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#### CHAPTER 1

# INTRODUCTION

# 1.1 SITE DESCRIPTION

#### Location

The Beaver Smelting site is located on Beaver Lane Road (aka Hornbeck Road) in Woodbourne, an unincorporated area of the Town of Fallsburg, Sullivan County, New York (Figure 1-1). The site has been used for recycling and smelting scrap metals.

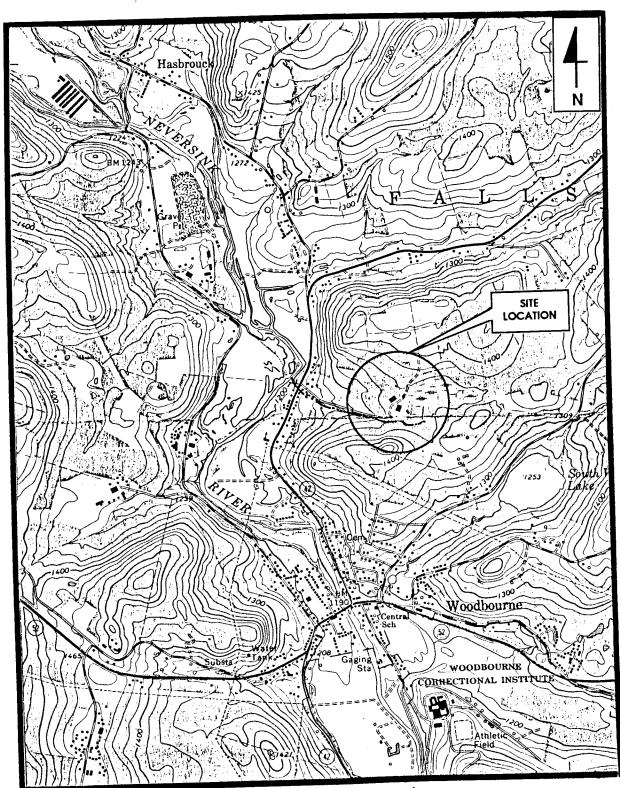
#### Ash Fills

There are three smelting ash fills on the site (Plate 1 at the back of this report). The largest, with an estimated volume of  $7000 \text{ yd}^3$ , is located along Beaver Lane Road in front of the facility and is referred to as the Main Fill. The fill is wedge shaped in cross section (thinner to the east and deeper to the west) because it was placed over the westward sloping land. The surface is relatively level and supplements the available space for the temporary storage of scrap materials.

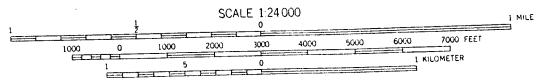
Behind the main processing building, on the west side of the site, is a smaller (1100  $yd^3$ ) fill, referred to as the Back Fill. This fill is more uniform in depth (generally around 4 ft) than the wedge-shaped Main Fill and is located in a marshy area. The surface is relatively level and is also used for temporary scrap storage.

The Far Fill, some 800 ft to the north of the other two fills, contains about 570  $yd^3$  of ash placed in two mounds on top of the south sloping land.

# FIGURE 1-1 SITE LOCATION



SOURCE: USGS Grahamsville, N.Y. Quadrangle 1966 (photorevised 1982)



## <u>Drainage</u>

The site drains to an unnamed brook (referred to as Beaver Smelting Stream) that flows west some 2000 ft to the Neversink River. The brook originates in the previously mentioned marshy area of the Back Fill, southeast of the processing building. As shown in Plate 1, there is a small impoundment in the brook. The vertical fall of the brook from the site to its confluence with the Neversink River is 140 ft.

# Geology and Soils

The site is underlain by rocks of the Hamilton Group that are of estuarine origin and consist mainly of graywacke sandstones, although they include variations of gray and red shales and coarse conglomerates. The Hamilton Group rocks are middle to late Devonian in age and were deposited as an extremely complex delta known as the Catskill Delta. This delta was spread out as a broad apron of sediments and formed along the western foothills of a newly created eastern highlands. These rocks later formed the region known as the Catskill plateau, which was dissected and subsequently formed what is known today as the Catskill Mountains. These sandstones range from red to gray. The alternating shales, sandstones, and conglomerates lie almost horizontal, but dip in various directions, forming gentle folds that are most pronounced to the east and die out to the west.

The thick, layered series of shales of the Hamilton Group are rich in clay. As such, they carry the potential for high ion exchange and metal ion retention. Most surfaces of this formation display casts of sperifer brachiopod fossils whose solid carbonate parts have been weathered. Additionally, these shales have calcitecemented zones beneath the weathered layers. Beneath the zones of weathering, carbonate matter in the rock will undoubtedly increase

the ground and vadose water pH. Common carbonates require pH values of approximately 8 before a cement precipitate develops. Such high vadose water pH values will diminish ion mobility in vadose waters in the rock, should cations escape exchange with the abundant clays available in the shale matrix.

Overlying the Hamilton Group are glacial tills and soils. Depths to bedrock in the vicinity range from 10 to 20 ft, although there are variations throughout the site and the region. The soil recovered from the borings drilled by LMS into the till exhibits unmistakable evidence of a fragipan, determined by the large number of blow counts (see drilling logs), perched water table (following section), and survey of area soils. This fragipan characteristically causes a low vertical permeability on the order of 0.03-0.1 ft/day. Overriding this pan surface are soils whose lateral permeabilities ordinarily reach from 20 to 50 in./hr, depending on the soil texture. As a result, most of the precipitation runs off the surface of the site toward the brook.

#### Groundwater

Two distinct water tables underlie the site. The upper table is located in the soil and ranges from several inches to several feet in depth below grade, depending on precipitation. The water in the soil shows little vertical mobility, as indicated by the continued saturated condition of the soil, even on areas of moderate slopes. This type of groundwater condition is referred to as a "perched" water table and is believed to be caused by the occurrence of the dense subsurface layer of soil (fragipan) beneath the perched water table. No known groundwater wells in the area utilize this aquifer.

The second water table lies under the surface at depths of over 300 ft. The on-site well was drilled into this bedrock aquifer to a

depth of over 350 ft. A well to the west of the property was drilled into the bedrock to a depth of approximately 400 ft before the water table was reached. The site well showed an artesian condition, i.e., a confined aquifer pressure condition. The water in the well was under pressure and as soon as the water bearing zone was intersected, this pressure allowed the water level to rise 250 ft in the well to within 100 ft of the ground surface. The elevation of the bottom of the on-site well is 1050 ft above sea level and the well to the west of the property is 1000 ft above sea level. Both of these elevations are between 100 and 150 ft below that of the nearby river level. It is unlikely that the aquifer is being recharged from the river as the water levels in the wells reach higher than the valley base. The higher water levels may be a result of the geologic structure of the rocks that underlie the site. These rocks dip gently to the west, with the dip gradually increasing toward the east, thus creating a situation in which pressures may exist below the confining beds that underlie the site. The recharge area is unknown, but the geologic structure of the region suggests that recharge may be from the higher elevations to the east.

#### Water Supply

The site and properties in its vicinity are served by individual supply wells. Woodbourne is served by a public water system supplied by wells; the nearest is 0.7 miles from the site.

# 1.2 REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION

A remedial investigation was conducted by Lawler, Matusky & Skelly Engineers (LMS) at the request of Whiteman, Osterman & Hanna, counsel for Beaver Smelting Co. as part of the legal defense in the Federal court action entitled "State of New York vs Beaver Smelting

and Refining Co., Inc., et al." The field investigation involved the following activities:

#### Fall 1986

- Construction of 11 shallow (12-20 ft deep) groundwater monitoring wells in the sediment adjacent to the three ash fills
- 2. Drilling of five additional borings in the ash and sediment to depths of 2-17 ft below grade
- Collection of 11 water samples from the groundwater monitoring wells, eight from the seeps at the bases of the fills, and five from the brook
- Collection of three sediment samples from the site pond
- Laboratory analyses of all water and pond sediment samples for heavy metals and some groundwater samples for volatile organic compounds (VOCs)
- Laboratory analyses of soil samples for cation exchange capacity (CEC)

#### Summer 1987

- Resampling of ground and surface waters for heavy metals
- 2. Aerial photography (spring 1987) and photogrammetric mapping of the site (including horizontal and vertical survey of monitoring wells)

#### Fall 1987

- Drilling of 10 borings in each of the three fills (to determine the depth of ash in each) and collection of ash samples
- 2. Bench-scale, chemical treatability study

Except for the slug testing of the monitoring wells to provide data on aquifer permeability, these investigations were completed in conformance with "Plan for Field Investigations at Beaver Smelting Site" prepared by LMS in August 1986 and amended by subsequent correspondence with New York State Department of Law (NYSDOL). The results of the fall 1986 investigation are reported in "Preliminary Report on Field Investigations at Beaver Smelting Site" (February 1987). The results of the summer 1987 investigation are reported in "Report on July Groundwater and Surface Water Sampling at Beaver Smelting Site" (October 1987). For reader convenience, Appendix A presents the summaries of the analytical data in those two reports. The findings for the drilling and treatability study have not been reported previously, and are presented in Appendices B, and C, respectively.

In addition to the aforementioned activities, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) staff collected six split samples that were subsequently analyzed by a NYSDEC contract laboratory. The results of these analyses were incorporated into the two prior LMS reports.

#### 1.3 GROUNDWATER CHEMISTRY

## Main Fill

Two upgradient and three downgradient groundwater wells were constructed in the soil around this fill. Because of the clay and silt in the till, the water samples tended to be turbid, so filtered (dissolved) and unfiltered (total) metals samples were collected. The dissolved metals concentrations are considered more representative of the groundwater chemistry. Selenium was found in both upgradient and downgradient wells at dissolved concentrations in excess of New York State groundwater standards. (Selenium is discussed in more detail below.) Otherwise, no contravention of

groundwater standards was observed in the filtered (dissolved) metals samples collected by LMS. One lead excursion was observed in one unfiltered (total) sample (sample - 26 ug/l; standard - 25 ug/l).

Although within standards, downgradient concentrations for dissolved cadmium and dissolved nickel were greater than upgradient concentrations. Conductivity in the upgradient wells was 25-50% of that in the downgradient wells. The downgradient concentration for total iron was 11 mg/l in a NYSDEC sample. Although no upgradient sample was collected, the magnitude of the iron concentration and findings for cadmium, nickel, and conductivity suggest that the Main Fill has had an impact upon the groundwater in the soil.

## Far Fill

One upgradient and two downgradient groundwater monitoring wells were constructed in the soil around this fill. Except for selenium, no contraventions of groundwater standards were observed in the filtered samples collected in this area. For the total (unfiltered) metals sample, excursions were observed for downgradient chromium, but not upgradient. Total lead was detected upgradient and downgradient. However, only the upgradient value exceeded standards: that may be a result of the turbidity of this unfiltered sample rather than the condition of the groundwater.

Downgradient conductivity was approximately double the upgradient conductivity. This finding, together with the NYSDEC finding of a downgradient iron concentration of 46 mg/l, suggests that the Far Fill has had an impact upon the groundwater in the soil.

#### Back Fill

One upgradient and two downgradient monitoring wells were constructed in the soil around this fill. Lead and cadmium were not detected upgradient, but were found downgradient at concentrations two to three times the groundwater standards. The downgradient zinc concentrations were over 200 times the upgradient concentrations. One downgradient zinc concentration exceeded groundwater standards.

#### Selenium

As indicated previously, selenium was detected in several monitoring wells. At the Main Fill, the upgradient concentrations were in the 5-195 ug/l range, whereas the downgradient concentrations were in the 8-58 ug/l range. The groundwater standard is 10 ug/l. These findings suggest the presence of an upgradient or background source. At the Far Fill, selenium concentrations were <5 ug/l upgradient and 415-645 ug/l downgradient. As detailed in Appendix C, however, little selenium was found in the EP toxicity tests conducted on the ash and no selenium was detected in the EP toxicity tests conducted by NYSDEC's laboratory. Therefore, the pathway by which the selenium has entered the groundwater is unknown.

#### VOCs

No volatiles were detected in the samples collected from the groundwater monitoring wells.

#### 1.4 SEEP CHEMISTRY

Because the ash is porous, rainwater readily percolates through the fill, encounters the hardpan till, moves horizontally along this

relatively impermeable layer, and then emerges as seeps along the downhill edges of the fills. Depressions in the tilly soil tend to retain puddles of this water. The concentrations of cadmium (<5-18 ug/l) and lead (29-235 ug/l) in the Main Fill seeps were greater than those in the Main Fill monitoring wells. The pH of the seeps ranged from 4.4 to 8.8 and was inversely correlated with the lead concentrations. No lead or cadmium was detected in the Far Fill seep.

