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June 29, 2012

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Re: TechCity Site (Former IBM Kingston)

Site Number: 356002

Supplemental Site Characterization Report: Former Fluoride Ejector Tank (SWMU Y)

Dear Mr. Heitzman:

The purpose of this letter is to transmit the referenced Site Characterization Report pursuant to Exhibit C of the Order on Consent, Index # D3-10023-6-11, Paragraph III.D.1.

After reviewing the information provided in this transmittal, should you have any questions please call Dean Chartrand at (703) 257-2583.

Sincerely yours,

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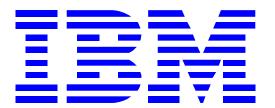
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Former IBM Kingston Facility (TechCity)

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Former Fluoride Wastewater Ejector Tank (SWMU Y)

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TechCity Site (Former IBM Kingston Facility Site Number: 356002 Supplemental Site Characterization: SWMU Y - Former Fluoride Wastewater Ejector Tank

Introduction

The TechCity Site (Former IBM Kingston Facility) (the Site), is located north of the City of Kingston in the Town of Ulster, Ulster County, New York and is bounded by John M. Clarke Drive and Route 9W to the east, Old Neighborhood Road and Route 209 to the north, Esopus Creek to the west, and Boices Lane to the south (see Figure 1).

The Site has historically been listed as a Class 4 Site (Site # 356002) in the Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Sites in New York State and was managed in compliance with the October 4, 1996 Hazardous Waste Management Permit #3-5154-00067/00090 (6 NYCRR Part 373) (RCRA Permit) until the Order on Consent (Order), Index # D3-10023-6-11, between IBM Corporation (IBM) and TechCity Properties, Inc (TechCity), and New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC was signed on July 8, 2011. The Order divides the Site into ten Operable Units (OUs). The locations of the OUs are depicted in Figure 2.

Prior to the execution of the Order, IBM completed extensive RCRA Facility Assessments (RFAs) and RCRA Facility Investigations (RFIs) of Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs) beginning in the early 1990s to delineate the occurrence and extent of contaminants in groundwater and soils beneath the Site.

The purpose of this report is to provide information relating to SWMU Y, the Former Fluoride Wastewater Ejector Tank, in response to NYSDEC's request for further evaluation of SWMU Y as described in Exhibit C of the Order for OU3. This Supplemental Site Characterization report summarizes the previous RFI results, information gathered during recent drawing and records review, and field observations made during a site visit with the NYSDEC on October 5, 2011.

BACKGROUND AND REGULATORY HISTORY

IBM first identified this SWMU on April 24, 1995 during a review of the underground storage tanks at the Site. The identification of this SWMU was also briefly discussed in a meeting held with NYSDEC on May 2, 1995. Formal notice was provided in a letter report to the NYSDEC on May 9, 1995¹. The unit was designated as SWMU Y, Former Fluoride Wastewater Ejector Tank, under the former RCRA Permit.

The Former Fluoride Wastewater Ejector Tank was an underground wastewater holding tank located in an unpaved area between Building 042 (B042) and Building 005S (B005S) which received industrial wastewater from B042 via gravity flow. Wastewater accumulated in the tank and was periodically pumped into the industrial waste sewer system in B005S using an in-tank pump and automatic controls. The tank discharge line transitioned from a buried line to an above ground line immediately inside the B005S east wall. The line ultimately tied into the industrial wastewater line

¹Letter from Ms. Bonnie MacBrien (IBM) to Mr. Steve Kaminski (NYSDEC) *Recently Identified Solid Waste Management Unit*, May 9, 1995.

but the exact location of the connection is unknown. Note that B005S was demolished in 2010 and only the building floor slab and a few steel columns remain.

The tank was constructed of fiberglass with an approximate diameter of 10 feet and an approximate length of 12 feet. It was attached to a concrete slab with straps and the top of this tank was located a few feet below the ground surface. This was a direct burial UST.

This tank was installed around 1979 and was used to support the integrated chip facility located in B042. This integrated chip facility process was removed from B042 around 1981. The tank was presumably inactive after that period. In July 1994, this tank was closed in place by filling the tank with gravel.

