# United States Environmental Protection Agency Region IV POLLUTION REPORT

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Subject: Final Polrep

Hardin County Drum Site 518 Swamp drive, Nixon, TN

POLREP No.: A4XH Site #: **Reporting Period:** D.O. #: 0027 12/2/08-1/23/09 **Start Date:** 12/2/2008 **Response Authority: CERCLA** Mob Date: 12/2/2008 **Response Type:** Emergency Non NPL **Demob Date:** 12/2/2008 **NPL Status: Incident Category: Completion Date:** 1/23/2009 Removal Action **CERCLIS ID #:** EP-S4-07 TNN000410318 Contract #

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### **Site Description**

On the evening of 12/01/2008, OSC Spurlin was contacted by the Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation (TDEC) regarding the discovery of drums dumped at two locations in Hardin County, Tennessee. The TDEC responded to the scene on 12/01/2008 to verify the site conditions. After observing the site conditions, TDEC contacted OSC Spurlin and requested assistance with cleanup of the drums suspected to contain hazardous substances.

A solvent odor was noted near the drums and a black tar like susbtance had released from a container. The drums and unknown spilled material at the Swamp Road dump location were within ten feet of a tributary to the nearby Tennessee river.

## **Current Activities**

Based on information provided by TDEC, the OSC determined that an EPA emergency response was necessary to address the potential threats to human health and the environment. OSC Spurlin mobilized with ERRS and START to the incident the morning of 12/02/2008 and initiated an emergency action to collect, sample, and secure the drums. The initial work was completed by the evening of 12/02/2008 with the transport of twenty-nine drums and several five gallon buckets to a secure location on city property.

Nine samples were collected for analysis by an off-site lab. Sample results indicated the presence of hazardous substances including xylene, napthalene, and several phthalate compounds. Sample results classified the contents of two drums as RCRA hazardous waste.

On 1/23/09, EPA ERRS contractor returned to the staging area to load and transport drums for proper disposal. The ERRS contractor consolidated the liquid from three buckets of concrete patch kit into a compatible drum. Twenty nine drums were labeled, loaded, and shipped by EQ industrial Services to the EQ Florida facility for disposal.

# **Next Steps**

No further removal actions are planned for this site.

#### **Disposition of Wastes**

Non Haz, non regulated Solids; 7 drums Non-Haz, non regulated Water; 20 drums Waste Flammable Liquids, D001; 1 drum Waste Corrosive Liquid, D002; 1 drum