The concentrations of cadmium (<5-29 ug/1), lead (5-30 ug/1), and zinc (118-7200 ug/1) in the Back Fill seeps were similar to those measured in the groundwater.

#### 1.5 SURFACE WATERS

Water samples were collected from Beaver Smelting Stream at five sampling stations in November 1986 and eight stations in July 1987. The Neversink River was sampled only in July. Cadmium was not detected (5 ug/l method detection limit) in November. The only detections in July were just above the detection limit - 6 ug/l at the start of stream flow (Station S-1) and 7 ug/l below the Main Fill (Station S-4).

Lead concentrations increase as the brook flows past the site. Farther downstream the concentrations are lower, suggesting that there is no additional lead load and that interbasin flow provides some dilution, or that the metal has settled with the solids in quiescent zones in the streambed.

The zinc pattern is similar to that for lead: increase in concentration as the brook flows past the site and dilution farther downstream. However, the impact of this dilution is not as marked as it is for lead, which may be a result of random laboratory/sampling variation, an additional source of zinc farther downstream, or less

streambed deposition since zinc does not have as high an affinity for solids as lead does.

Samples were collected from the Neversink River upstream and down-stream of its confluence with the brook. Both upstream and down-stream concentrations for all three metals (cadmium, lead, and zinc) were below the method detection limit.

The area surface waters are markedly soft. The start of flow of the brook exhibits a hardness of only 4.6 mg/l; the hardness gradually increases toward the mouth of the stream (29.1 mg/l). The hardness of the Neversink River is in the 7.5 to 9.6 mg/l range.

The Neversink River is a Class B water. Beaver Smelting Stream is unclassified and intermittent. It has the general characteristics of Class D waters. The water quality standards for Class D waters, however, are based, in part, on fish survival. As it is intermittent and contains no known pools, the stream is probably not capable of providing a suitable habitat for fish survival. The New York surface water quality standards for the three metals of concern are dependent on hardness (except for the Class B zinc standard, which is 30 ug/l). Low hardness results in more stringent standards. The calculated standard for cadmium at all sampling locations is less than 1 ug/l. This concentration is below the method detection limit.

The standards for lead are somewhat less stringent than those for cadmium, but because of the softness of the waters, the standards are still in the low part-per-billion range. As a result, the samples at all locations on Beaver Smelting Stream (both upstream and downstream) exceed the calculated standards for a Class D water. At the start of streamflow (upstream of the Main Fill, but downstream of the Back Fill), the lead concentration is nine times the standard. At the mouth of the stream the excursion is reduced to

only three to four times. The lead standard for the Neversink River is far less than the method detection limit (5 ug/l). In any event, no lead was detected in the Neversink River at the 5 ug/l detection limit and therefore there is no measurable impact.

# 1.6 TREATABILITY STUDY

The results of a treatability study conducted on the ash are presented in Appendix C and summarized in this section. The study's objective was to evaluate the potential for the ash fills to leach metals under the worst case conditions expected to occur at the site and to evaluate the feasibility of placing lime on top of the ash fills to reduce the leaching of metals by acid rain. The study involved the percolation of acid (pH of 3.5) and lime-treated rain (pH of 12.5) through an ash column. The equivalent of one year of infiltration was studied. Column depths of 1 ft and 5 ft were utilized. Leachate samples were tested for lead, cadmium, iron, and pH.

The ash has a high buffering capacity. With a dosing of 3.5 pH rainfall, the leachate pH never fell below 7.6 for the 5-ft column and 8.0 for the 1-ft column.

The leachate samples were analyzed initially by flame atomic adsorption with detection limits of 5 ug/l (cadmium), 100 ug/l (lead), and 30 ug/l (iron). No metals were found in the leachate of treated and untreated ashes at these detection limits.

Lead samples collected at the beginning and end of the tests were then reanalyzed by furnace atomic adsorption to achieve a low (5 ug/l) detection limit. For the untreated ash in the 5-ft column, the beginning-of-test (after the equivalent of 8 in. of infiltration) lead concentration in the leachate was 96 ug/l. For the 1-ft column, the beginning-of-test (3 in. of infiltration) concentration

was 37 ug/l. At the end of the test (the equivalent of one year of infiltration), concentrations were 5 ug/l for both columns. No lead was detected (5 ug/l detection limit) in the leachate of the column with lime-treated rainfall.

The treatability study demonstrates that liming the surface (the top 6 in.) of the fills will reduce (or eliminate) the leaching of lead from the ash. In addition, the study demonstrated that the ash is not prone to leaching metals from the percolation of acid rain. This finding is considered further in the next section.

#### 1.7 PATHWAY FOR METALS MIGRATION

## Ash

Three mechanisms are believed to account for the movement of metals from the ash fills into the adjacent seeps, groundwater, and surface water. The first is that acid rain infiltrates the porous fills, leaches metals, and then emerges as seeps at the downhill toe of the fills. The treatability study indicates that acid rain is buffered by the ash and that this mechanism (leaching by acid rain) can account for only a portion of the lead observed in the seeps and groundwater and does not account for any of the cadmium or iron (other metals were not tested).

The second mechanism, applicable to the Main and Far Fills, is erosion of ash into the soil and puddled acid seeps downhill of the fills. Being in relatively continuous contact with the acid environment, the eroded ash would loose its buffering capacity and leach metals.

The third mechanism is applicable to the Back Fill. The pH of the seeps or standing water adjacent to this fill ranges from 3.8 to 5.2, lower than measured around the other fills. The pH of the

groundwater (4.3 to 4.6) in this marshy area is comparable to the surface water pH. Here the ash was placed directly into the marshy area. Because of the continual submergence of the ash in the low pH environment, the concentrations of metals in the adjacent groundwater monitoring wells are higher than those for the downgradient wells adjacent to the other two fills.

In summary, the mobility of the metals from the ash appears to be related to leaching by rain and erosion or placement in an acid environment, as in the case of the Back Fill.

# Ground and Surface Waters

Background. The previous section indicated that the hardpan till results in a locally perched water table. Most precipitation runs off the land to the brook or evapotranspires. The little infiltration that does occur will migrate primarily toward the brook through the more porous 1-2 ft of soil on top of the till. Some small fraction of infiltration enters the till from which groundwater movement is believed to be primarily toward the brook. Seepage from the till to the bedrock aquifer is not believed to be significant because of the low vertical permeability of the till, depth to the bedrock water bearing zones, and apparent lack of hydraulic communication between the shallow and the pressurized water bearing rock.

<u>Back Fill</u>. The topography and water levels in the monitoring wells indicate that the groundwater affected by the Back Fill seeps is influent to the pond to the southwest. However, no lead has been detected in the influent to the pond. This finding may be a result of adsorption of lead in the staturated soil and/or dilution by the additional ground and surface water flows.

Main Fill. Although the dissolved concentrations of several metals in the groundwater are higher downgradient of the fill than upgradient, the downgradient toxic metals groundwater standards are not violated. (The data are anomalous for selenium.) However, the metals concentrations in the brook downstream of this fill are too high to be a result of the concentrations observed in the groundwater.

A possible cause for the metals observed in the stream is seepage of water through the porous shallow soil above the much less permeable (glacial till) saturated groundwater zone in which the monitoring wells are screened. The concentrations in this shallow seepage may be similar to those observed in the samples collected from the seeps in November (29-235 ug/l lead; <5-18 ug/l cadmium; and 235-1550 ug/l zinc.

<u>Far Fill</u>. Except for selenium, the concentrations of toxic metals in the groundwater downgradient of this fill appear to be within groundwater standards. The one seep sample collected in November was free of toxic metals.

#### CHAPTER 2

# LEGAL CONSIDERATION AND REPORT OBJECTIVES

#### 2.1 INTRODUCTION

Having established that the primary chemicals of concern (lead, selenium, cadmium, and zinc) are being transported from the site via the shallow, nonpotable groundwater and via surface water runoff and streams, the next step in the feasibility study process is the selection of the appropriate remedial alternative. LMS has been advised by counsel for Beaver Smelting Company that the following legal considerations should govern the selection of alternatives.

Congress has adopted amendments to the comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), sometimes referred to as Superfund. These amendments were enacted 17 October 1986 in Public Law No. 99-499, which is referred to as the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). It is uncertain which of SARA's provisions apply where a state, rather than the Federal government, is pursuing an action for injunctive relief and damages. In the Federal Court action, in addition to CERCLA, the state is proceeding for abatement of an alleged public nuisance. Because of multiple causes of actions, it is not clear what standards govern the selection of remedial alternatives. In the light of these uncertainties, counsel directed LMS to proceed to prepare this report on the assumptions stated below.

The remedial alternatives should assure protection of public health and the environment. Among alternatives that do so, the most cost effective is to be recommended. If a remedial alternative will provide adequate protection for public health and the environment,

it should not be rejected in favor of another alternative that is more expensive even though it is more protective of public health and the environment.

These conclusions are based on the following:

Section 121(a) of SARA provides that remedial programs shall be selected in accordance with the cleanup standards provided by that section and "to the extent practicable, the national contingency plan, and provide for cost-effective response."

The Congressional Conference Report on this provision explained it as follows:

The provision that actions under both sections 104 and 106 must be cost-effective is a recognition of EPA's existing policy as embodied in the National Contingency Plan. The term "cost-effective" means that in determining the appropriate level of cleanup, the President first determines the appropriate level of environmental and health protection to be achieved and then selects the cost-efficient means of achieving that goal. Only after the President determines, by selection of applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements, that adequate protection of human health and the environment will be achieved, is it appropriate to consider cost effectiveness.

EPA, in issuing the current National Contingency Plan, pointed out that a remedial alternative need not be selected if it is more expensive merely because it is "more protective." In the Preamble to the National Contingency Plan, EPA stated:

The approach embodied in today's rule is to select a cost-effective alternative from a range of remedies that protects the public health and welfare and the environment. First, it is clear that if all the remedies examined are equally feasible, reliable, and provide the same level of protection, the lead agency will select the least expensive remedy. Second, where all factors are not equal, the lead agency must evalu-

ate the cost, level of protection, and reliability of each alternative... Finally, the lead agency would not always select the most protective option, regardless of cost. The lead agency would instead consider costs, technology, reliability, administrative, and other concerns, and their effects on public health and welfare and the environment. This allows selection of an alternative that is most appropriate for the specific site in question [50 Fed. Reg. 47921 (20 November 1985)]. (Emphasis supplied.)

The applicable, relevant, and appropriate requirements (ARARs) for the chemicals of concern in the identified pathways are discussed in the following sections.

# 2.2 NATIONAL CONTINGENCY PLAN (NCP)

The NCP presents a list of factors that should be considered when setting site-specific cleanup goals. The NCP suggests that alternative remedial actions be developed that achieve or attempt to achieve the generic objectives in each of the following five categories:

- o No or minimal action
- o Alternatives for treatment or disposal at an offsite facility approved or approvable by EPA
- o Alternatives that attain applicable and relevant Federal public health or environmental standards
- o Alternatives that exceed (do better than) applicable and relevant public health or environmental standards
- o Alternatives that do not attain all applicable or relevant public health or environmental standards but will reduce the likelihood of present and future threats from hazardous substances and that provide significant protection to public health and welfare and the environment

While this report does not purport to be a formal feasibility study prepared in accordance in the NCP, the framework for analysis of remedial alternatives contained in the NCP will be followed herein.

#### 2.3 GROUNDWATER STANDARDS

Under 6 NYCRR 703.5, quality standards for groundwaters are defined as the most stringent of:

- i the items and specifications applicable to such waters found in this section
- ii the maximum contaminant levels for drinking water promulgated by the Commissioner of Health as found in 10 NYCRR Subpart 5-1, Public Water Supplies or any subsequent revision thereto or replacement thereof;
- iii the maximum contaminant levels for drinking water promulgated by the administrator under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA)... and 40 CFR Part 141, effective July 1, 1978...; and
  - iv the standards for raw water quality promulgated by the Commissioner of Health as found in 10 NYCRR Part 170, Sources of Water Supply or any subsequent revision thereto or replacement thereof."