As shown on Figure 3, the center line of this north-south oriented tank was located approximately 45 feet to the east of the former B005S with the northern end even with Building Column AM-13B and approximately 100 feet southeast of the northeast corner of former B005S.

PREVIOUS INVESTIGATIONS

In IBM's May 9, 1995 notification letter to NYSDEC, IBM proposed to conduct a RCRA RFA of the unit with regard to groundwater quality downgradient of the Former Fluoride Wastewater Ejector Tank. This investigation was conducted under the site's RCRA Permit. The results of these assessments were reported to the NYSDEC in the report entitled *RCRA Facility Assessments*, *Newly Identified Solid Waste Management Units*², dated March 14, 1997.

One boring, MW-320S, completed as a fully penetrating monitoring well, was drilled to assess this location. Drilling of this well began and construction of the monitoring well was completed on July 18, 1996. A copy of the boring log and construction details is attached. The location of this well was selected in a downgradient position.

As shown on Figure 4, an excerpt of the Shallow Sand Aquifer, Groundwater Elevation Contour Map from October 4, 1996 concurrent with the original investigation of this unit, groundwater beneath this unit flows in a northwesterly direction.

As noted in the attached boring log nearly ten feet of fill was encountered, indicating the well was drilled adjacent to the backfilled location of the closed-in-place tank. Below ten feet, the shallow sand unit was present with a few thin silt and clay layers. MW-320S has a total depth of 13 feet, which coincides with the top of the varved silt and clay unit. The screened interval at MW-320S is 3 feet to 13 feet below ground surface.

On October 4, 1996 the depth to water in well MW-320S was approximately 5.5 feet below ground surface resulting in a groundwater surface elevation of 173.76 feet amsl and a saturated thickness of the shallow sand unit of 7.8 feet in the area of the Former Fluoride Wastewater Ejector Tank.

² Groundwater Sciences Corporation, *IBM Kingston, RCRA Facility Assessments, Newly Identified Solid Waste Management Units*, March 14, 1997.

In accordance with the approved Scope of Work for this unit, no soil samples were collected at this location for laboratory analysis. Soil screening of split-spoon samples and jar headspace measurements did not indicate elevated responses at any depth interval in this boring. Following development, three rounds of groundwater samples, plus one replicate sample were collected for fluoride analysis. The initial sample was also analyzed for Method 8010 volatile organic compounds (VOC), Freon[®]113 and Freon[®]123a to support the concurrent RCRA RFI on groundwater plumes and sources³.

Fluoride was not detected in any of the samples at concentrations above the detection limit of 0.2 mg/L. Table 1 is a summary of sampling results from the monitoring well, MW-320S collected under the RFI and RFA.

Table 1. Summary of RFA and RFI Sampling Results									
SWMU Y, Former Fluoride Wastewater Ejector Tank (Monitoring Well MW-320S)									
Date Sampled Lab Number 8010 VOCs Fluoride									
MW-320S	07/23/1996	163423-03	All ND@1 ug/L	ND@0.2 mg/L					
	08/08/1996	Not Sampled	ND@0.2 mg/L						
	08/27/1996	164770-19	Not Sampled	ND@0.2 mg/L					
	08/27/1996, replicate	164770-20	Not Sampled	ND@0.2 mg/L					

In the RFA report, IBM recommended that no further assessment or investigation be conducted.

DRAWING AND RECORD REVIEW

As part of the supplemental site characterization, available facility drawings and records were reviewed again to confirm previous information regarding the tank and determine if other information may be available. As a result of the document review, a facilities drawing, dated 1979⁴, showed the location, dimensions, and construction material of the tank and associated pump and piping. Pertinent information from the drawing has been incorporated in Figure 3. As noted on Figure 3, wastewaters were conveyed from Building 042 by gravity via a 6-inch Ricwil PVC line into the tank. Wastewater was pumped from the tank into the industrial waste system via a 3-inch Ricwil PVC line. The tank vent pipe was a 4-inch galvanized pipe that extended to 6 feet above the B005S roof line.

