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## LIST OF ACRONYMS

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AFB	Air Force Base
ANG	Air National Guard
BCG	Brooklawn Golf Course
BMPs	Best management practices
BTEX	Benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes
CaO <sub>2</sub>	Calcium peroxide
Ca(OH) <sub>2</sub>	Calcium hydroxide
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
COC	Constituent of concern
DO	Dissolved Oxygen
DPI	Direct Push Investigation
EE/CA	Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis
EPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency
ERM	Environmental Resource Management
ERP	Environmental Restoration Program
FW	Fighter Wing
GE	General Electric
H <sub>2</sub> O	Water
HASP	Health and Safety Plan
IRA	Interim Remedial Action
LSL	Life Science Laboratories, Inc.
MTBE	Methyl-tert butyl ether
ND	Non-detect
NGB/A7CVR	Air National Guard/Environmental Restoration Branch
NYSDEC	New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
NYSDOH	New York State Department of Health
O <sub>2</sub>	Oxygen
ORM	Oxygen-releasing material
ORP	Oxygen reduction potential
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PCBs	Polychlorinated bi-phenols
PID	Photo-ionization detector
PPE	Personal protective equipment
ppm	Parts per million
QC	Quality control

## LIST OF ACRONYMS/ABBREVIATIONS

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QAPP	Quality Assurance Project Plan
RAMTECH	Ram Tech Engineering Consultants
RAOs	Remedial action objectives
RI	Remedial Investigation
RSCOs	Recommended Soil Cleanup Objectives
SRIWP	Supplemental Remedial Investigation Work Plan
TM	Technical Memorandum
TPH	Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons
µg/L	Micrograms per liter
VOCs	Volatile organic compounds

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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On behalf of the Air National Guard (ANG), Environmental Resources Management (ERM) has prepared this Draft Interim Remedial Action Work Plan for source area soil removal at Environmental Restoration Program (ERP) Site 15 located at the 17<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing, Hancock Air National Guard Base in Syracuse, New York.

Site 15 was formerly used as a pump house and petroleum (jet fuel) storage area. It is approximately 2.5 acres in area, and consists of lawn area, brush and wooded vegetation, a large concrete pad, a bermed area where a 215,000-gallon aboveground tank was formerly located, and two drainage swales. Site 15 was constructed in 1951 and used to transfer and store JP-4 jet fuel until 1994. Site 15 was decommissioned in 1999 following completion of a new petroleum storage area.

Three spills at the site have been documented:

- Prior to the 1980s, poly-chlorinated bi-phenols were released, possibly from the transformers located in front of the pump house (Metcalf&Eddy (M&E), 1995).
- In April 1990, 3,850 gallons of JP-4 jet fuel were released inside the pump house. Some of the fuel reportedly flowed out of the building before it could be recovered (M&E, 1995).
- In June 1994, 150 gallons of JP-8 jet fuel overflowed onto the ground from beneath the northeast side of the building. The spill was reportedly contained with absorbent pads before it was able to exit through the drainage swale on the east side of the site (M&E, 1995, and Aneptek, 1999).

In August 2007, ERM conducted an additional Supplemental Remedial Investigation (RI) based on the findings of ERM's January 2007 Technical Memorandum (TM). The January 2007 TM concluded that there is a significant volume of residual petroleum-affected soil in the unsaturated zone in the source area of Site 15. The presence of this affected soil above the groundwater table would likely have a negative impact on the effectiveness of the planned groundwater remediation involving

treatment only in the saturated zone. ERM recommended further investigation of residual petroleum in the unsaturated zone in the source area of Site 15.

The results of analytical testing, elevated photo-ionization detector (PID) readings, soil water agitation testing and discussions with ANG personnel were used to evaluate that volume of petroleum-affected soil in the unsaturated zone at Site 15. The estimated volume of petroleum-affected soil which ERM recommended to be removed prior to any enhanced bioremediation treatment of Site 15 groundwater is 2,000 cubic yards, or approximately 3,000 tons.

