

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region I
POLLUTION REPORT

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From: Frank Gardner

Subject: Old Bondsville Factory
Palmer/Belchertown, MA
Latitude: 42.2192630
Longitude: -72.3420190

POLREP No.:	4	Site #:	015P
Reporting Period:	January 2009	D.O. #:	001
Start Date:	9/17/2008	Response Authority:	CERCLA
Mob Date:	9/17/2008	Response Type:	Time-Critical
Demob Date:		NPL Status:	Non NPL
Completion Date:		Incident Category:	Removal Action
CERCLIS ID #:	MAD0000034215	Contract #	EP-W-08061
RCRIS ID #:	MAD0000034215		

Site Description

The Old Bondsville Factory Site is the former location of a textile mill located in Palmer and Belchertown, Massachusetts. Covering about 12 acres, the Site is bordered to the north and west by residential properties, to the east by a dam across the Swift River, and to the south by Main Street in Palmer and Depot Street in Belchertown.

During an April 2008 Targeted Brownfields Assessment, EPA's Brownfields program observed high levels of lead and arsenic in surface soils and referred the Site to the Emergency Planning and Response Branch (EPRB) in May 2008. EPA conducted a removal site investigation on July 8-11, 2008 which confirmed the presence of high levels of arsenic and lead in surface soils. The site investigation was closed on July 25, 2008 with the recommendation that a time critical removal action be conducted. See polrep 1 for additional site background information.

Current Activities

See previous polreps for removal activities conducted prior to January 8, 2009.

On January 8, 2009, the Emergency Rapid Response Services (ERRS) contractor began loading out the stockpile of excavated soil. Excavation of remaining grids of contaminated surface soils resumed on January 21, 2009. Excavation and loadout activities were both completed on January 30, 2009.

In total, 136 grids of contaminated surface soils were excavated, generating 2,344 tons of contaminated soils.

Planned Removal Actions

Remaining removal activities planned for the spring of 2009 include backfilling and grading excavations with clean fill and applying loam and seed to disturbed areas.

Next Steps

The contractor will remobilize in the spring of 2009 complete the remaining removal activities.

Disposition of Wastes

From January 8, 2009 through January 30, 2009, 110 truckloads (2,344 tons) of contaminated surface soils were sent to the Clinton County landfill in Morrisonville, NY for disposal via landfilling.