RECENT FIELD OBSERVATIONS AND SUPPLEMENTAL CHARACTERIZATION SAMPLING RESULTS

The area of the tank was inspected during a field visit with NYSDEC on October 5, 2011. During that field visit, two pipes, protruding from the ground, were observed near column AM-13B of the former B005S. One pipe was a 3-inch PVC pipe encased in a protective metal sleeve that daylighted immediately inside the former B005S east wall. The second pipe was a 4-inch galvanized pipe that daylighted just outside the former B005S east wall. The locations and photograph of these pipes are shown on Figure 3. These two pipe types and placement are consistent with historical site drawings of the installation of this tank.

³ Groundwater Sciences Corporation, *IBM Kingston, RCRA Facility Investigation Report on Groundwater Plumes and Sources*, March 14, 1997.

⁴ International Business Machines Corp., Kingston, N.Y. Plant Engineering, Drawing Number 042-01-M8 Revision A (Issue), dated May 8, 1979.

On May 3, 2012, one round of groundwater samples, plus one replicate sample was collected for fluoride analysis at the MW-260S, which as shown on Figure 4 lies downgradient from this unit. The boring log and construction details for MW-260S is attached.

Fluoride was not detected in either of the samples concentrations above the detection limit of 0.2 mg/L. Table 2 is a summary of these recent sampling results from the monitoring well, MW-260S collected as part of this Supplemental Site Characterization of SWMU Y.

Table 2. Summary of Supplemental Site Characterization Sampling Results								
SWMU Y, Former Fluoride Wastewater Ejector Tank (Monitoring Well MW-260S)								
	Date Sampled	Lab Number	Fluoride					
MW-260S	05/03/2012	420-54588-01	ND@0.2 mg/L					
	05/3/2012, replicate	420-54588-02	ND@0.2 mg/L					

SUMMARY

The Former Fluoride Wastewater Ejector Tank was in operation for a period of approximately 2 years, from the time of installation (1979) until the facility process that it supported was removed from B042 (1981).