Table 2-1 defines the metals concentrations for these standards. With the exception of standards for copper, selenium, and zinc, the New York groundwater quality standards are as stringent as (or more stringent than) the maximum contaminant levels (MCLs) promulgated under the New York community public drinking water supplies, the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), and the New York water quality standards for sources of raw water. The standard for copper is most stringent under the New York standards for raw water quality, <0.2 mg/l. The most stringent standard for selenium is in both the

TABLE 2-1 FEDERAL AND STATE STANDARDS APPLICABLE TO GROUNDWATERSa

|              |             | NEW YORK           | MAXIMUM CONTAMIN | NANT LEVELS  | NEW YORK          |                   |
|--------------|-------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|              |             | GROUNDWATER        | NEW YORK         | TOTAL ELTELS | SOURCES OF        |                   |
|              |             | QUALITY            | PUBLIC WATER     |              | WATER SUPPLY      | NEW YORK          |
|              |             | •                  | SUPPLY           | /EEDEDAL\    | RAW WATER         | EFFLUENT          |
|              | CONTANTNANT | STANDARD           |                  | (FEDERAL)    |                   |                   |
|              | CONTAMINANT | CLASS GA           | DRINKING WATER   | SDWA         | QUALITY           | STANDARDS         |
|              | A 7         | NC                 | NC               | NC           | NC                | 2 0               |
|              | Aluminum    | NS                 | NS               | NS           | NS                | 2.0               |
|              | Arsenic     | 0.025 <sup>C</sup> | 0.05             | 0.050        | 0.05              | 0.05              |
| <i>L</i>     | Barium      | 1.0 <sup>c</sup>   | 1.0              | NS           | 1.0               | 2.0               |
|              | Cadmium     | 0.01 <sup>C</sup>  | 0.010 .          | 0.010        | 0.01              | 0.02              |
|              | Chromium    | 0.05bc             | 0.05             | 0.050        | 0.05b             | 0.10 <sup>b</sup> |
|              | Copper ►    | 1.0                | 1.0              | NS           | <0.2 <sup>c</sup> | 1.0               |
| JAK          | Iron        | 0.3c               | 0.3              | NS           | NS                | 0.6               |
| -            | -Lead       | 0.025 <sup>C</sup> | 0.05             | 0.050        | 0.05              | 0.05              |
|              | Manganese   | 0.3c               | 0.3              | NS           | NS                | 0.6               |
|              | Mercury     | 0.002 <sup>c</sup> | 0.002            | 0.002        | 0.005             | 0.004             |
|              | Nickel      | NS                 | NS               | NS           | NS                | 2.0               |
| <del>?</del> | Selenium ↔  | 0.02               | 0.01 .           | 0.010        | 0.01 <sup>c</sup> | 0.04              |
|              | Silver      | 0.05 <sup>c</sup>  | 0.05             | 0.050        | 0.05              | 0.1               |
| <u>`</u>     | Zinc        | 5.0                | 5.0              | NS           | <u>&lt;0.3</u> c  | 5.0               |
|              |             |                    |                  |              |                   |                   |

NS - No standard.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>All units in mg/l. <sup>b</sup>Hexavalent.

CMost stringent standard.

Federal MCLs and the New York water quality standards for sources of raw water (0.01 mg/l). The most stringent standard for zinc, <0.3 mg/l, is promulgated by the New York water quality standards for sources of raw water.

Also included in Table 2-1 are the New York metals standards for effluent discharges to Class GA groundwaters. Aluminum and nickel are the only two metals that have discharge but not water quality standards. The groundwater sampling results at the site are summarized and compared with the standards in Chapter 1.

All groundwater in the State of New York is classified as either "GA" (nonsaline) or GSA" (saline). The groundwater at the site is thus classified as GA. The purpose of the groundwater quality standards is to protect the groundwaters for use as a potable water supply (see 6 NYCRR 703.2). The groundwater table impacted by the ash fills, i.e., the upper table located in soil, is a perched water table that is not known to be used as a potable water supply. Water movement is believed to be primarily toward the brook. Seepage from the till to the bedrock is not believed to be significant because of the low permeability of the till, the depth to bedrock water-bearing zones, and the apparent lack of hydraulic communication between the shallow and the pressurized water-bearing rock.

#### 2.4 AMBIENT SURFACE WATER QUALITY STANDARDS

Ambient surface water quality standards are defined in 6 NYCRR 701.14 based on classes of fresh surface waters as defined in 6 NYCRR 701.19. The Beaver Smelting Stream is unclassified, but it has the general characteristics of Class D surface waters, with the exception, discussed previously, that it is probably not suitable for fish survival. The Neversink River, into which the Beaver Smelting Stream drains, is a Class B surface water. Table 2-2 sum-

TABLE 2-2 NEW YORK STATE AMBIENT SURFACE WATER STANDARDS FOR CLASS B AND D SURFACE WATERS

| CONTAMINANT           | CLASS B STANDARD<br>(mg/l) | CLASS D STANDARD<br>(mg/1) |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| A7                    | 100                        |                            |
| Aluminum              | 100                        | NS                         |
| Arsenic               | 190                        | 360                        |
| Barium                | NS                         | NS                         |
| Beryllium             | 11 <sup>a</sup>            | NS                         |
| Boron                 | 10,000                     | NS                         |
| Cadmium <sup>b</sup>  | exp (0.7852 [ln(ppm        | exp (1.128[ln(ppm          |
| L                     | hardness]-3.49)            | hardness)]-3.828)          |
| Chromium <sup>b</sup> | exp (0.819 [ln(ppm         | exp (0.819 [ln(ppm         |
|                       | hardness)]+1.561           | l) hardness)]+3.688)       |
| Cobalt <sub>.</sub>   | 5                          | NS                         |
| Copper <sup>b</sup>   | exp (0.8545 [ln(ppm        | exp (0.9422 [ln(ppm        |
| • •                   | hardness)]-1.465           |                            |
| Iron                  | 300 -                      | 300 /                      |
| Lead <sup>b</sup>     | exp (1.266 [ln(ppm         | exp (1.266 [ln(ppm         |
|                       | hardness)]-4.661           |                            |
| Magnesium             | NS                         | NS NS                      |
| Manganese             | NS                         | NS                         |
| Mercury               | NS                         | NS                         |
| Nickel                | exp (0.76 [ln(ppm          | exp (0.76 [ln(ppm          |
| MICKET                | hardness)]+1.06            |                            |
| Selenium              | 1                          | NS                         |
| Silver d              | 0.1c                       | exp (1.72 [ln(ppm          |
| STIVEL -              | 0.1                        |                            |
| Thallium              | 8                          | hardness)]-6.52)<br>20     |
|                       |                            |                            |
| Vanadium              | 14                         | 190                        |
| Zinc                  | 30                         | exp (0.83 [ln(ppm          |
|                       |                            | hardness)]+1.95)           |

NS - No standard.

exp - Exponent base "e."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>When hardness is less than or equal to 75 ppm. bStandards hardness dependent as indicated by formula.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>C</sup>Ionic silver.

dStandard for Class D hardness dependent as indicated.

marizes the ambien' Water quality standards for Class B and D surface waters. These standards are compared with measured surface water quality at the site and summarized in Chapter 1. With regard to the on-site stream and assuming a D classification, violations are shown both upstream and downstream of the site for such metals as cadmium, lead, and zinc based to some extent on the softness of these surface waters (standards for several metals are hardness dependent and more stringent as the softness of the water increases).

It should be noted, however, the water quality standards for Class D are based, in part, on standards for fish survival (see 6 NYCRR 701.8; 701.10, and Appendix 31). Plant personnel report that the stream is intermittent with little or no flow during significant portions of the summer months. Although a biological reconnaissance has not been conducted, the stream is not considered a fisheries resource because of the intermittent flow.

#### 2.5 HEALTH AND SAFETY

A site-specific safety and health plan will be prepared for the remedial response. The Safety and Health Plan will address the safety and health hazards posed by the operations and activities necessary to implement the selected remedial plan. The Safety and Health Plan will include the names of those responsible for assuring that safe practices and procedures are followed on the site; employee training assignments; required personal protective equipment for each work task and operation; site control measures and contingency planning.

In developing the cost estimates for the remedial alternatives, it was assumed that most, if not all, of the remedial activity could be conducted by a local contractor. The construction activities such as the construction or placement of temporary facilities, road

building for site access, erosion control, and the placement of cover will be done in accordance with the construction activity standards of OSHA, i.e., 29 CRF Part 1926, to the extent applicable rather than requirements of 29 CRF Part 1910.120 (see 51 Fed. Reg. 45655).

#### CHAPTER 3

#### FORMULATION AND EVALUATION OF ALTERNATIVES

#### 3.1 INTRODUCTION

Eight remedial alternatives within four categories have been formulated. The categories are:

- 1. No or minimal action (one alternative)
- 2. Disposal of the ash at an off-site facility approved by EPA (one alternative)
- 3. Capping of the ash on-site (five alternatives)
- 4. Capping of the ash on-site and groundwater remediation (one alternative)

A number of technical measures potentially applicable to the eight alternatives were screened. For the sake of report brevity and clarity, these measures are discussed with the text that describes the formation and evaluation of the alternatives.

The alternatives are summarized in Table 3-1. A more detailed description of the technical components of each alternative is presented in Table 3-2.

#### 3.2 NO ACTION (ALTERNATIVE A)

Under this alternative the three fills would be left in place and no further action would be taken. There would be no placement of additional ash on the fills.

Because the fills have been in place for the past few decades, there is no reason to believe that future environmental conditions

TABLE 3-1
FORMULATION OF REMEDIAL ACTION ALTERNATIVES

|    | CATEGORY                        |    | ALTERNATIVE  |
|----|---------------------------------|----|--|
| 1. | No remedial action              | Α. | No action  |
| 2. | Off-site disposal               | В. | Excavate ash for disposal at RCRA secure landfill.   |
| 3. | Cap                             | С. | Consolidate materials into a single fill and cap. Riprap to control erosion. Alternatives for the cap include: |
|    |                                 |    | Impervious Cap   |
|    |                                 |    | C1 - synthetic (PVC) cap C2 - clay cap C3 - treatment of ash with lime and placement of a synthetic cap        |
|    |                                 |    | Soil Cap   |
|    |                                 |    | C4 - soil cap<br>C5 - treatment of ash with lime and<br>placement of a soil cap                                |
| 4. | Cap and groundwater remediation | D. | Cap in accordance with Alternative C3 and collect groundwater for off-site disposal.                           |

TABLE 3-2 COMPONENTS OF REMEDIAL ACTION ALTERNATIVES

|     |  |           |          | ALT | <b>ALTERNATIVE</b> | VE  |     |     |             |
|-----|--|-----------|----------|-----|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|-------------|
|     | 1  |           | В        |     |                    | ၁   |     |     |             |
|     |  | ∢         | OFF-SITE |     |                    | CAP |     |     | CAP & GX    |
|     | COMPONENT                                  | NO ACTION | DISPOSAL | C1  | 22                 | 2   | 2   | C2  | REMEDIALION |
| ;   | 1  |           | ×        | ×   | ×                  | ×   | ×   | ×   | ×           |
| 2.  |  |           |          | ×   | ×                  | ×   | ×   | ×   | ×           |
| ကိ  | Off-site ash disposal                      |           | ×        |     |                    |     |     |     |             |
| 4.  | Erosion control<br>A. Grading<br>B. Riprap |           |          | ××  | ××                 | ××  | ××  | ××  | **          |
| ъ.  | Lime treatment                             |           |          |     |                    | ×   |     | ×   | ×           |
| 9   | Сар  |           |          |     |                    |     |     |     |             |
|     | A. Clay<br>B. Synthetic<br>C. Till         |           |          | ××× | × ××               | ××× | ××  | ××  | × ×         |
| 7.  | D. Top soil<br>Septic relocation           |           |          | < × | ×                  | : × | : × | : × | ×           |
| . œ |  |           |          |     |                    |     |     |     | ×           |
| 6   | Off-site water disposal                    |           |          |     |                    |     |     |     | ×           |
| 10. | Environmental monitoring                   | 6         | ×        | ×   | ×                  | ×   | ×   | ×   | ×           |
|     |  |           |          |     |                    |     |     |     |             |

will be different from those observed during the remedial investigation. Therefore, there would be no need for future environmental monitoring.

Environmental conditions would be as described in Chapter 1. There would be numerical violations of New York groundwater standards in the till about the fills. However, the groundwater in this till is not used for water supply nor does it flow to a water supply aquifer. Therefore, there would be no adverse impact on water supply.

There would be continuing numerical violations of New York surface water standards in Beaver Smelting Stream. This stream is unclassified, however, and does not appear to be a fisheries resource. Therefore, the impact of these violations would be insignificant. There would be no measurable impact on the Neversink River.

