

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

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Subject: Change in Scope
Providence Barrel
17 Oak Street, Smithfield, RI

POLREP No.:	3	Site #:	01EO
Reporting Period:	May 09 thru Jun 06, 2008	D.O. #:	0077
Start Date:	4/21/2008	Response Authority:	CERCLA
Mob Date:	4/1/2008	Response Type:	Time-Critical
Demob Date:		NPL Status:	Non NPL
Completion Date:		Incident Category:	Removal Action
CERCLIS ID #:	RID075699546	Contract #	68-W-03-037
RCRIS ID #:	NA		

Site Description

See previous POLREP for site description information

Current Activities

On May 07, 2008 excavation of contaminated soil began at the Site. Soil is stockpiled, screened to remove larger rocks and then staged for disposal. Excavation on the Barrel Site has been completed

EPA has been conducting additional sampling to further characterize the extent of contamination including vapor intrusion into the indoor air of abutting residential properties. EPA's Northeast Regional Laboratory (NERL) personnel have collected 24 hour indoor air samples in abutting residential properties. Analytical results are not yet available.

EPA's START contractor is in the process of sampling surface soils to determine the extent of contamination to abutting residential properties. As elevated levels of contaminants were found in surrounding residential areas, an action memorandum addendum for a change in scope was developed. It is not anticipated that the Site will require more funding than originally budgeted.

An Action Memo Addendum was signed on June 04, 2008 to expand the scope of work to include abutting properties. As the investigation proceeds, additional private properties may be included in the cleanup. RIDEM supports these decisions.

AS of July 10, 2008, the excavation at the 18-20 Esmond Street Property has been completed. Soil is staged and awaiting transportation and disposal.

Planned Removal Actions

1. A Public Availability Session is scheduled for July 14, 2008 at the East Smithfield Public Library.
2. Transportation and disposal of staged soil will begin the week of July 14, 2008.
3. Excavation will begin on abutting properties by July 21, 2008.

Next Steps

1. Continue investigation of adjacent residential properties and assess impact.
2. Initiate transportation and disposal of excavated contaminated soils.
- 3 Coordinate excavation on private property with property owners.

Key Issues

Coordinate with RIDEM regarding excavation of contamination on residential properties.