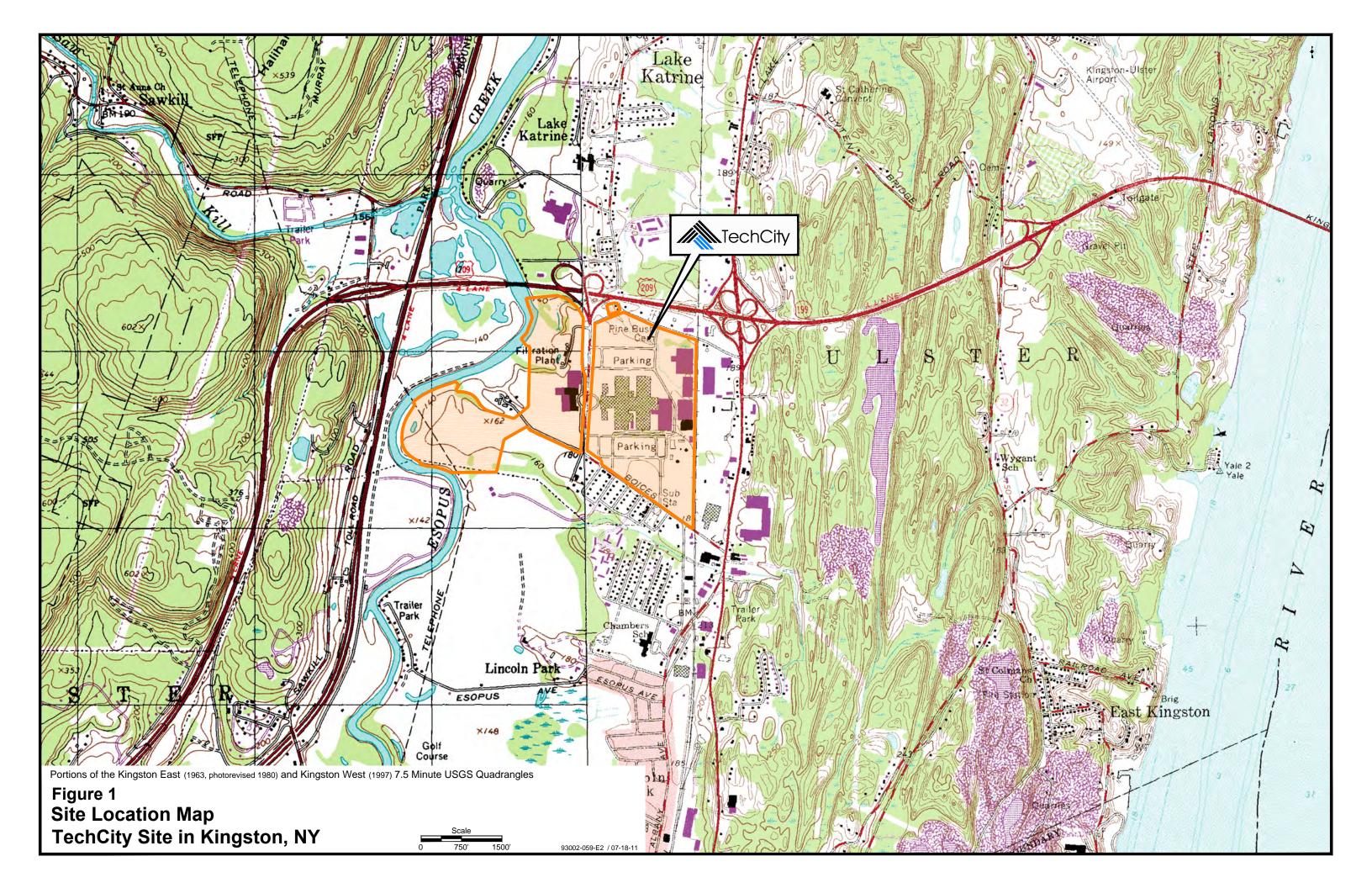
The materials of construction were compatible with the wastewater that was conveyed to and from the tank. Based on available facility records, there were no releases from the tank and conveyance system. Visual inspection of the area of the tank during a recent field visit revealed two pipe types and placement consistent with historical site drawings of the installation of this tank.

