

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

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**Subject:** Continuation of Removal Activities  
Carter Color Coat Site  
6051 Hastings Street, Detroit, MI  
Latitude: 42.3694000  
Longitude: -83.0600000

<b>POLREP No.:</b>	5	<b>Site #:</b>	B5LC
<b>Reporting Period:</b>		<b>D.O. #:</b>	
<b>Start Date:</b>	9/17/2008	<b>Response Authority:</b>	CERCLA
<b>Mob Date:</b>	9/17/2008	<b>Response Type:</b>	Time-Critical
<b>Demob Date:</b>		<b>NPL Status:</b>	Non NPL
<b>Completion Date:</b>		<b>Incident Category:</b>	Removal Action
<b>CERCLIS ID #:</b>		<b>Contract #</b>	
<b>RCRIS ID #:</b>			

**Site Description**

The Carter Color Coat site is located at 6051 Hastings Street in Detroit, Michigan at 42° 22.184' north latitude and 83° 03.598' west longitude. A large six-story concrete and steel frame building covers approximately one-half of the property. The other half of the property was primarily used for parking. The property is fenced, but not secure. The site is located in a mixed residential and industrial neighborhood with residential properties located approximately one-half mile to the southwest of the site. The site is bordered by Hastings Street to the northeast, Harper Street to the southeast, St. Antoine Street to the southwest, and Piquette Street to the northwest. Other industrial properties surround the site on all 4 sides.

See Polrep 1 for background info.

U.S. EPA conducted a site assessment on December 11, 2008, and found the presence of PCBs, asbestos, and hazardous wastes on Site. Since the U.S. EPA site assessment, there has been continuous activity at the site including: theft of metal from the site (including the site fence), asbestos contamination on facility floors from the metal stealing, and unknown persons actually building structures inside the building with the PCB-contaminated wood blocks.

**Current Activities**

On Monday, October 27, 2008, U.S. EPA contractors completed removing the bulk solids remaining on the fifth floor of the building and removing PCB ballasts and capacitors from the sixth floor of the building. U.S. EPA contractors also decommissioned one of the four ASTs on site, and removed a second AST from the tank area.

On Tuesday, October 28, 2008, U.S. EPA contractors removed a window from the fourth floor to make it accessible to allow the crane to move the equipment to the fourth floor. U.S. EPA contractors began cutting up the two ASTs that were removed from the tank area into smaller pieces for disposal.

On Wednesday, October 29, 2008, U.S. EPA contractors had a crane on site to move the equipment from the fifth floor to the fourth floor of the building and began removing the PCB-contaminated wood

block floor from the fourth floor and stockpiling the material outside.

On Thursday, October 30, 2008, U.S. EPA contractors continued removing the PCB-contaminated wood block flooring from the fourth floor of the building and stockpiling the material outside.

On Friday, October 31, 2008, U.S. EPA contractors continued removing the PCB-contaminated wood block flooring from the fourth floor of the building and stockpiling the material outside.

#### **Planned Removal Actions**

- Continue removal of PCB-contaminated wood block flooring.
- Continue transportation and disposal of PCB-contaminated wood block flooring.

#### **Next Steps**

- Disposal of PCB capacitors and ballasts.
- Decommissioning of above-ground storage tanks.
- Removal of debris in truck ramp area.
- Removal of remaining dry solids on the second through fifth floors of the building.

#### **Key Issues**

None.

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