# 3.3 OFF-SITE DISPOSAL (ALTERNATIVE B)

This alternative requires that the ash in the three fills be excavated and hauled to a RCRA landfill for secure burial. For the purpose of this evaluation it is assumed that all ash is hazardous waste. However, if this alternative was implemented, there could be sampling to allow disposal of the ash at separate hazardous and nonhazardous disposal sites. The ash in the Far Fill could be placed directly in lined 15-yd<sup>3</sup> roll-offs and carted off-site. At the Main and Back Fills, the metal scrap currently in place would have to be relocated. It is assumed that the Back Fill material would be excavated with a backhoe, placed in a dump truck, and then placed on top of the Main Fill. This action would allow the Back Fill ash to dewater, thereby eliminating the need for bulking. The leachate from the dewatering operation would be neutralized by the Main Fill ash, which has considerable buffering capacity. The treatability study indicates that there may be some short-term

release of lead. The estimated costs to accomplish this alternative are presented in Table 3-3. The prices are those that prevailed on 1 January 1988 (Engineering News-Record Index 20 Cities Average of 4,457).

Low-grade iron scrap currently stored on the Main Fill will have to be relocated; the costs are detailed below:

| ITEM | DESCRIPTION  | UNIT | QUANTITY | UNIT<br>PRICE<br>(\$) | AMOUNT   |
|------|--|------|----------|-----------------------|----------|
| 1.   | Cut and preparation  | Ton  | 500      | 20                    | 10,000   |
| 2.   | Loading (crane and operator) (based on two 20-ton loads/day) | Day  | 12.5     | 400                   | 5,000    |
| 3.   | Trucking   | Ton  | 500      | 20                    | 10,000   |
|      | Subtotal   |      |          |                       | 25,000   |
| 4.   | Low-grade iron salvage                                       | Ton  | 500      | 25                    | (12,500) |
|      | Total (net capital cost)                                     |      |          |                       | 12,500   |
|      |  |      |          |                       |          |

The \$25,000 cost for preparation, loading, and trucking of the scrap is 1005 than the \$12,500 salvage value. The net capital cost of \$12,500 is presented as "net scrap removal cost" on Line 7 of Table 3-3.

Unlike that on the Main Fill, the scrap adjacent to the Back Fill has a salvage value greater than the cost of preparation, loading, and trucking. This material could therefore be removed as part of the normal course of business by Beaver Smelting Co.

TABLE 3-3

COST ESTIMATE FOR OFF-SITE DISPOSAL (ALTERNATIVE B)

| ITEM          |        | DESCRIPTION                                      | UNIT            | QUANTITY    | UNIT PRICE (\$) | AMOUNT<br>(\$)       |
|---------------|--------|--|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| <u>Capita</u> | 1 Cost | <u>s</u>   |                 |             |                 |                      |
| 1<br>2        |        | Excavate Far Fill Excavate Back Fill and dewater | yd3<br>yd3      | 600<br>1100 | 1.90<br>5.15    | 1,140<br>5,665       |
| 3             |        | Excavate Main Fill (enlarged)                    | yd <sup>3</sup> | 8100        | 1.90            | 15,390               |
| 4             |        | Transportation to disposal site                  | yd <sup>3</sup> | 8700        | 120.00          | 1,044,000            |
| 5             |        | Hazardous waste disposal                         | yd <sup>3</sup> | 8700        | 195.00          | 1,696,500            |
| 6             |        | Nonhazardous waste disposal                      | yd <sup>3</sup> | 0           | 45.00           | 0                    |
| 7             |        | Net scrap removal cost                           | Lump sum        | 1           | 12,500.00       | 12,500               |
|               |        |  | Contingen       | cies @ 15%  |                 | 2,775,195<br>416,279 |
|               |        | Eng'g, legal,                                    | administra      | tive @ 15%  |                 | 3,191,474<br>478,721 |
|               |        |  |                 |             |                 | 3,670,195            |
| <u>Annual</u> | Costs  | (except monitoring)                              |                 |             |                 | 0                    |

The cost for future environmental monitoring is not included in Table 3-3. Monitoring is common to all of the alternatives (except No Action) and is addressed in Chapter 4.

Not included in the cost estimates are the following items:

- 1. Restoration of the Back and Far Fill grounds after excavation. The need to restore these areas has not been established. The estimated costs (\$80,170) for restoration are presented in Table 3-4.
- Lost value of the Main and Back Fills as storage areas.

This alternative would eliminate the source of metals to the groundwater. However, the concentrations of metals already in the groundwater would decline slowly as the aquifer is flushed by infiltrated precipitation. Since the upper 2 ft of soil is more porous, flushing would occur more rapidly here. In the relatively impervious till, flushing would be more time consuming.

# 3.4 CAP (ALTERNATIVE C)

#### General

As indicated in Chapter 1, metals are released from the three fills by a combination of acid rain leaching through the ash and erosion of ash into acidic puddles. Isolation of this ash from the rain and control of erosion on the steeper slopes of the fills should therefore eliminate the release of metals. These controls can be established by capping the fills and placing riprap and stone on the slopes. Much of the ash in the Back Fill is placed in direct contact with acidic groundwater. Therefore, to isolate this material, the ash must be excavated.

TABLE 3-4

ESTIMATED COSTS TO RESTORE FAR AND BACK FILLS

| ITEM          | DESCRIPTION   | UNIT  | QUANTITY                  | UNIT PRICE (\$)                  | AMOUNT<br>(\$)                |
|---------------|---|---|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Capital Costs |   |   |                           |                                  |                               |
| Far Fill      |   |   |                           |                                  |                               |
| 1             | Place subgrade<br>(0.5-ft average<br>depth)               | yd <sup>3</sup>                                       | 450                       | 8.00                             | 3,600                         |
| 2<br>3<br>4   | Fine grade<br>Furnish, place topsoil<br>Mulching, seeding | yd <sup>2</sup><br>yd <sup>3</sup><br>ft <sup>2</sup> | 2,600<br>450<br>24,000    | 0.25<br>20.00<br>0.18            | 650<br>9,000<br><u>4,320</u>  |
| Back Fill     |   |   |                           |                                  | 17,570                        |
| 1             | Place subgrade<br>(4-ft average depth)                    | yd <sup>3</sup>                                       | 3,800                     | 8.00                             | 30,400                        |
| 2<br>3<br>4   | Fine grade Furnish, place topsoil Mulching, seeding       | yd <sup>2</sup><br>yd <sup>3</sup><br>ft <sup>2</sup> | 2,900<br>500<br>26,000    | 0.25<br>20.00<br>0.18            | 725<br>10,000<br><u>4,680</u> |
|               |   |   |                           |                                  | 45,805                        |
|               |   | Total   | estimated const<br>Contir | cruction cost:<br>ngencies @ 10% | 63,375<br>6,338               |
|               |   | Eng'g,  | legal, adminis            | strative @ 15%                   | 69,713<br>10,457              |
|               |   |   |                           |                                  | 80,170                        |
| Annual Costs  |   |   |                           |                                  | 0                             |

The cost for caps is largely dependent on the total surface area. Therefore, this alternative specifies that the two small fills (1600  $yd^3$  in volume) be consolidated with the Main Fill (7000  $yd^3$ ). As explained below, this consolidation can be achieved without increasing the surface area of the Main Fill.

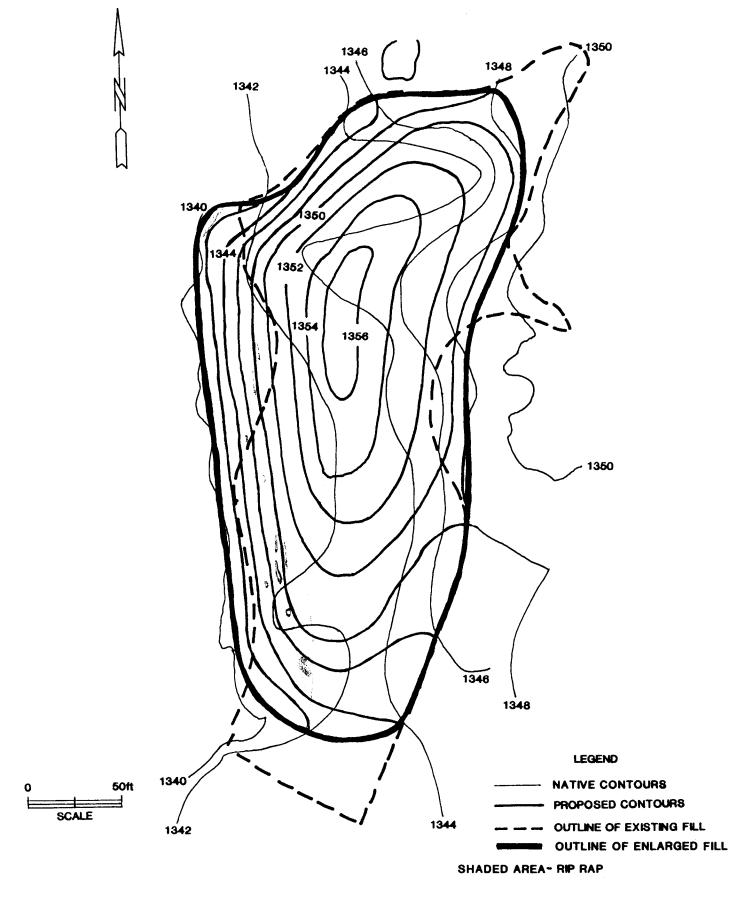
The existing on-site septic tank (or cesspool) located just east of the Main Fill is believed to be a small source of groundwater flow into the Main Fill. Therefore, this alternative (and others that would cap the Main Fill) specifies that the tank be relocated to the south of the processing building.

The local topography (Plate 1) and static water elevations measured in the monitoring wells during the remedial investigation indicate that there is no available groundwater flow through the till below the Main Fill. Because groundwater appears to flow radially away from the main processing area, there is no reason to install a groundwater barrier (e.g., slurry wall) upgradient of the Main Fill.

Proposed grades for the consolidated, capped Main Fill are depicted in Figure 3-1. The relatively steep western slope would be stabilized with stone riprap. The alternative to riprap would be to extend the fill to the west, which would increase the area of the fill and cost of the cap without any environmental benefit.

Figure 3-1 demonstrates that the eastward-sloping portion of the cap would not require riprap. Most of the runoff from precipitation falling on the cap here would drain to the east. Other site drainage is diverted around the cap. Straw, or a similar material, would have to be placed on the cap to prevent erosion during the initial growth of the vegetative cover.

FIGURE 3-1
ASH CONTOURS FOR ENLARGED MAIN FILL



Ash consolidation activities would entail:

- Relocation of metal scrap on the Back and Main Fills and the access roads to these areas
- 2. Movement by bucket loader of Far Fill ash onto the Main Fill
- 3. Excavation of Back Fill ash with a backhoe (progressing from east to west), placement onto a dump truck, and transport to the Main Fill.

Consolidation also entails regrading of the existing ash in the Main Fill. This activity involves (1) eliminating high spots, (2) excavating the thin southernmost and northernmost deposits of ash and placement on top of the fill, and (3) extending the western edge of the fill. To isolate the ash from the moist native soil, 1-ft deep common borrow would be placed in this area before the ash fill is extended.

The ash has a sand consistency. Therefore, there is no need to place a special liner subcourse to act as a bed for placement of the liner.

### Alternatives With an Impermeable Cap

Five alternatives for capping the fill were formulated. Alternative C1 provides a synthetic liner; C2, a clay liner. These two alternatives are reviewed to evaluate the relative advantages of a synthetic liner vs a clay liner.

Because of the relatively small size of the fill (about 1 acre), good foundation properties of the ash (no settling), and buffering offered by the ash, there is no need for examining more elaborate capping technologies, such as the so-called RCRA cap.

The costs for Alternative C1 (synthetic cap) are presented in Table 3-5. The costs provide for placing 60 mil PVC fabric directly on top of the ash. Sand for drainage and screened borrow excavated from the site would be placed to a depth of 0.8 ft over the plastic. Top soil (0.5 ft thick) would be placed over the borrow. Example specifications for the plastic used as a basis for the cost estimate are presented in Appendix D. It is anticipated that the specified material, when placed on the ash, will be sufficiently durable to withstand movement by light, rubber-tired vehicles during construction. There is no need for gas venting since no volatile organics, methane, or other gases are emitted by the fills. Figure 3-2 is a cross section of the fill with a synthetic cap.