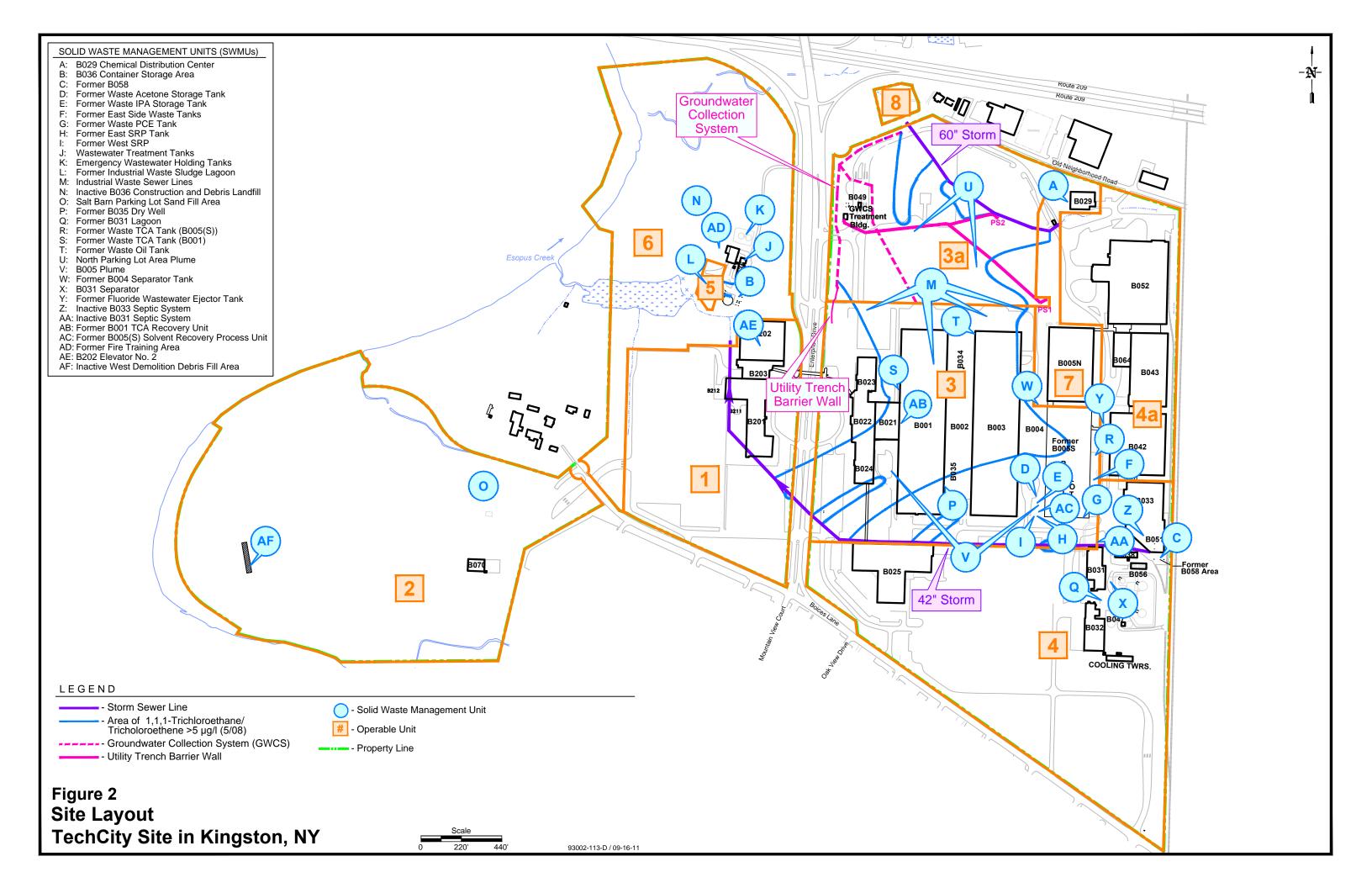
As noted in the RFA report and as reported above, groundwater samples from MW-320S, which lies immediately downgradient of this unit did not indicate the presence of VOCs or fluoride in groundwater. In addition, recent sampling of the another downgradient monitoring well MW-260S also did not indicate the presence of fluoride in groundwater.

