

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region IV
POLLUTION REPORT

Date: Friday, January 30, 2009

From: Richard Jardine

Subject: Initial POLREP

Richard Road Abandoned Drums
1307 Richard Road, Decatur, GA
Latitude: 33.7553500
Longitude: -84.2457700

POLREP No.:	1	Site #:	
Reporting Period:	Friday 30JAN09	D.O. #:	
Start Date:	1/30/2009	Response Authority:	CERCLA
Mob Date:	1/30/2009	Response Type:	Emergency
Demob Date:		NPL Status:	Non NPL
Completion Date:		Incident Category:	Removal Action
CERCLIS ID #:		Contract #	
RCRIS ID #:			

Site Description

Five abandoned drums were found leaking in a residential neighborhood in Decatur, GA. The Decatur Fire-HAZMAT righted the drums, applied absorbent materials to the spilled substances on the driveway, and wrapped the drums under a tarp. GA EPD contacted EPA to conduct a removal action.

Current Activities

EPA attempted to determine the owner of the property where the abandoned drums are located. Les Sims (Phone Duty) attempted to contact the alleged owner as provided by the local government. According to a neighbor the owner also is in possession of the house next door and the one across the street.

START consultant Tetra Tech sampled the five drums for hazard categorization field testing. All drums were characterized to be organic. Four were determined to have a combustible component. None were water soluble.

START resealed the drums and covered them with the tarp; then banded the unit with duct tape.

Planned Removal Actions

ERRS contractor ER will overpack the drums and provide for proper disposal.

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