safety plan to the EPA.

EPA will continue to coordinate with magnesium waste generators for the safe and appropriate removal of the material from the site. EPA will continue to coordinate with all local, state, and federal agencies.

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