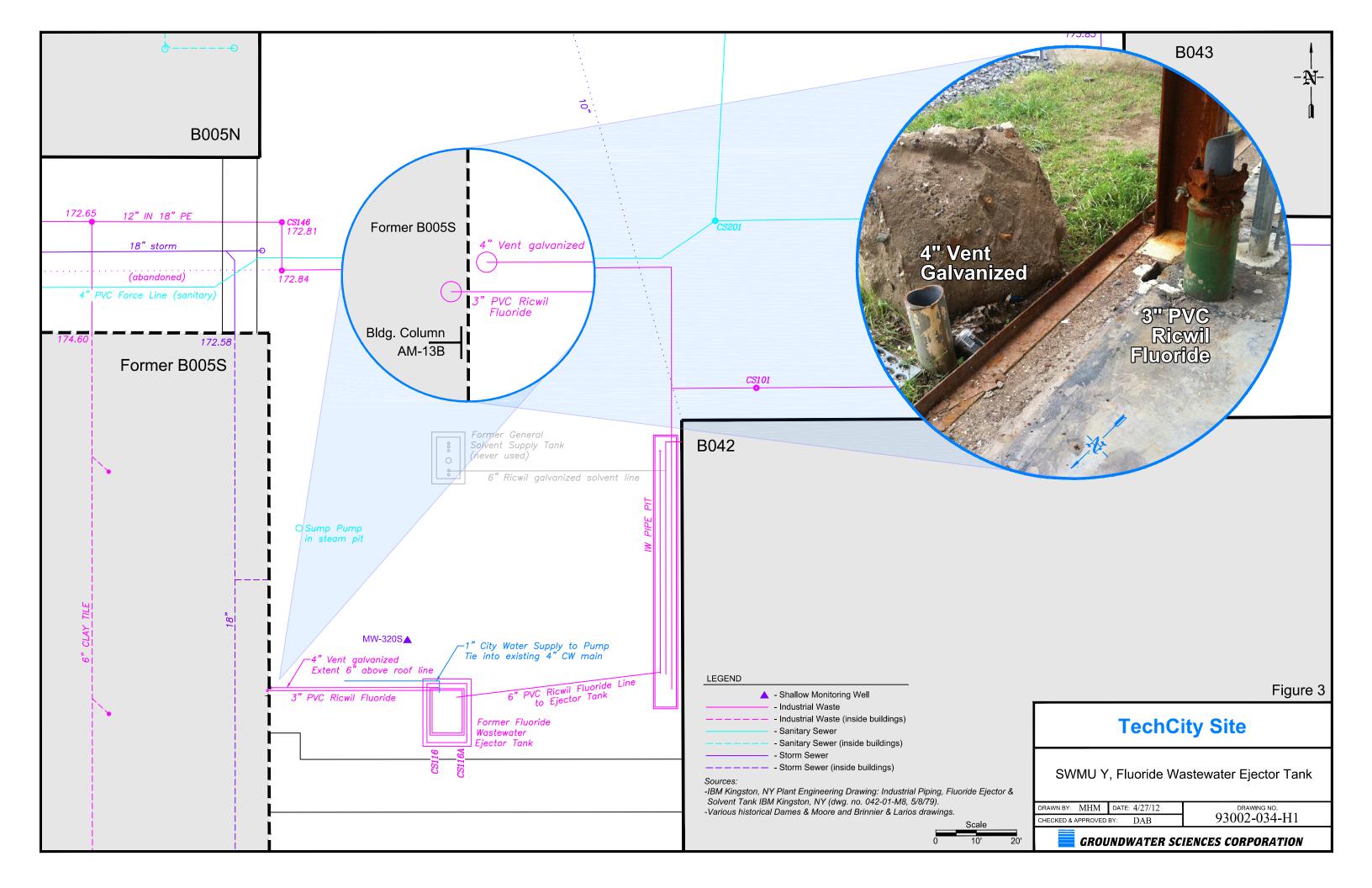
Based on these observations and supporting analytical data, no further action is recommended for this unit.