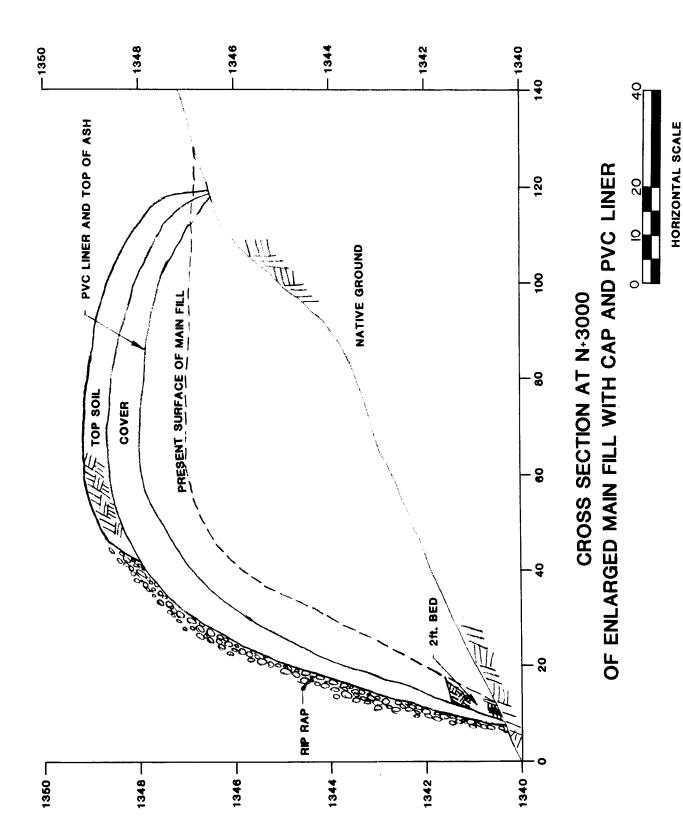
As for Alternative B, the estimated costs for Alternative C1 include (Line 12 of Table 3-5) relocation of the scrap, but do not include restoration of the Far and Back Fill areas or lost value of the Main and Back Fills for storage. However, restoration about the Main Fill following placement of the cap is provided for (Line 11). The ash is well drained; therefore, there should be no frost heaving below the ash to impact upon the integrity of the PVC fabric. The ash is well compacted and has the consistency of sand, so there should be no settlement of the fill.

Root penetration by trees and puncture by burrowing animals may impact upon the integrity of the PVC fabric. Since the fill borders a wooded area, burrowing may become a significant problem unless steps are implemented to reduce the cap as a hospitable environment. At a minimum, the grass on the cap should be cut and maintained four times per year. The costs also provide for an annual engineering inspection. It is assumed that repair of the cap will be needed at the rate of once per year per 5 acres (0.2 per year per acre).

TABLE 3-5

COST ESTIMATE FOR SYNTHETIC CAP (ALTERNATIVE C1)

| ITEM           | DESCRIPTION   | UNIT  | QUANTITY               | UNIT PRICE (\$)           | AMOUNT<br>(\$)           |
|----------------|---|---|------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>Capital</u> | Costs   |   |                        |                           |                          |
| 1              | Grade existing Main<br>Fill   | $yd^3$  | 2,500                  | 2.00                      | 5,000                    |
| 2<br>3<br>4    | Haul, place Far Fill<br>Haul, place Back Fill<br>Furnish, place synthetic<br>membrane | yd <sup>3</sup><br>yd <sup>3</sup><br>ft <sup>2</sup> | 600<br>1,100<br>44,000 | 1.90<br>5.15<br>1.00      | 1,140<br>5,665<br>44,000 |
| 5              | Borrow, place cover   | yd3   | 1,200                  | 6.50                      | 7,800                    |
| 6              | course<br>Furnish, place topsoil  | yd <sup>3</sup>                                       | 550                    | 20.00                     | 11,000                   |
| 7              | (east slope)<br>Furnish, place stone  | yd <sup>3</sup>                                       | 300                    | 29.50                     | 8,850                    |
| 8              | (west slope)<br>Erosion control   | yd <sup>3</sup>                                       | 75                     | 40.50                     | 3,037                    |
| 9<br>10        | courses<br>Mulching, seeding<br>Replace sewage  | ft <sup>2</sup><br>Lump sum                           | 32,000<br>1            | 0.18<br>4,000.00          | 5,760<br>4,000           |
| 11<br>12       | disposal system<br>Site restoration<br>Net scrap removal<br>cost                      | Lump sum<br>Lump sum                                  | 1                      | 6,000.00<br>12,500.00     | 6,000<br>12,500          |
|                |   |   | Contin                 | gencies @ 20%             | 114,752<br>22,950        |
|                |   | Eng'g, le   | egal, adminis          | trative @ 30%             | 137,702<br>41,311        |
|                |   |   |                        |                           | 179,013                  |
| <u>Annual</u>  | Costs (except monitoring)   |   |                        |                           |                          |
| 1<br>2<br>3    | Mowing<br>Inspection<br>Repair (every 5 yrs)  | Lump sum<br>Lump sum<br>Lump sum                      | 4<br>1<br>0.2          | 25.00<br>500.00<br>500.00 | 100<br>500<br><u>100</u> |
|                |   |   |                        |                           | 700                      |



The costs for Alternative C2 (clay cap) are presented in Table 3-6. The costs provide for 1 ft of clay, 2.8 ft of drainage sand and screened borrow from the site, and 0.5 ft of top soil. Comparison of Tables 3-6 and 3-5 indicates that the clay cap alternative costs five times the synthetic cap alternative. Hence, the formulation/evaluation of subsequent alternatives is based on a synthetic cap.

Alternative C3 provides for liming the ash prior to placement of a synthetic cap. Compared to Alternative C1 (synthetic cap), this step will provide greater assurance that there will be no release of lead if there is an unnoticed or unrepaired breach of the plastic fabric. The treatability study indicated that even without lime, there would be no measurable release of iron or cadmium if the cap were breached.

The estimated costs for Alternative C3 are presented in Table 3-7. The costs provide for disking 6 in. of lime into the top of the ash. As justified by the treatability study presented in Appendix C, lime powder is the selected type of lime. The specifications for this lime are presented in Appendix E.

Comparison of Tables 3-5 and 3-7 indicates that the lime would add \$24,645 (including incremental contingencies, engineering, legal, and administrative costs), or 14%, to the cost of the synthetic cap alternative.

# Alternatives With a Soil Cap

These alternatives would eliminate erosion of ash and minimize, but not fully eliminate, rainwater percolation through an enlarged Main Fill. The Back and Far Fills would be eliminated as sources of metals to the groundwater by excavating that material and consoli-

TABLE 3-6

COST ESTIMATE FOR CLAY CAP (ALTERNATIVE C2)

| ITEM        | DESCRIPTION   | UNIT  | QUANTITY               | UNIT PRICE (\$)           | AMOUNT<br>(\$)            |
|-------------|---|---|------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Capital Cos | <u>ts</u>   |   |                        |                           |                           |
| 1           | Grade existing Main<br>Fill   | yd <sup>3</sup>                                       | 2,500                  | 2.00                      | 5,000                     |
| 2<br>3<br>4 | Haul, place Far Fill<br>Haul, place Back Fill<br>Furnish, place clay<br>liner | yd <sup>3</sup><br>yd <sup>3</sup><br>ft <sup>2</sup> | 600<br>1,100<br>44,000 | 1.90<br>5.15<br>10.00     | 1,140<br>5,665<br>440,000 |
| 5           | Borrow, place cover   | yd <sup>3</sup>                                       | 4,500                  | 5.25                      | 23,625                    |
| 6           | course Furnish, place topsoil (east slope)                                    | yd <sup>3</sup>                                       | 550                    | 20.00                     | 11,000                    |
| 7           | Furnish, place stone (west slope)   | yd <sup>3</sup>                                       | 300                    | 29.50                     | 8,850                     |
| 8           | Erosion control courses   | yd <sup>3</sup>                                       | 100                    | 40.50                     | 4,050                     |
| 9<br>10     | Mulching, seeding<br>Replace sewage<br>disposal system                        | ft <sup>2</sup><br>Lump sum                           | 32,000<br>1            | 0.18<br>4,000.00          | 5,760<br>4,000            |
| 11<br>12    | Site restoration Net scrap relocation cost                                    | Lump sum<br>Lump sum                                  | 1<br>1                 | 6,000.00<br>12,500.00     | 6,000<br>12,500           |
|             |   |   | Continge               | encies @ 20%              | 527,590<br>105,518        |
|             | E   | ng'g., leg  | al, administ           | rative @ 30%              | 633,108<br><u>189,932</u> |
|             |   |   |                        |                           | 823,040                   |
| Annual Cost | s (except monitoring)   |   |                        |                           |                           |
| 1<br>2<br>3 | Mowing<br>Inspection<br>Repair (every 5 yrs)                                  | Lump sum<br>Lump sum<br>Lump sum                      | 4<br>1<br>0.2          | 25.00<br>500.00<br>500.00 | 100<br>500<br><u>500</u>  |
|             |   |   |                        |                           | 700                       |

TABLE 3-7

COST ESTIMATE FOR SYNTHETIC CAP WITH LIME (ALTERNATIVE C3)

| ITEM        | DESCRIPTION                         | UNIT            | QUANTITY     | UNIT PRICE (\$) | AMOUNT<br>(\$)    |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Capital (   | Costs                               |                 |              |                 |                   |
| 1           | Grade existing Main<br>Fill         | yd <sup>3</sup> | 2,500        | 2.00            | 5,000             |
| 2           | Haul, place Far Fill                | yd <sup>3</sup> | 600          | 1.90            | 1,140             |
| 3           | Haul, place Back Fill               | yd3             | 1,100        | 5.15            | 5,665             |
| 4           | Purchase lime                       | Ton             | 600          | 7.50            | 4,500             |
| 5           | Deliver lime                        | Ton             | 600          | 12.33           | 7,398             |
| 6           | Spread lime                         | Ton             | 600          | 6.50            | 3,900             |
| 7           | Furnish, place synthetic membrane   |                 | 44,000       | 1.00            | 44,000            |
| 8           | Borrow, place cover course          | yd <sup>3</sup> | 1,200        | 6.50            | 7,800             |
| 9           | Furnish, place topsoil (east slope) | yd <sup>3</sup> | 550          | 20.00           | 11,000            |
| 10          | Furnish, place stone (west slope)   | yd <sup>3</sup> | 300          | 29.50           | 8,850             |
| 11          | Erosion control courses             | yd <sup>3</sup> | 75           | 40.50           | 3,037             |
| 12          | Mulching, seeding                   | ft <sup>2</sup> | 32,000       | 0.18            | 5,760             |
| 13          | Replace sewage<br>disposal system   | Lump sum        | 1            | 4,000.00        | 4,000             |
| 14          | Site restoration                    | Lump sum        | 1            | 6,000.00        | 6,000             |
| 15          | Net scrap relocation cost           | Lump sum        | 1            | 12,500.00       | 12,500            |
|             |                                     |                 | Continge     | ncies @ 20%     | 130,550<br>26,110 |
|             |                                     | Eng'g, Lega     | l, Administr | ative @ 30%     | 156,660<br>46,998 |
|             |                                     |                 |              |                 | 203,658           |
| Annual Co   | osts (except monitoring)            |                 |              |                 |                   |
| 1           | Mowing                              | Lump sum        | 4            | 25.00           | 100               |
| 1<br>2<br>3 | Inspection                          | Lump sum        | 1            | 500.00          | 500               |
| 3           | Repair (every 5 yrs)                | Lump sum        | 0.2          | 500.00          | 100<br>100        |
| -           | (575, 5 5, 5)                       | -amp ount       | 0.2          | 555.00          | 100               |
|             |                                     |                 |              |                 | 700               |

dating it with the Main Fill. With time, the groundwater in these areas would be cleaned to within groundwater standards by natural recharge.

The consolidated Main Fill would be stabilized with riprap and capped with 1.2 ft of common borrow, i.e., till obtained from the site. The thickness of this cap is 50% more than that for the previously discussed alternatives. (The top soil thickness is the same). This provision would eliminate erosion as a source of metals to the environment and reduce, but not eliminate, acid rain infiltration by an estimated 70%. As indicated by the treatability study, the remaining infiltration would mobilize some lead. The lead concentrations would be in the 5-100 ug/l range. The New York State effluent limit for the discharge of lead to groundwater is 50 ug/l. Assuming acid rain and erosion account equally for the present lead downgradient of the Main Fill, this alternative would reduce the lead release by approximately 85% (ignoring the incremental load from the consolidated ash from the Back and Far Fills).

The estimated cost for this Alternative (C4) is presented in Table 3-8. As with the other alternatives that provide a cap, these costs do not include restoration of the Back and Far Fill areas, and value of lost storage space on the Main and Back Fills. As cap integrity would not have to be addressed, the annual program specifies semiannual vegetative maintenance and biennial engineering inspection. No cap repair would be needed.