ERM prepared a *Draft Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis* (EE/CA) in May 2008 and the following three alternatives were developed to address removal action objectives for remediation of petroleum-affected soil in the source area at Site 15:

- Alternative 1 - No Action
- Alternative 2 – Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal
- Alternative 3 – Soil Excavation and On-Site Treatment

Alternative 2 (Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal) was the recommended removal action alternative. This alternative provides the most reliable long-term source control action and provides the most effective protection of human health and environment. This alternative is both technically and administratively implementable and requires no long-term maintenance or monitoring on the part of the individual residents. Alternative 2 was also the most cost effective and time critical active removal action evaluated.

This Interim Remedial Action Work Plan presents the following:

- A summary of site conditions and results of applicable historical soil and groundwater investigation, and remediation activities;
- Development of remedial action objectives for protection of human health and the environment; and
- An implementation plan for the chosen additional remedial measure.

The objective of the proposed removal action is to remediate soil impacted with contaminants of concern (COCs) to below the proposed New York

State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Recommended Soil Cleanup Objectives (RSCOs). Using the protection of groundwater standard as the cleanup goals will significantly decrease the potential risk to human health and the environment, and will allow the planned groundwater remediation involving treatment only in the saturated zone to be more effective.

The implementation of this remedy includes:

- Profiling of the excavated impacted soil;
- Excavation of approximately 2,000 cubic yards of impacted soil followed by confirmation sampling;
- Transportation and off-site disposal of the impacted soil;
- Treatment of residual contaminants within the excavated areas using an oxygen-releasing material; and
- Excavation backfill and site restoration.



## SECTION 1.0

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*INTRODUCTION*

Environmental Resource Management (ERM) has prepared this Interim Remedial Action (IRA) Work Plan for Environmental Restoration Program (ERP) Site 15 at the 174<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing (FW), Hancock Air National Guard (ANG) in Syracuse, New York ([Figure 1-1](#)). This IRA Work Plan was prepared for the Air National Guard (ANG) ERP under Contract DAHA92-01-D-0005. The Air National Guard/Environmental Restoration Branch (NGB/A7CVR) is providing program management services for the project.

The purpose of this IRA Work Plan is to implement the selected remedial alternative of excavation and off-site disposal at ERP Site 15 of the 174<sup>th</sup> FW ([Figure 1-2](#)).

## **1.1 Project Overview**

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The following subsections summarize the objectives and scope of work for the remedial activities at Site 15.

### **1.1.1 Objectives and Scope of the Interim Remedial Action Work Plan**

The specific objectives of this IRA Work Plan are as follows:

- Detailing/describing the program approach/methods and procedures to be used during the selected remedial alternative of soil excavation and off-site disposal, in conjunction with enhanced bioremediation of remaining hydrocarbons utilizing an oxygen-releasing material (ORM).
- Removing the majority of the “grossly contaminated” petroleum-affected soil in the source area at Site 15 overlying groundwater. Removal of this petroleum affected material will have a significant positive effect on the effectiveness of planned future groundwater remediation.

- Eliminating the majority of unsaturated zone petroleum-affected soil in the Site 15 source area in order to reduce the potential threats to human health and the environment.

## 1.2 Removal Action Process

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This document meets IRA Work Plan objectives via the following steps:

- Describing the methods and procedures to be used during the remedial alternative of soil excavation and off-site disposal which will satisfy project remedial action objectives (RAOs).
- Providing a supporting site-specific Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) and Health and Safety Plan (HASP) for use during soil excavation and off-site disposal activities (Presented in [Appendix A](#) and [Appendix B](#), respectively).

## 1.3 Work Plan Structure

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This IRA Work Plan describes the activities for the selected remedial alternative and contains seven sections and two appendices. Following this introductory section, the document is organized as follows:

- [Section 2.0](#) describes the project management approach.
- [Section 3.0](#) provides background information for ERP Site 15.
- [Section 4.0](#) describes the selected remedial action and scope.
- [Section 5.0](#) discusses implementation of the selected remedial method.
- [Section 6.0](#) outlines the transportation and disposal plan.
- [Section 7.0](#) lists references cited in this work plan.

The following two appendices are included in this work plan:

- [Appendix A](#) contains the QAPP; and
- [Appendix B](#) presents the HASP.

## SECTION 2.0

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## ***ORGANIZATION AND RESPONSIBILITIES***

### **2.1 Quality Control Organization**

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The project will be managed and executed by personnel who will ensure that project objectives are met. Soil excavation and disposal, analytical services, and surveying support will be provided by experienced subcontractor firms that possess the required permits, licenses, and accreditations necessary to work in New York.