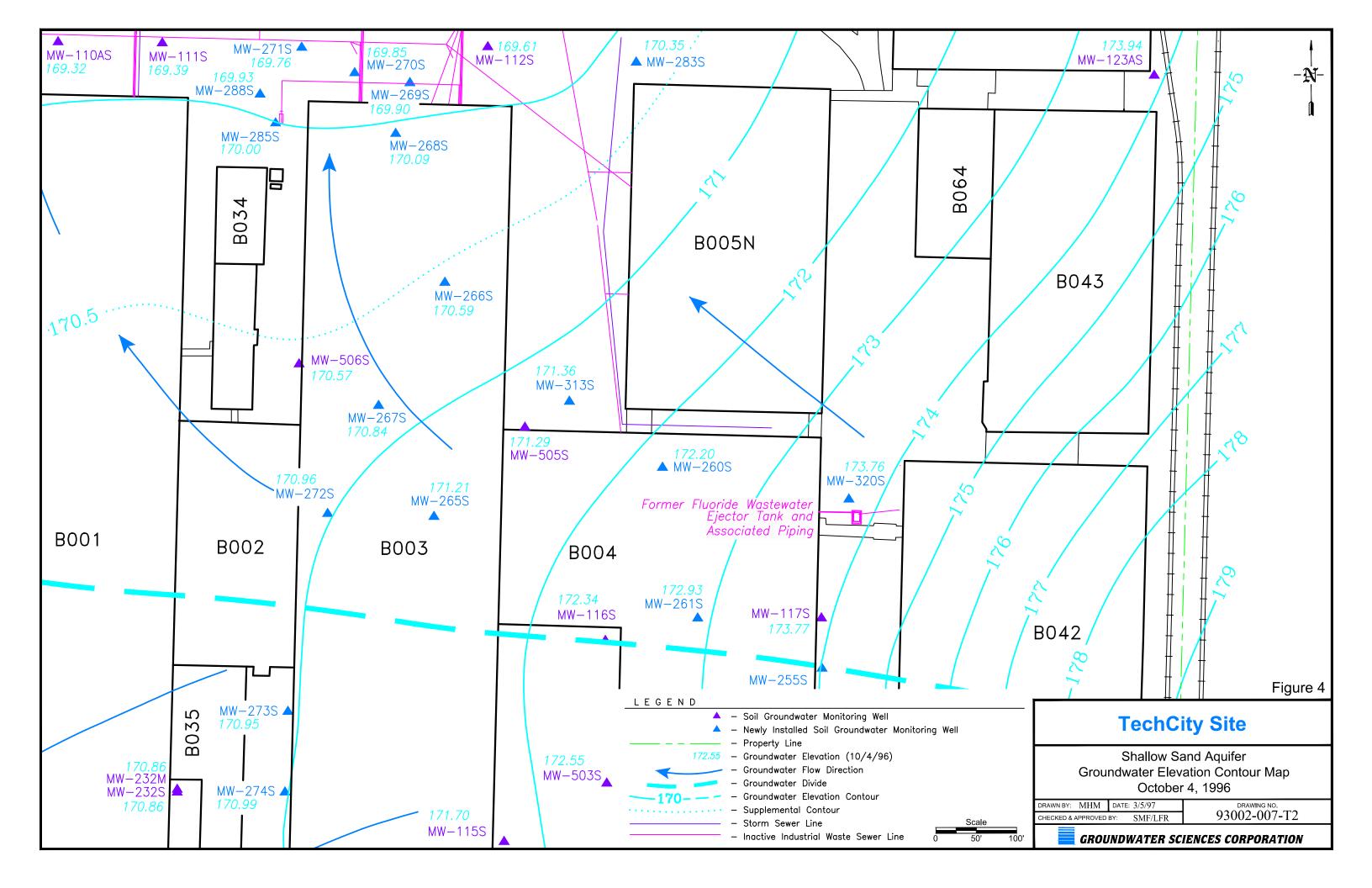
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Figure 1	Site Location Map
Figure 2	Site Layout
Figure 3	SWMU Y, Former Fluoride Wastewater Ejector Tank
Figure 4	Excerpt, Shallow Sand Aquifer Groundwater Elevation Contour Map
C	October 4, 1996









Attachment A

Monitoring Well Log and Construction Details:

MW-260S

MW-320S

Soil Augering Log Client: IBM Mid-Hudson Valley, Kingston Site Project No. 96011.01 Boring No. MW-260S Location Inside B005, ~40'S side/~45'E W side							TOC Elev. 178.85' GS Elev. 179.20' Page 1 of 1			
Depth Feet	Blow Counts	FID *	Sample Number	Recovery	Overburden/Lithologic Description		nscs	Well Construction Graphic	Depth Feet	Well Construction Details
0 = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = =	Ground Surface				Cement to 0.7'. GRAVEL/COBBLES: in sand matrix to 2.1'. SAND: brown at top to brownish gray at bower. w/some c and cobbles, dry at top, moist base.	ase, m near	<i>F</i> ILL		0 2	—9" flush—mount manhole w/2" water— tight sealing cap — Concrete pad
4	HAND AUGERED						SP		4	Hydrated bentonite chips 2" Sch 40 PVC riser
8	3-3-5-4	0	1	14"	SAND: grayish brown, mostly m w/some fir iron—stained zone at 4", loose, saturated.				8	8" HSA borehole
10=	5-5-5-8	0	2	20"	SAND: top 6", grayish brown, m at top to f finely laminated, saturated. SILTY CLAY: 6—13", brownish gray, m stiff, la SAND: 13—20", iron—stained at top, grayish at base, m, loose, saturated, tr organics.	minated.	ML/CL		10	2" Sch 40 10-slot PVC screen (5.5'-15.5')
12=	3-3-3-3	0	3	8"	SAND: grayish brown, m, loose, occ clay cl saturated.		SP		12	
14=	3-3-4-5	0	4	14"	SAND: as above w/faint oxidized zone at 2				14	No. 00N sand
16	WOH-3-3-7	0	5	13"	SAND: grayish brown, m, loose, silt lens (1 thick) at 6", iron—stained zone above and silty lens, saturated. SILTY CLAY: grayish brown, lam, m stiff, sa	below	SP/SM		16	— Bottom end cap — Collapsed/swelled formation
18=					Total Depth: 16.0'.				= 18 = 18	2" split—spoon borehole
20=									20	

