

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

Date: Wednesday, June 25, 2008

From: Jack Downie

Subject: Removal Action

Remacor, Inc.

P.O. Box 366, West Pittsburg, PA

Latitude: 40.9349711

Longitude: -80.3686583

POLREP No.:	155	Site #:	G3GM
Reporting Period:	6/24-6/25/08	D.O. #:	03-04-015
Start Date:	9/15/2006	Response Authority:	CERCLA
Mob Date:	9/15/2006	Response Type:	Emergency
Demob Date:		NPL Status:	Non NPL
Completion Date:		Incident Category:	Removal Action
CERCLIS ID #:	PAD074965096	Contract #	
RCRIS ID #:			

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.

EPA's ERRS is mixing and repackaging RAD material. 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:

06/24/08 EPA-1, PADEP-1, START-1, ERRS-7, Other-1, Security-1 (24 hr)

06/25/08 EPA-1, PADEP-1, START-1, ERRS-7, Other-1, Security-1 (24 hr)

Weather:

06/24/08 Low of 52° F, high of 77° F Scattered Clouds, 0.00inches of precipitation, wind WNW 3-8 mph.

06/25/08 Low of 55° F, high of 81° F. Scattered Clouds, 0.00inches of precipitation, WSW 4-9 mph.

06/24/08

USEPA OSC Jack Downie was on site for oversight of operations.

PADEP Mariruth Hoffman mobilized to site to assist the EPA in oversight of operations. PADEP Hoffman demobilized.

Emergency and Rapid Response Services (ERRS) contractor Guardian Environmental, Inc held its morning safety meeting and discussed the days planned activities. ERRS completed repackaging boxes of magnesium into 55-gallon drums with vented lids. ERRS cleaned the work area in Building #9 and set up operations for the RAD drums. ERRS also had a vac truck subcontractor on site to recycle/dispose of waste oil.

START assisted as needed and conducted written/photographic documentation.

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Emergency and Rapid Response Services (ERRS) contractor Guardian Environmental, Inc held its morning safety meeting and discussed the days planned activities. ERRS began repackaging low level RAD drums to meet DOT and disposal requirements. ERRS dressed in level C throughout the operation. START monitored the drums using a Ludlum Model 19 Micro R Meter. While mixing old low level rad drum contents from Building #9 a fire occurred in the pit and several drums that had been repackaged were noticed to be bulging. ERRS moved the drums to a safe location and punched holes in the lids to relieve the pressure. The material was then placed in the reaction pit and mixed with water where it will be left until reaction of the material is complete.

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

Next Steps

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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