United States Environmental Protection Agency Region IV POLLUTION REPORT

Date: Wednesday, October 22, 2008

From: Art Smith

Subject: Initial POLREP

Pyles Demolition Landfill Fire Hwy. 551, Columbia, KY Latitude: 37.1381000 Longitude: -85.2972000

POLREP No.: 1 Site #: A4WX

Reporting Period: D.O. #:

Start Date:10/21/2008Response Authority:CERCLAMob Date:10/21/2008Response Type:EmergencyDemob Date:NPL Status:Non NPLCompletion Date:Incident Category:Removal Action

CERCLIS ID #: Contract #

RCRIS ID #:

Site Description

OSC Smith and START (TTEMI) were dispatched to a fire at the Pyles Demolition Landfill in Columbia, KY to meet with state officials and assist with air monitoring and oversight. According to OSC Smith, the landfill caught fire on October 5th and the responsible party, along with the Columbia Fire Department have been trying to dispatch the fire through excavating the waste from the landfill hot zones. Although state officials utilized SUMA canisters to try and determine the contents of the plume, EPA assistance was requested to conduct additional air monitoring. The Columbia Regional Office as well as DAQ Bowling Green has received numerous odor complaints from the surrounding community.

Current Activities

Air monitoring continues at the Pyles demolition Landfill Fire

Planned Removal Actions

None at this time

Next Steps

Continue to provide air monitoring and oversight of response

Key Issues

Content and particulate matter in plume. Proximity to residential areas where exposure to airborne particulates from landfill fire exists.

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