Driller: Northstar Drilling, Inc. Logged by: D. Muriceak, GSC Drilling Started: 8-13-96 Drilling Completed: 8-13-96 Well Construction: 8-13-96 Well Developed: 8-20-96 Well Coords.: N717974.382 E592062.747

Notes:

*Top no. is volatile scan of split spoon; bottom no. is jar headspace scan measurement.

WOH = Weight of Hammer

Length of well material: 15.24'. SWL 7.1' (8/13/96; from TOC).

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Well Log: MW-260S

Client: IBM Mid-Hudson Valley, Kingston Site Project No. 96011.01					Boring No. MW-320S Location ~68'W of SW corner of B005N			TOC Elev. 181.62' GS Elev. 179.16' Page 1 of 1		
Depth Feet	Blow Counts	FID * (ppm)	Sample Number	Recovery	Overburden/Lithologic Description		SOSN	Well Construction Graphic	Depth Feet	Well Construction Details
0 = 2 = 4 = 6 = 6					SAND: dark brown, m-c, SR-SA w/some A and cobbles.	gravel	FILL		2 4 6	— 4" Locking Royer cap w/2" expansion plug — 4" protective steel casing — Concrete pad — Hydrated bentonite chips — 2" Sch 40 PVC riser — 8" HSA borehole
8 =	WOH/.5'-1/1.5'	0	1	5"	SAND: brown, m-c, SR-SA, loosely packed, saturated.		SP		8	2" Sch 40 10-slot PVC screen (3.0'-13.0')
10=	WOH/1'-1/1'	0	2	22"	SAND: top 12", brown, m-c, SR-SA, some v organics, occ rip-up clasts, asphalt cobble SILTY CLAY: 12-22", mostly gray throughout stained (orange brown) zone at top, lamir stiff, saturated.	at base. w/iron- lated,	SW ML/CL		= 10	
12=	2-2-4-3	0	3	18"	SAND: top 5", brownish gray to gray, m-c some vc and thin silty clay lams (~1/4" thick) top 5". SILTY CLAY: 5-12", iron-stained (orange br layer at top to gray silt at base, stiff. SAND: 12-18", brown, f-m, loose, saturate	to 1/2" own)	SP/SM ML/CL SP ML/CL ₇		12	No. 00N sand
14=	3-5-5-5	0	4	13"	SAND: 12-18", brown, f-m, loose, saturate SAND: as above, top 1". SILTY CLAY: 1-2", brown gray, soft, saturate SAND: 2-5", brown, f-m, loose, saturated. SILTY CLAY: 5-13", grayish brown, lam, me saturated.		SP		14	— Bottom end cap — Collapsed/swelled formation
16=	5-4-4-4	0	5	14"	SILTY CLAY: grayish brown, pink laminations, saturated.	stiff,	ML/CL		16	2" split—spoon borehole
18=					Total Depth: 16.0'				18	

Driller: Northstar Drilling, Inc. Logged by: D. Muriceak, GSC Drilling Started: 7-18-96 Drilling Completed: 7-18-96 Well Construction: 7-18-96 Well Developed: 7-23-96Well Coords.: N717935.078

E592293.710

Notes:

*Top no. is volatile scan of split spoon; bottom no. is jar headspace scan

measurement.

WOH = Weight of Hammer Length of well material: 15.4'. SWL 7.55' (7/23/96; from TOC).

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Well Log: MW-320S