The ERM project team will consist of the key positions described below.

Project Director: The Project Director, Mr. Geof Moss of ERM's Scottsdale, Arizona office, is responsible for the overall execution of this project and for maintaining an open line of communication with the ANG Project Manager.

Project Manager: The Project Manager, Mr. David W. Myers of ERM's Troy, New York office, will directly supervise the project team, provide technical direction and interface with NGB/A7CVR and New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), direct field operations, monitor quality control (QC), and coordinate contractor and subcontractor support.

Construction and Site Manager: A Construction and Site Manager, Mr. Robert Sents of ERM's Syracuse, New York office, will support the Project Manager with site activities. The Site Manager will be responsible for on-site health and safety, directly supervising the removal action, and providing technical direction and technical interface with the Project Manager.

Health and Safety Manager: The Health and Safety Manager, Mr. Ernie Sweet of ERM's Syracuse, New York office, will be responsible for ensuring that physical and chemical hazards are appropriately mitigated through effective execution of the HASP.

Project Scientists and Engineers: This group includes qualified geologists, engineers, and chemists. All personnel anticipated to work at the 174<sup>th</sup> FW will have the requisite education and/or experience.

## **2.2 Project Procedures**

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An open line of communication will be maintained between the Project Manager, the NGB/A7CVR Program Manager, the Base Environmental Manager, and the NYSDEC Project Manager. The Project Manager will communicate with the project team to ensure that all objectives are met. All construction and sampling activities will be performed in accordance with this IRA Work Plan.

## **2.3 Quality Management**

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The Project Manager will also be responsible for QC functions during project execution. QC responsibilities include oversight and verification that the project is being conducted in accordance with applicable quality criteria, and ANG requirements.

## **2.4 Subcontractor Management**

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The contractor is responsible for performance of all work under this IRA Work Plan, including the work of subcontractors. The contractor will hire subcontractors for excavation, transportation, disposal, analytical services, and surveying support. The Construction/Site Manager will maintain oversight of the subcontractors' completion of specified tasks with respect to technical performance, quality, and adherence to cost and schedule.

All subcontractor activity will be in compliance with the site HASP ([Appendix B](#)). All subcontractors will be notified of, and will agree to, the responsibility of implementing the HASP.

## SECTION 3.0

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***SITE BACKGROUND AND HISTORY***

The following section provides background information and summarizes previous investigations conducted at Site 15.

**3.1 Site Location**

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The 174<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing (FW) of the New York ANG is based at Hancock International Airport, a former Air Force Base located two miles north-northeast of the City of Syracuse in Onondaga County in central New York. The ANG facility is currently operating within the southern portion of the former Hancock Air Force Base located south of the Syracuse airport.

**3.2 Site 15 Description**

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Site 15 was formerly used as a pump house and petroleum (jet fuel) storage area. It is approximately 2.5 acres in area, and consists of lawn area, brush and wooded vegetation, a large concrete pad, a bermed area where a 215,000-gallon aboveground tank was formerly located, and two drainage swales. Site 15 was constructed in 1951 and used to transfer and store JP-4 jet fuel until 1994. Site 15 was decommissioned in 1999 following completion of a new petroleum storage area.

Site 15 has sustained spills of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), JP-4, and JP-8 fuels over the years. Several Site structures were removed in 2003 as part of a removal action for PCB-impacted soils. Structures removed include a transformer pad, the foundation of the former pump house, and associated underground structures consisting of six underground tanks, three drainage sumps, and an oil-water separator (Parsons, 2003).

### **3.2.1 Site Release History**

Site 15 was constructed in 1951 and used to transfer and store JP-4 jet fuel until 1994. Site 15 was decommissioned in 1999 following completion of a new petroleum storage area. When the area was actively used, it was the site of the Jet Fuel Transfer Pump house (Building 602), a transformer pad, various storage tanks, and equipment for transferring jet fuel to the tanks. In 1999, the pump house was demolished, the aboveground storage tank was cleaned and removed, and the underground storage tanks were cleaned and filled in place.