Alternative C5 (Table 3-9) is comparable to Alternative E1 except that 6 in. of lime would be disked into the top of the ash before the cap is placed. The lime is that described for Alternative C3 (synthetic cap and lime). The impact of the lime would be to eliminate the leaching of lead by infiltration during rain. Assuming

TABLE 3-8

COST ESTIMATE FOR SOIL CAP (ALTERNATIVE C4)

| ITEM           | DESCRIPTION  | UNIT                      | QUANTIT             | UNIT PRICE<br>Y (\$)  | AMOUNT<br>(\$)          |
|----------------|--|---------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| <u>Capital</u> | Costs  |                           |                     |                       |                         |
| 1              | Grade existing Main<br>Fill  | yd <sup>3</sup>           | 2500                | 2.00                  | 6,250                   |
| 2<br>3<br>4    | Haul, place Far Fill<br>Haul, place Back Fill<br>Borrow, place cover | yd3<br>yd3<br>yd3         | 600<br>1100<br>1800 | 1.90<br>5.15<br>5.25  | 1,140<br>5,665<br>9,450 |
| 5              | course Furnish, place topsoil (East slope)                           | yd <sup>3</sup>           | 550                 | 20.00                 | 11,000                  |
| 6              | Furnish, place stone<br>(West slope)                                 | yd <sup>3</sup>           | 300                 | 29.50                 | 8,850                   |
| 7              | Erosion control courses  | yd <sup>3</sup>           | 75                  | 40.50                 | 3,037                   |
| 8<br>9         | Mulching, seeding<br>Replace sewage<br>disposal system               | ft <sup>2</sup><br>Lump s | 32000<br>um 1       | 0.18<br>4,000.00      | 5,760<br>4,000          |
| 10<br>11       | Site restoration Net scrap relocation cost                           | Lump s                    |                     | 6,000.00<br>12,500.00 | 6,000<br>12,500         |
|                |  |                           | Cont                | ingencies @ 20%:      | 73,652<br>14,730        |
|                |  | Eng'g,                    | legal, admin        | istrative @ 30%:      | 88,382<br>26,515        |
|                |  |                           |                     |                       | 114,897                 |
| Annual C       | Costs (except monitoring)  |                           |                     |                       |                         |
| 1<br>2         | Mowing<br>Inspection   | Lump s                    |                     | 25.00<br>500.00       | 100<br>250              |
|                |  |                           |                     |                       | 350                     |

TABLE 3-9

COST ESTIMATE FOR SOIL CAP WITH LIME (ALTERNATIVE C5)

| ITEM                 | DESCRIPTION                          | UNIT            | QUANTITY     | UNIT PRICE (\$) | AMOUNT (\$)             |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| <u>Capital Costs</u> |                                      |                 |              |                 |                         |
| <b>✓</b> 1           | Grade existing Main<br>Fill          | yd3             | 2500         | 2.00            | 6,250                   |
| 2                    | Haul, place Far Fill                 | yd3             | 600          | 1.90            | 1,140                   |
| 3                    | Haul, place Back Fill                | yd3             | 1100         | 5.15            | 5,665                   |
| 4                    | Purchase lime                        | Ton             | 600          | 7.50            | 4,500                   |
|                      | Deliver lime                         | Ton             | 600          | 12.33           | 7,398                   |
| 5<br>6<br>7          | Spread lime                          | Ton             | 600          | 6.50            | 3,900                   |
| 7                    | Borrow, place cover course           | yd <sup>3</sup> | 1800         | 5.25            | 9,450                   |
| 8                    | Furnish, place topsoil (East slope)  | yd <sup>3</sup> | 550          | 20.00           | 11,000                  |
| 9                    | Furnish, place stone<br>(West slope) | yd <sup>3</sup> | 300          | 29.50           | 8,850                   |
| 10                   | Erosion control courses              | yd <sup>3</sup> | 75           | 40.50           | 3,037                   |
| 11                   | Mulching, seeding                    | ft <sup>2</sup> | 32000        | 0.18            | 5,760                   |
| 12                   | Replace sewage<br>disposal system    | Lump sum        | 1            | 4,000.00        | 4,000                   |
| 13                   | Site restoration                     | Lump sum        | 1            | 6,000.00        | 6,000                   |
| 14                   | Net scrap relocation cost            | Lump sum        | 1            | 12,500.00       | 12,500                  |
|                      |                                      |                 | Conting      | gencies @ 20%:  | 89,450<br><u>17,890</u> |
|                      |                                      | Eng'g, Le       | gal, Adminis | trative @ 30%:  | 107,340<br>32,202       |
|                      |                                      |                 |              |                 | 139,542                 |
| Annual Costs         | (except monitoring)                  |                 |              |                 |                         |
| 1                    | Mowing                               | Lump sum        | 4            | 25.00           | 100                     |
| 2                    | Inspection                           | Lump sum        | 0.5          | 500.00          | <u>250</u>              |
|                      |                                      |                 |              |                 | 350                     |

15 in./yr of infiltration, the lime would not be exhausted until after 500 years (see Appendix C - Treatability Study).

Regeneration of the lime after exhaustion could be accomplished by one of the following means:

- 1. Pump lime slurry with injection points through the surface of the cap to the top of the ash
- Excavate all or a portion of the cap, reline, recap, and resod.

Pumping should be more cost-effective.

The reduced infiltration, together with the use of lime, should result in leachate that meets the standards for discharge to groundwater (50 ug/l). Accordingly, the reduced load, when mixed with other waters, should result in the achievement of the lead groundwater standard at some future date.

# 3.5 IMPERVIOUS CAP AND GROUNDWATER REMEDIATION (ALTERNATIVE D)

The alternative provides for a synthetic cap and liming of the fill as described in Alternative C3. To speed the cleaning of the surficial aquifer, Alternative D also provides for groundwater recovery at the three fill sites. Recovery would be accomplished by the installation of sand-packed tile drains downgradient of each fill. The drains would discharge to a sump from which the recovered groundwater would be pumped to a covered holding basin. Water would then be removed to an off-site disposal facility by a tanker truck. Alternatively, an on-site treatment facility could be constructed that might be more cost-effective than off-site disposal. However, since it is unlikely that sufficient treatment could be provided to achieve effluent metals concentrations of less than one

part per billion to meet stream standards, on-site treatment was not evaluated.

The groundwater yields downgradient of each fill are estimated to be in the range of 2000-3000 gal/day. Based on these projections, a 30,000-gal covered storage basin would be required.

The estimated costs for this alternative are presented in Table 3-10. For the purposes of cost estimation, it is assumed that groundwater recovery would continue for 20 years.

### 3.6 SUMMARY

The costs for the alternatives are summarized in Table 3-11. Present worth and equivalent annual cost are calculated with a 10% interest rate. These costs to not include environmental monitoring described in Chapter 4.

TABLE 3-10 (Page 1 of 2)

COST ESTIMATE FOR SYNTHETIC CAP WITH LIME AND GROUNDWATER RECOVERY (ALTERNATIVE D)

| ITEM             | DESCRIPTION                               | UNIT            | QUANTITY             | UNIT PRICE (\$) | AMOUNT (\$) |
|------------------|---|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| <u>Capital</u>   | Costs                                     |                 |                      |                 |             |
| 1                | Grade existing Main Fill                  | yd3             | 2,500                | 2.00            | 5,000       |
| 2                | Haul, place Far Fill                      | yd3             | 600                  | 1.90            | 1,140       |
| 3                | Haul, place Back Fill                     | yd3             | 1,100                | 5.15            | 5,665       |
| 4                | Purchase lime                             | Ton             | 600                  | 7.50            | 4,500       |
| 4<br>5<br>6<br>7 | Deliver lime                              | Ton             | 600                  | 12.33           | 7,398       |
| 6                | Spread lime                               | Ton             | 600                  | 6.50            | 3,900       |
| 7                | Furnish, place synthetic membrane         | ft <sup>2</sup> | 44,000               | 1.00            | 44,000      |
| 8                | Borrow, place cover course                | yd <sup>3</sup> | 1200                 | 6.50            | 7,800       |
| 9                | Furnish, place topsoil (east slope)       | yd <sup>3</sup> | 550                  | 20.00           | 11,000      |
| 10               | Furnish, placé stone<br>(west slope)      | yd <sup>3</sup> | 300                  | 29.50           | 8,850       |
| 11               | Eròsion contról<br>courses                | yd <sup>3</sup> | 75                   | 40.50           | 3,038       |
| 12               | Mulching, seeding                         | ft <sup>2</sup> | 32,000               | 0.18            | 5,760       |
| 13               | Replace sewage disposal system            | Lump sum        | 1                    | 4,000.00        | 4,000       |
| 14               | Site restoration                          | Lump şum        | 1                    | 6,000.00        | 6,000       |
| 15               | Excavate drainage<br>trench               | yd <sup>3</sup> | 745                  | 3.18            | 2,369       |
| 16               | Install drainage pipe                     | ft              | 840                  | 5.09            | 4,276       |
| 17               | Gravel Back Fill                          | yd <sup>3</sup> | 1,182                | 3.41            | 4,031       |
| 18               | Trench shoring (Far<br>Back Fill)         | ft <sup>2</sup> | 6,000                | 7.60            | 45,600      |
| 19               | <pre>Manholes (incl. exc.,    etc.)</pre> | Each            | 3                    | 1780.80         | 5,342       |
| 20               | Dewatering                                | 8-hr<br>shift   | 6 shifts<br>(2 days) | 106.00          | 636         |
| 21               | Electrical trench<br>and cable            | ft              | 1,060                | 0.93            | 986         |
| 22               | Sump pump and instal-<br>lation           | Each            | 3                    | 192.00          | 576         |
| 23               | Discharge drain                           | ft              | 1,240                | 3.70            | 4,588       |

TABLE 3-10 (Page 2 of 2)

COST ESTIMATE FOR SYNTHETIC CAP WITH LIME AND GROUNDWATER RECOVERY (ALTERNATIVE D)

| ITEM             | DESCRIPTION   | UNIT                               | QUANTITY                     | UNIT PRICE<br>(\$)              | AMOUNT (\$)                        |
|------------------|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 24               | 30,000-gal holding<br>tank                                | Each                               | 1                            | 34,980.00                       | 34,980                             |
| 25               | Move earth to<br>insulate tank                            | yd3                                | 745                          | 1.81                            | 1,348                              |
| 26               | Net scrap relocation cost                                 | Lump sum                           | 1                            | 12,500.00                       | 12,500                             |
|                  |   |                                    | Conting                      | encies @ 20%:                   | 235,283<br>47,057                  |
|                  |   | Eng'g, leg                         | al, administ                 | rative @ 30%:                   | 282,340<br><u>84,702</u>           |
| TOTAL            |   |                                    |                              |                                 | 367,042                            |
| ANNUAL           | COSTS (except monitoring)                                 |                                    |                              |                                 |                                    |
| 1<br>2<br>3<br>4 | Mowing<br>Inspection<br>Water trucking<br>Water treatment | Lump sum<br>Lump sum<br>Gal<br>Gal | 4<br>1<br>900,000<br>900,000 | 25.00<br>500.00<br>0.50<br>1.50 | 100<br>500<br>450,000<br>1,350,000 |
| TOTAL A          | NNUAL COSTS   |                                    |                              |                                 | 1,800,600                          |

TABLE 3-11

<u>SUMMARY OF ALTERNATIVES</u>

| AL | TERNATIVE  | CAPITAL<br>COST<br>(\$) | ANNUAL<br>COST<br>(\$/yr) | PRESENT<br>WORTH<br>(\$) | EQA<br>(\$/yr) |
|----|--|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| Α  | No action  | 0                       | 0                         | 0                        | 0              |
| В  | Off-site disposal                                | 3,670,195               | 0                         | 3,670,195                | 374,727        |
| С  | Cap  |                         |                           |                          |                |
|    | C1 Synthetic cap                                 | 179,013                 | 700                       | 185,612                  | 19,690         |
|    | C2 Clay cap                                      | 823,040                 | 700                       | 829,639                  | 88,008         |
|    | C3 Synthetic cap and lime                        | 203,658                 | 700                       | 210,257                  | 22,304         |
|    | C4 Soil cap                                      | 114,897                 | 350                       | 118,196                  | 12,539         |
|    | C5 Soil cap with lime                            | 139,542                 | 350                       | 142,841                  | 15,152         |
| D  | Synthetic cap with lime and groundwater recovery | 367,042                 | 1,800,600 <sup>a</sup>    | 17,010,934               | 1,804,520      |
| E  | Soil cap   |                         |                           |                          |                |

EQA - Equivalent annual cost.

Cost estimates are based on prices that prevailed on 1 January 1988 (Engineering News-Record Index 20 Cities Average of 4,457).

Present worth and EQA based on 10% interest and 30-year time period.

Costs do not include environmental monitoring (Chapter 4).

 $^{\rm a}$ 20 years for groundwater recovery.

### CHAPTER 4

## **ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING**

### 4.1 FAR FILL GROUNDWATER

The three monitoring wells should be sampled for conductivity and pH once during each of years 1, 3 and 5 after completion of the selected remedial alternative. Additionally, during the last sampling, there should be testing for the metals of concern identified during the remedial investigation:

Lead Selenium Aluminium Iron Manganese

Total metals (unfiltered) should be tested.

