

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region III
POLLUTION REPORT

Date: Tuesday, November 18, 2008

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Subject: Remacor, Inc.

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POLREP No.:	186	Site #:	G3GM
Reporting Period:	10/28/08 - 10/30/08	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 has been performing an emergency removal action at this site which has primarily involved the stabilization, repackaging, transportation, and removal of hazardous magnesium materials and other solid wastes from the facility. EPA completed repackaging abandoned magnesium materials that have been stored in drums that have succumbed to varying degrees of corrosion. The repackaged materials are staged inside site buildings pending removal from the site. Areas of the site including open pad areas, low areas and drainage ways are being cleared of residual wastes that had spilled when the facility was operating. Eighty-four drums of low-level radioactive solids, and 572 drums containing miscellaneous waste material have been packaged and shipped off site for disposal. Recycling and disposal options continue to be investigated for the repackaged magnesium material. Lime has been removed from eight large vertical vats that are located on the west and south side of building 2, at the north-west corner of the property. The lime has been neutralized and shipped off site for disposal. PADEP is overseeing site activities for the state and providing support. EPA START contractor TechLaw is providing technical and administrative support to the EPA. EPA and PADEP officials continue to control access to the site as well as coordinate activities with the various generators and disposal contractors.

Current Activities

Personnel On-Scene:

10/28/08 EPA-2, START-1, ERRS-7, Other-5, Security-1 (24 hr)

10/29/08 EPA-2 START-1, ERRS-7, Other-4, Security-1 (24 hr)

10/30/08 EPA-2, START-1, ERRS-6, PADEP-3 Other-5 Security-1 (24 hr)

Weather:

10/28/08 Low of 34° F, high of 43° F, mostly cloudy, 0.09" precipitation, wind W 5-20 mph.

10/29/08 Low of 32° F, high of 36° F, mostly cloudy, 0.09" precipitation, wind W 14-24 mph

10/30/08 Low of 32° F, high of 39° F, partly cloudy, 0.00" precipitation, wind W 4-7 mph

10/28/08

Emergency and Rapid Response Services (ERRS) contractor Guardian Environmental Services, Inc. held its morning safety meeting and discussed the days planned activities. ERRS prepared and shipped 88 of the miscellaneous waste drums that were staged in building nine. The drums were hauled to Vextor Technology Inc. located in Medina, Ohio. They were transported by Freehold Cartage Inc. Representatives of TGA Inc. were on site to inspect and prepare the remaining 22 low level radiation drums for offsite disposal.

START mobilized to the site and provided the OSC with technical and administrative assistance, conducted contractor monitoring, drum inspection, disposal tracking and written and photographic documentation.

10/29/08

Emergency and Rapid Response Services (ERRS) contractor Guardian Environmental Services, Inc. held its morning safety meeting and discussed the days planned activities. ERRS prepared and shipped 51 drums and five buckets containing miscellaneous waste materials. The drums were sorted and hauled to

two separate disposal facilities, Vextor Technology Inc. located in Medina, Ohio and Chemtron Corporation located in Avon, Ohio. They were transported by Freehold Cartage Inc. Representatives of TGA Inc. were on site continuing to inspect and prepare the remaining 22 low level radiation drums for offsite disposal. START mobilized to the site and provided the OSC with technical and administrative assistance, conducted contractor monitoring, drum inspection, disposal tracking and written and photographic documentation.

10/30/08

Emergency and Rapid Response Services (ERRS) contractor Guardian Environmental Services, Inc. held its morning safety meeting and discussed the days planned activities. ERRS prepared and shipped the remaining 52 drums containing miscellaneous waste materials. The drums were hauled to the Heritage WTI disposal facility, located in East Liverpool, Ohio. They were transported by Freehold Cartage Inc. These were the last of the miscellaneous waste drums remaining on site.

Representatives of TGA Inc. were on site continuing to inspect and prepare the remaining 22 low level radiation drums for offsite disposal. ERRS banded the drums, placed them on skids, then loaded the skids onto the truck. The drums were shipped to US Ecology Inc. located in Grand View, Idaho. The transporter was SJ Transportation Company. All of the low level radiation drums have now been shipped off site for disposal.

START mobilized to the site and provided the OSC with technical and administrative assistance, conducted contractor monitoring, drum inspection, disposal tracking and written and photographic documentation.

Next Steps

ERRS will arrange for transportation of the drummed magnesium material to an off-site disposal or recycling facility.

Key Issues

None

Disposition of Wastes

Disposal Summary as of 10/30/08:

Magnesium Turnings, Flammable Solid, Haz Mat: 4,530,351 pounds

Magnesium Scrap, Non-Haz Mat: 766,273 pounds

Total: 5,296,624 pounds

Low Level RAD drums: 323,000 pounds

Bulk Load Waste Piles: 6,380,000 pounds

Waste misc. liquids (Non-magnesium): 1,315 gallons

Waste misc. solids (Non-magnesium): 149,700

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