Three spills at the site have been documented:

- Prior to the 1980s, PCBs were released, possibly from the transformers located in front of the pump house (Metcalf&Eddy (M&E), 1995).
- In April 1990, 3,850 gallons of JP-4 jet fuel were released inside the pump house. Some of the fuel reportedly flowed out of the building before it could be recovered (M&E, 1995).
- In June 1994, 150 gallons of JP-8 jet fuel overflowed onto the ground from beneath the northeast side of the building. The spill was reportedly contained with absorbent pads before it was able to exit through the drainage swale on the east side of the site (M&E, 1995, and Aneptek, 1999).

### **3.3 Surrounding Land Uses**

The 174<sup>th</sup> FW is bordered by the airport to the north, the Town of Dewitt to the east and south, and the Town of Salina to the west. The land use to the south, east and west is industrial and residential. Immediately south of the 174<sup>th</sup> FW is the Brooklawn Golf Course (BGC).

### **3.4 Previous Project Activities**

The following subsections summarize previous investigations and remediation conducted at Site 15 as part of the ERP at the 174<sup>th</sup> FW.

#### **3.4.1 Remedial Investigations/Studies and Removal Action**

Several investigations/studies and a removal action have taken place at Site 15 during the period from June 1990 to June 2003. The following

reports have been prepared which describe the methods and findings of these investigations in detail.

Aneptek, 1999. *Draft Treatability Study/Technical Memorandum for Petroleum, Oil, and Lubricant Facility, Site 15*. 174<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing, New York Air National Guard, Hancock Field, Syracuse, New York. Prepared by Aneptek Corporation for the Air National Guard Readiness Center, Andrews AFB, Maryland. December 1999

Lockheed, 1997. *Final Remedial Investigation Report for Petroleum, Oil, and Lubricant Facility, Site 15*. Volumes I and II. Prepared by Lockheed Martin for the Air National Guard Readiness Center, Andrews AFB, Maryland. July 1997.

Metcalf & Eddy (M&E), 1995. *Final Technical Memorandum*. 174<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing, New York Air National Guard, Hancock Field, Syracuse, New York. Prepared by Metcalf & Eddy for the Air National Guard Readiness Center, Andrews AFB, Maryland. February 1995.

Parsons ES, 2000. *Work Plan for Data Gap Investigation, Focused Feasibility Study, and Subsequent Pre-Design and Design Tasks for Site 15 at Hancock Field, Syracuse, NY*. Prepared for National Guard Bureau and Air National Guard. December 2000.

Parsons ES, 2001. *Work Plan for the Time Critical Removal Action at Site 15 at Hancock Field, Syracuse, NY*. Prepared for National Guard Bureau and Air National Guard. October 2001.

Parsons, 2002. Feasibility Study Report for Site 15 (includes Data Gap Investigation Report as Appendix A). Prepared for the Air National Guard Readiness Center, Andrews AFB, Maryland. February 2002.

Parsons, 2003. Remedial Action Report for the Hancock Air National Guard Site 15 and Site 1. Prepared for the Air National Guard Readiness Center, Andrews AFB, Maryland. June 2003.

### **3.4.2 ERM Groundwater Monitoring**

ERM conducted groundwater sampling at the Site during April and September 2005. Sixteen shallow monitoring wells located on ANG property were sampled for benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and total xylenes (BTEX) and methyl-tert butyl ether (MTBE) by Environmental

Protection Agency (EPA) Method 8260 and for selected natural attenuation parameters.

The groundwater analysis indicated BTEX and MTBE concentrations below laboratory method reporting limits in seven of the 16 monitoring wells. The highest concentrations of benzene were found in the source area and immediately down gradient to the southeast. Ethylbenzene concentrations were highest in the source area and adjacent to Molloy Road. Xylene concentrations above the NYSDEC standard are limited to the source area and adjacent to Molloy Road. The results of these sampling events were summarized in ERM's September 2006 Supplemental Remedial Investigation Work Plan (SRIWP).

### **3.4.3 ERM Supplemental Investigations**

ERM initiated the work outlined in the NYSDEC-approved SRIWP in October 2006 to delineate the extent of the BTEX-affected groundwater both on the 174<sup>th</sup> FW property and the BGC property. This investigation included a direct-push investigation (DPI), monitoring well installation and repairs, a groundwater sampling event which encompassed all existing monitoring wells and the seven newly installed monitoring wells (two at Site 15 and five at BGC) and a soil vapor survey.