### 4.2 BACK FILL GROUNDWATER

The three monitoring wells should be sampled for conductivity and pH once during each of years 1, 3 and 5 after completion of the selected remedial alternative. Additionally, during the last sampling, there should be testing for the metals of concern identified during the remedial investigation:

Cadmium Lead Zinc Aluminium Iron Manganese

Total metals (unfiltered) should be tested.

### 4.3 MAIN FILL GROUNDWATER

The five monitoring wells should be sampled for 25 years for conductivity, pH, and any metals of concern identified for this or the other two fills:

Cadmium Lead Zinc Aluminium Iron Manganese

Total metals should be tested. The frequency of sampling should be once during each of years 1, 3 and 5 after completion of the selected remedial alternative, and then once every five years, thereafter.

### 4.4 ESTIMATED COSTS

Estimated costs for sampling and analyses during years 1 and 3 (consisting of pH and conductivity at all monitoring wells and cadmium, lead, zinc, aluminum, iron, and manganese at the Main Fill monitoring wells) are:

| Sampling, management, and report<br>Supplies, expenses<br>Analytical costs | \$2,900<br>300<br>100   |
|--|-------------------------|
| Contingencies @ 20%  | \$3,300<br>             |
| Legal, engineering @ 30%   | \$4,000<br><u>1,200</u> |
| Total  | \$5,200                 |

The estimated cost for sampling and analysis during year 5 (consisting of the annual program plus a final analysis for lead, sele-

nium, aluminum, iron, and manganese at the Far Fill monitoring wells and analysis of cadmium, lead, zinc, aluminum, iron, and manganese at the Back Fill monitoring wells) would cost:

| Sampling, management, and report<br>Supplies, expenses<br>Analytical costs | \$3,000<br>300<br>300 |
|--|-----------------------|
| Contingencies @ 20%  | \$3,600<br>700        |
| Legal, engineering @ 30%   | \$4,300<br>_1,300     |
| Total  | \$5,600               |

This estimate is based on costs that prevailed on 1 January 1988. After the initial five year monitoring program, sampling would be conducted only at the Main Fill monitoring wells. The estimated costs are:

| Sampling, management, and report<br>Supplies, expenses<br>Analytical costs | \$2,700<br>300<br>100 |
|--|-----------------------|
| Contingencies @ 20%  | \$3,100<br>600        |
| Legal, engineering @ 30%   | \$3,700<br>1,100      |
| Tota1  | \$4,800               |

# 4.5 SUMMARY

Table 4-1 summarizes the environmental monitoring.

TABLE 4-1

ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING

|      | ACTIVI                   | ТҮ                       | ESTIMATED<br>ANNUAL |
|------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| YEAR | FAR AND BACK FILLS       | MAIN FILL                | COST (\$)a          |
| 1    | pH and conductivity      | pH, conductivity, metals | 5,200               |
| 3    | pH and conductivity      | pH, conductivity, metals | 5,200               |
| 5    | pH, conductivity, metals | pH, conductivity, metals | 5,600               |
| 10   |                          | pH, conductivity, metals | 4,800               |
| 15   |                          | pH, conductivity, metals | 4,800               |
| 20   |                          | pH, conductivity, metals | 4,800               |
| 25   |                          | pH, conductivity, metals | 4,800               |
|      | Total cost               |                          | 35,200              |

aCost estimates are based on prices as of 1 January 1988.

# APPENDIX A <u>SUMMARY TABLES FROM PRIOR LMS REPORTS</u>

TABLE A-1

# SUMMARY OF RESULTS FOR GROUNDWATER SAMPLES

November 1986

|                                  |              |              |           |                                    | ONCENTR                 | CONCENTRATION (ug/1 | (1/br                      |                |              |                |                         |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| STANDARD OR LOCATION             | NOIL         | As           | Ba        | 23                                 | Cra                     | Pb                  | Нд                         | N.             | Zn           | pH<br>S.U.     | Conductivity (umhos/cm) |
| GROUNDWATER STANDARD             | ARD          | 25           | 1000      | 10                                 | NS                      | 25                  | 2                          | 2000p          | 2000         | 6.5-8.5        | NS                      |
| MAIN (NORTH) FILL<br>Upgradient: | MW1<br>MW2   | LT 5<br>LT 5 | 80<br>130 | LT 5                               | LT 25<br>LT 25          | LT 5                | LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2           | LT 25<br>LT 25 | 130<br>50    | 5.0            | 70<br>260               |
| Downgradient:                    | MW3<br>MW4   | 7 L L        | 130       | —<br>—<br>—                        | LT 25<br>LT 25<br>17 25 | L L L               | LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2 | 62<br>31<br>31 | 30 80        | დ დ დ<br>4 დ C | 1020<br>700<br>350      |
| BACK (SOUTH) FILL<br>Upgradient: | _            | LT 5         | 400       |                                    |                         |                     |                            | LT 25          | 20           | N TN           | D LN                    |
| Downgradient:                    | MW6<br>MW7   | LT<br>LT 5   | 009       | 18 <sup>C</sup><br>31 <sup>C</sup> | LT 25<br>LT 25          | 73c<br>6            | LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2           | 62<br>178      | 3200<br>4900 | 4.9            | 210<br>410              |
| FAK (EASI) FILL<br>Upgradient:   | 6MM          | LT 5         | 100       | LT 5                               | LT 25                   | LT 5                | LT 0.2                     | LT 25          | 10           | 6.4            | 20                      |
| Downgradient:                    | MW10<br>MW11 | LT<br>5      | 50<br>180 | LT 5                               | LT 25<br>LT 25          | LT 5                | LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2           | LT 25<br>LT 25 | 25           | 7.2            | 90                      |
| SUPPLY WELL PW1                  |              | LT 5         | 180       | LT 5                               | LT 25                   | LT 5                | LT 0.2                     | LT 25          | 30           | TN             | TN                      |

NOTE: All analyses conducted on filtered samples.

LT - less than. NT - not tested. NS - no standard.

<sup>a</sup>There is no groundwater standard for total chromium. The standard for hexavalent chromium is 50 ug/l. bNo standard; tabulated value is NYCRR Part 703 limit for discharge to groundwater. <sup>C</sup>Exceeds standard.

TABLE A-2

COMPARISON OF RESULTS FOR FILTERED AND UNFILTERED GROUNDWATER SAMPLES

November 1986

|   |                    |                  |                                    | CONCENTR             | ATION (                          | ug/1)                      |                |                  |
|---|--------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| STANDARD OR LOCATION                                  | As                 | Ba               | Cd                                 | Crā                  | Pb                               | Hg                         | Ni             | Zn               |
| GROUNDWATER STANDARD                                  | 25                 | 1000             | 10                                 | NS                   | 25                               | 2                          | 2000b          | 5000             |
| MAIN (NORTH) FILL                                     |                    |                  |                                    |                      |                                  |                            |                |                  |
| Downgradient<br>MW4 - dissolved<br>- total (CAMO)     | LT 5<br>LT 5       | 200<br>390       | 8<br>10                            | LT 25<br>83          | LT 5<br>21                       | LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2           | 31<br>91       | 30<br>110        |
| MW5 - dissolved<br>- total (CAMO)<br>- total (Versar) | LT 5<br>LT 5<br>20 | 200<br>300<br>NA | LT 5<br>5<br>LT 10                 | LT 25<br>LT 25<br>16 | LT 5<br>10<br>LT 50 <sup>C</sup> | LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2 | 31<br>46<br>28 | 90<br>160<br>145 |
| BACK (SOUTH) FILL                                     |                    |                  |                                    |                      |                                  |                            |                |                  |
| Downgradient<br>MW6 – dissolved<br>– total (CAMO)     | LT 5<br>LT 5       | 520<br>600       | 18 <sup>d</sup><br>20 <sup>d</sup> | LT 25<br>30          | 73d<br>380d                      | LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2           | 62<br>91       | 3200<br>2150     |
| MW7 - dissolved<br>- total (Versar)                   | LT 5<br>16         | 600<br>NA        | 31 <sup>d</sup><br>24 <sup>d</sup> | LT 25<br>20          | 6<br>72d                         | LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2           | 178<br>180     | 4900<br>4910     |
| FAR (EAST) FILL                                       |                    |                  |                                    |                      |                                  |                            |                |                  |
| Upgradient<br>MW9 – dissolved<br>– total (Versar)     | LT 5<br>LT 10      | 100<br>NA        | LT 5<br>LT 10                      | LT 25<br>5.3         | LT 5<br>52d                      | LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2           | LT 25<br>LT 15 | 10<br>28         |
| Downgradient MW11 - dissolved - total (CAMO)          | LT 5<br>LT 5       | 180<br>520       | LT 5<br>LT 5                       | LT 25<br>95d         | LT 5<br>14                       | LT 0.2<br>0.3              | LT25<br>110    | 33<br>170        |

NOTE: All analyses by CAMO unless otherwise noted as Versar, the NYSDEC contract laboratory.

LT - Less than.

NA - Not analyzed.

NS - No standard.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>There is no groundwater standard for total chromium. The standard for hexavalent chromium is 50 ug/l.

bNo standard; tabulated value is NYCRR Part 703 limit for discharge to ground-water.

CSuspected reporting error in detection limit.

dExceeds standard.

TABLE A-3 SUMMARY OF NYSDEC RESULTS FOR ADDITIONAL PARAMETERS

November 1986

|  |      | CO   | NCENTR | ATION (ug | /1)  |        |
|--|------|------|--------|-----------|------|--------|
| STANDARD OR LOCATION                   | Ве   | Cu   | Ag     | Sb        | Se   | Tl     |
| GROUNDWATER STANDARD                   | 3    | 1000 | 50     | 3         | 20   | 4      |
| MAIN (NORTH) FILL<br>Downgradient: MW5 | LT 2 | 25   | LT 3   | LT 10ª    | 42b  | LT 10ª |
| BACK (SOUTH) FILL Downgradient: MW7    | 5.2b | 126  | LT 3   | LT 10ª    | LT 5 | LT 10ª |
| FAR (EAST) FILL Upgradient: MW9        | LT 2 | 5.6  | LT 3   | LT 10ª    | LT 5 | LT 10ª |

NOTE: All analyses conducted on unfiltered samples by Versar, the  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{NYSDEC}}$  contract laboratory.

LT - Less than.

 $^{\mbox{\scriptsize a}\mbox{\scriptsize Detection limit greater}}$  than standard.  $^{\mbox{\scriptsize b}\mbox{\scriptsize Exceeds}}$  standard.

TABLE A-4

SUMMARY OF RESULTS FOR SURFACE WATER SAMPLES

November 1986

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|--|------------|--|-------------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| Standard Sample (T) 4,600 80 LT 5 LT 25 LT 0.2 25 180 360 Sample (T) 4,600 80 LT 5 LT 25 LT 0.2 45 LT 25 LT 5 LT 5 LT 5 LT 5 LT 5 LT 25 LT 0.2 37 260 360 Sample (T) 7,500 80 LT 5 LT 25 LT 0.2 45 LT 25 LT 5 LT 5 LT 5 LT Sample (T) 7,500 80 LT 5 LT 25 LT 0.2 40 LT 25 LT 5 LT 5 LT 5 LT 5 LT 5 Sample (T) 14,100 80 LT 5 LT 25 LT 0.2 63 420 360 Sample (F) - 80 LT 5 LT 25 LT 25 LT 25 LT 25 LT 25 Sample (F) - 80 LT 5 LT 25 Sample (F) - 80 LT 5 LT 25 LT 25 LT 25 LT 25 LT 25 LT 25 Sample (T) Standard Sample (T) Standard Sample (T) Standard Standar |            | LOCATION   | HARDNESSa         | Ba             | р            | H                     | 된                   | Zu              | Z                     | As                  | Pb            |
| Inlet to pond Standard Standard NS LT 1 210 0.2 37 260 360 LT 5 LT 25 LT 0.2 45 LT 25 LT 5 LT 5 LT 5 LT 25 LT 5 LT 5 L   | <b>S</b> 1 | Start of flow<br>Standard<br>Sample (T)            | NS<br>4,600       | NS<br>80       |              | 140<br>LT 25          | 0.2<br>LT 0.2       | 25<br>45        | 180<br>LT 25          | 360<br>LT 5         | 2<br>LT 5     |
| Pond outlet Standard Sample (T) 7,500 80 LT 5 LT 25 LT 0.2 37 260 360 Sample (T) 7,500 80 LT 5 LT 25 LT 0.2 63 420 360 Standard Sample (T) 14,100 80 LT 5 LT 25 LT 25 LT 5 Sample (F) - 80 LT 5 LT 25 LT 25 LT 5 Sample (F)  | <b>S2</b>  | Inlet to pond<br>Standard<br>Sample (T)            | NS<br>7,500       | NS<br>80       | LT 1<br>LT 5 | 210<br>LT 25          |                     | 37              | 260<br>LT 25          | 360<br>LT 5         | 3<br>LT 5     |
| Below fill Standard Standard Standard Sample (T) Sample (F) -  NS LT 1 14,100 R0 LT 5 LT 25 LT 0.2 160 LT 25 | 83         | Pond outlet<br>Standard<br>Sample (T)              | NS<br>7,500       | 80<br>80<br>80 | LT 1<br>LT 5 | 210<br>LT 25          |                     | 37              | 260<br>LT 25          | 360<br>LT 5         | 3<br>LT 5     |
| Mouth<br>Standard NS NS LT 1 630 0.2 120 720 360<br>Sample (T) 29,100 100 LT 5 LT 25 LT 0.2 48 LT 25 LT 5  | <b>S4</b>  | Below fill<br>Standard<br>Sample (T)<br>Sample (F) | NS<br>14,100<br>- | NS<br>80<br>80 |              | 350<br>LT 25<br>LT 25 |                     | 63<br>160<br>55 | 420<br>LT 25<br>LT 25 | 360<br>LT 5<br>LT 5 | 7<br>16<br>14 |
|  | S5         | Mouth<br>Standard<br>Sample (T)                    | NS<br>29,100      | NS<br>100      | LT 1<br>LT 5 | 630<br>LT 25          |                     | 120             | 720<br>LT 25          | 360<br>LT 5         | 17 21         |

NS - No standard. LT - Less than. T - Total metals. F - Filtered (dissolved) metals.

aHardness is from July 1987 sampling.