The groundwater analysis indicated BTEX and MTBE concentrations above laboratory method reporting limits in 14 of the 23 monitoring wells. The soil vapor survey results indicated there was no sub-chronic and/or chronic risk associated with exposure to volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in a building constructed in the sampled area.

Based upon field observation, elevated PID readings in the unsaturated zone, analytical data and a historical data review, ERM concluded that there is a significant volume of residual petroleum-affected soil in the unsaturated zone in the source area of Site 15. This presence of this affected soil above the groundwater table would likely have a negative impact on the effectiveness of the planned groundwater remediation involving treatment only in the saturated zone. ERM recommended further investigation of residual petroleum in the unsaturated zone in the source area of Site 15. All information relating to this investigation is presented in ERM's Supplemental RI Technical Memorandum (TM), dated January 2007.



In August 2007, ERM conducted an additional Supplemental RI based on the findings of the January 2007 TM. One of the soil samples contained compounds of potential concern at concentrations exceeding recommended soil cleanup objectives (RSCOs) for protection of ground water as outlined in NYSDEC Part 375-6.8(b). Specific VOCs that exceeded RSCOs and the protection of ground water standard include benzene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes and are presented on [Table 3-1](#). The VOCs toluene and MTBE were not detected in any of the soil samples at concentrations above applicable soil cleanup objectives for the protection of groundwater.

In addition, samples retained from the field investigation that indicated a potential for containing residual petroleum sheen were tested in ERM's office by a soil agitation procedure. This procedure involved placing the soil in a clear glass jar with a small amount of tap water and "agitating the sample" by shaking. This agitation testing on soil samples screened at PID readings of 628 ppm and greater indicated the presence of an observable sheen. This residual sheen classifies the soil as "grossly contaminated" and the NYSDEC requires remediation of "grossly contaminated soil" during source removal actions.

The results of analytical testing, elevated PID readings, soil water agitation testing and discussions with ANG personnel were used to evaluate that volume of petroleum-affected soil in the unsaturated zone at Site 15. The estimated volume of petroleum-affected soil which ERM recommends to be removed prior to any enhanced bioremediation treatment of Site 15 groundwater is 2,000 cubic yards, or approximately 3,000 tons as shown on [Figure 3-1](#).

ERM also advanced soil borings at approximate 30-foot spacing along the east side of Fairway Drive on the Ram Tech Engineering Consultants (RamTech) Property during this additional Supplemental Investigation. Based on the findings in the additional Supplemental RI described in ERM's May 2008 TM, the extent of BTEX-affected groundwater has been delineated on the 174<sup>th</sup> FW property, BGC property and the RamTech property. However, available data suggests that BTEX-affected groundwater also extends beyond the RamTech property towards the south and/or southeast to neighboring property owned by General Electric (GE).

Based upon the relatively rapid expansion of the BTEX plume and the moderate to high concentration of BTEX materials encountered on the

RamTech property, ERM recommended that additional delineation work be performed down-gradient of the RamTech property. Due to an anticipated delay in securing access agreements from GE, ERM also recommended that consideration should be given to performing enhanced in situ bioremediation as soon as possible to minimize further down-gradient migration of dissolved-phase BTEX in groundwater. All information relating to this investigation is presented in ERM's Supplemental Additional RI Technical Memorandum (TM), dated May 2008.

#### **3.4.4 Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis**

ERM prepared an Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA) in May 2008 and the following three alternatives were developed to address removal action objectives for remediation of petroleum-affected soil in the source area at Site 15:

- Alternative 1 - No Action
- Alternative 2 – Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal
- Alternative 3 – Soil Excavation and On-Site Treatment

Alternative 2 (Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal) was the recommended removal action alternative. This alternative provides the most reliable long-term source control action and provides the most effective protection of human health and environment. This alternative is both technically and administratively implementable and requires no long-term maintenance or monitoring on the part of the individual residents. Alternative 2 was also the most cost effective and time critical active removal action evaluated.