TABLE A-5

<u>SUMMARY OF RESULTS FOR SEEPS</u>

November 1986

|   |                              |                         | (                        | CONCENTRA                        | ATION (L              | ıg/1)                                |                         | ····                        |
|---|------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| STANDARD OR LOCATION                              | As                           | Ba                      | Cd                       | Cr                               | Pb                    | Hg                                   | Ni                      | Zn                          |
| STANDARD  | No /                         | Applica                 | able Sta                 | andards                          |                       |                                      |                         |                             |
| MAIN (NORTH) FILL MF1 (T) MF1 (F) MF2 (T) MF3 (T) | LT 5<br>LT 5<br>LT 5<br>LT 5 | 400<br>350<br>80<br>100 | 18<br>17<br>LT 5<br>LT 5 | LT 25<br>LT 25<br>LT 25<br>LT 25 | 70<br>33<br>29<br>235 | LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2 | 53<br>50<br>34<br>LT 25 | 1500<br>1550<br>1050<br>235 |
| FAR (EAST) FILL<br>FF1 (T)                        | LT 5                         | 50                      | LT 5                     | LT 25                            | LT 5                  | LT 0.2                               | LT 25                   | 50                          |
| BACK (SOUTH) FILL BF1 BF2 BF3                     | LT 5<br>LT 5<br>LT 5         | 530<br>180<br>80        | 16<br>29<br>LT 5         | LT 25<br>LT 25<br>LT 25          | 30<br>15<br>5         | LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2<br>LT 0.2           | 97<br>161<br>LT 25      | 7200<br>5800<br>118         |

LT - Less than.

TABLE A-6

SUMMARY OF RESULTS FOR GROUNDWATER SAMPLES

July 1987

| STANDARD OR      |      | ~ .  | CONCEN | TRATION (         | ug/1)_ |      |                  | рН      | CONDUCTIVITY | TURBIDITY |
|------------------|------|------|--------|-------------------|--------|------|------------------|---------|--------------|-----------|
| LOCATION         |      | (Ca) | Cr     | (Pb)              | (Zn)   | Ве   | Sea              | (S.U.)  | (umhos/cm)   | (NTU)     |
| GROUNDWATER STAN | DARD | 10   | 50     | 25                | 5000   | NS   | 20               | 6.5-8.5 | NS           | NS        |
| MAIN FILL        |      |      |        |                   |        |      |                  |         |              |           |
| Upradient:       | MW1  | LT 5 | LT 30  | LT 5              | NA     | LT 1 | LT 5             | 5.8     | 74           | 85        |
|                  | MW2  | LT 5 | LT 30  | LT 5              | NA     | LT 1 | 195 <sup>b</sup> | 6.7     | 454          | 140       |
| Downgradient:    | MW3  | 9    | LT 30  | LT 5              | NA     | LT 1 | 8                | 5.4     | 1165         | 86        |
|                  | MW4  | LT 5 | LT 30  | LT 5              | 90     | LT 1 | 11.              | 6.0     | 1195         | 120       |
|                  | MW5  | LT 5 | LT 30  | LT 5              | NA     | 1    |                  | 6.0     | 643          | 49        |
| BACK FILL        |      |      |        |                   |        |      |                  |         |              |           |
| Upgradient:      | MW8  | LT 5 | LT 30  | LT 5              | 20     | LT 1 | LT 5             | 7.2     | 572          | 35        |
| Downgradient:    | MW6  | 13b  | 30     | 53b               | 2390   |      | 10               | 4.6     | 385          | 90        |
|                  | MW7  | 54b  | LT 30  | 29 <sup>b</sup> / | 10300b | 10   | 8                | 4.3     | 1063         | 28        |
| FAR FILL         |      |      |        |                   |        |      |                  |         |              |           |
| Upgradient:      | MW9  | LT 5 | LT 30  | 5                 | NA     | LT 1 | LT 5             | 6.5     | 77           | 62        |
| Downgradient:    | MW10 | LT 5 | LT 30  | LT 5              | NA     | LT 1 | 645 <sup>b</sup> | 6.2     | 251          | 225       |
| -                | MW11 | LT 5 | LT 30  | 5                 | NA     | LT 1 | 415b             | 6.7     | 340          | 260       |
| SUPPLY WELL      | PW1  | LT 5 | LT 30  | LT 5              | NA     | LT 1 | LT 5             | 7.1     | 198          | 4         |

NOTE: All analyses conducted on filtered samples.

LT - Less than.

NA - Not tested.

NS - No standard.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Suspect results; see discussion on selenium.

bExceeds standard.

TABLE A-7 COMPARISON OF RESULTS FOR FILTERED AND UNFILTERED GROUNDWATER SAMPLES

July 1987

|   |                                    | C                    | ONCENTRAT                          | ION (ug/                                 | 1)             | ····                                      |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|--|----------------|---|
| STANDARD OR LOCATION  | Cd                                 | Cra                  | Pb                                 | Zn                                       | Ве             | Seb                                       |
| GROUNDWATER STANDARD  | 10                                 | NS                   | 25                                 | 5000                                     | NS             | 20  |
| MAIN (NORTH) FILL   |                                    |                      |                                    |  |                |   |
| Downgradient:<br>MW4 - dissolved<br>- total (CAMO)                | LT 5<br>LT 5                       | LT 30<br>LT 30       | LT 5<br>26 <sup>c</sup>            | 90<br>90                                 | LT 1<br>1      | 11<br>5                                   |
| MW5 - dissolved<br>- total (Versar)                               | LT 5<br>5                          | LT 30<br>11          | LT 5<br>16                         | NT<br>95                                 | 1              | 58c<br>50c                                |
| BACK (SOUTH) FILL   |                                    |                      |                                    |  |                |   |
| Upgradient:<br>MW8 - dissolved<br>- total (CAMO)                  | LT 5<br>LT 5                       | LT 30<br>LT 30       | LT 5<br>16                         | 20<br>20                                 | LT 1<br>LT 1   | LT 5<br>LT 5                              |
| Downgradient:<br>MW6 - dissolved<br>- total (Versar)              | 13 <sup>a</sup><br>16 <sup>a</sup> | 30<br>43             | 53c<br>202c                        | 2390<br>2780                             | 6<br>6         | 10<br>LT 5                                |
| MW7 - dissolved<br>- total (CAMO)<br>FAR (EAST) FILL              | 54 <sup>C</sup><br>58 <sup>C</sup> | LT 30<br>LT 30       | 29 <sup>C</sup><br>37 <sup>C</sup> | 10300 <sup>C</sup><br>10500 <sup>C</sup> | 10<br>20       | 8<br>LT <b>5</b>                          |
| Downgradient:  MW11 - dissolved  - total (CAMO)  - total (Versar) |                                    | LT 30<br>LT 30<br>48 | 5<br>20<br>25                      | NT<br>NT<br>151                          | LT 1<br>1<br>2 | 415 <sup>C</sup><br>645 <sup>C</sup><br>6 |

NOTE: All analyses by CAMO unless otherwise noted as Versar, the NYSDEC contract laboratory.

LT - Less than. NA - Not analyzed.

aThere is no groundwater standard for total chromium. The standard for hexavalent chromium is 50 ug/1.
bSuspect results; see discussion on selenium.

CExceeds standard.

TABLE A-8 SUMMARY OF NYSDEC RESULTS FOR ADDITIONAL PARAMETERS July 1987

|               |          | LOCATIO           | ON (ALL DOWNG      | RADIENT)           |
|---------------|----------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| CONCENTRATION |          | MW5               | MW6                | MW11               |
| (ug/1)        | STANDARD | MAIN FILL         | BACK FILL          | FAR FILL           |
|               | _        |                   |                    |                    |
| A1            | 2000a    | 6240 <sup>b</sup> | 24000 <sup>b</sup> | 25000 <sup>b</sup> |
| Sb            | NS       | 32                | 62                 | 72                 |
| As            | 25       | LT 10             | 14                 | LT 10              |
| Ba            | 1000     | 138               | 430                | 330                |
| Ca            | NS       | 28000             | 21000              | 6090               |
| Со            | NS       | 13                | 56                 | 25                 |
| Cu            | 1000     | 38                | 181                | 54                 |
| Fe            | 300      | 11000b            | 33000p             | 46000b             |
| Hg            | 2        | LT 0.2            | LT 0.2             | LT 0.2             |
| Mn            | 300      | 2800b             | 17020b             | 1801 <sup>b</sup>  |
| Mg            | NS       | 17000             | 18000              | 18000              |
| Ni            | 2000a    | 22                | 107                | 49                 |
| K             | NS       | 17000             | 5940               | 37000              |
| Ag            | 50       | 6                 | 6                  | 6                  |
| Na            | NS       | 29000             | 16000              | 19000              |
| TI            | NS       | LT 10             | LT 10              | LT 10              |
| V             | NS       | 6                 | 21                 | 18                 |
| •             | .,,      | · ·               | 21                 | 10                 |

NOTE: All analyses conducted on unfiltered samples by Versar, the  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{NYSDEC}}$  contract latoratory.

NS - No standard.

<sup>a</sup>No standard; tabulated value is NYCRR Part 703 limit for discharge to groundwater. bExceeds standard.

TABLE A-9 SUMMARY OF RESULTS FOR SURFACE WATER SAMPLES July 1987

| LOCATI        | ON                |                    |             | ENTRATIO     |              | <u> </u>    |
|---------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| LUCATI        | UN                |                    | HARDNESS    | Cd           | Pb           | Zn          |
| <u>Beaver</u> | Smelting Stream   |                    |             |              |              |             |
| S-1           | Start of flow:    | Sample<br>Standard | 4600<br>NS  | 6<br>LT 1    | 18<br>2      | 30<br>25    |
| S-2           | Inlet to pond:    | Sample<br>Standard | 7500<br>NS  | LT 5<br>LT 1 | 9<br>3       | 30<br>37    |
| S-3           | Pond outlet:      | Sample<br>Standard | 7500<br>NS  | LT 5<br>LT 1 | 15<br>3      | 30<br>37    |
| S-4           | Below fill:       | Sample<br>Standard | 14100<br>NS | 7<br>LT 1    | 126<br>7     | 70<br>63    |
| S-8           | Halfway to mouth: | Sample<br>Standard | 25700<br>NS | LT 5<br>LT 1 | 115<br>15    | 120<br>104  |
| S-5           | Mouth:            | Sample<br>Standard | 29100<br>NS | LT 5<br>LT 1 | 58<br>17     | 90<br>120   |
| Nevers        | <u>ink River</u>  |                    |             |              |              |             |
| S-6           | Upstream:         | Sample<br>Standard | 9600<br>NS  | LT 5<br>LT 1 | LT 5<br>LT 1 | LT 10<br>30 |
| S-7           | Downstream:       | Sample<br>Standard | 7500<br>NS  | LT 5<br>LT 1 | LT 5<br>LT 1 | LT 10<br>30 |

NS - No standard. LT - Less than.