## SECTION 4.0

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## ***SELECTED REMEDIAL ACTION ALTERNATIVE AND SCOPE***

### **4.1 Objectives of the Selected Remedial Action**

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The objectives of the selected remedial actions are:

- Prevent the leaching of benzene, ethylbenzene and total xylenes, the Site 15 chemicals of concern (COCs), to the groundwater which could result in concentrations exceeding NYSDEC groundwater standards and continued expansion of the groundwater plume;
- Remove potential risks in the form of dermal contact and inhalation of vapors through contact associated with future construction activities in this area.

To achieve the objectives, it is proposed that soil at ERP Site 15 containing concentrations of COCs above their respective RSCOs established in Part 375 by the NYSDEC be removed through excavation and disposal, and enhanced bioremediation of residual soil-phase hydrocarbons utilizing ORM. Proposed cleanup goals (protection of ground water soil RSCOs) for the COCs present at the site are presented in [Table 3-1](#).

### **4.2 Areas and Volumes of Impacted Media**

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The purpose of the soil excavation activities of the project is to remove impacted soil and free-phase product, which are acting as a potential source zone for impacting groundwater. Excavation areas were developed based on the estimated locations for this source zone. Three excavation areas were developed, Excavation Area A, Excavation Area B and Excavation Area C. Development of the excavation areas are based on the following:

1. The laboratory analysis which contained compounds of potential concern at concentrations that exceeded the RSCOs as established in Part 375 by the NYSDEC.
2. The areas of residual petroleum (sheen) which was observed on water following agitation testing in soil samples screened at PID readings of 628 ppm and greater. As previously discussed, this residual sheen classifies the soil as “grossly contaminated”. The NYSDEC requires remediation of “grossly contaminated soil” during source removal actions.
3. ERM also received input from the ANG to help define the areas of petroleum-affected soil in the unsaturated zone. As previously stated, these areas are defined as Areas A, B, and C as shown on [Figure 3-1](#) and listed in the table below. Based on the dimensions and impacted depths of those areas, the estimated volume of petroleum-affected soil requiring remediation or removal is approximately 2,000 cubic yards or 3,000 tons.

Area ID	Size	Zone of affected Soil	Thickness	Volume
A	230' x 30'	2'-7'	5'	1,280 yd <sup>3</sup>
B	80' x 30'	0'-5'	5'	450 yd <sup>3</sup>
C	80' x 30'	4'-7'	3'	270 yd <sup>3</sup>

## SECTION 5.0

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## ***IMPLEMENTATION OF SOIL REMEDIATION***

### **5.1 Purpose**

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This section defines the methodology and standard practices to control the quality of work performed at the site during excavation activities specified in this IRA Work Plan. In summary, the soil remediation activities will include:

- Mobilize and prepare the site;
- Profile the in-situ soil for disposal. Contractor shall determine best disposal methodology for soil disposal;
- Excavate impacted soil (limits of excavation areas shown on [Figure 5-1](#)) and stockpile non-petroleum impacted soil (site work areas shown on [Figure 5-2](#)) within the work zone areas;
- Excavate and load for transportation and disposal petroleum impacted soil from within the excavation areas;
- Apply ORM in the base of the completed excavation areas;
- Backfill the completed excavation areas to the project specifications; and
- Restoration/landscaping of work area.

The following subsections present the procedures and requirements such that these soil remediation activities can be implemented.

### **5.2 Mobilization and General Site Preparation**

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Before starting soil remediation work, certain mobilization and site preparation activities will occur. Mobilization and site preparation is the

act of establishing administrative procedures and bringing personnel, equipment, materials, and tools to support the remediation work. Mobilization will be performed in a phased approach by bringing equipment, materials, tools, and personnel to the site on an as-needed basis. Mobilization and site preparation include the following eight components:

1. Procurement of remediation contractor and vendors;
2. Obtaining any required permits and notifications;
3. Obtaining base access and identifying base restrictions for all personnel;
4. Establishment of temporary facility and site access;
5. Protection of utilities and monitoring wells;
6. Obtaining sufficient impacted soil for adequate soil profiling to allow direct loading for transportation and disposal of impacted materials.
7. Implementation of worker health and safety; and
8. Documentation and recordkeeping of project activities.

#### **5.2.1 Contractor and Vendor Procurement**

Prior to performing on-site remediation work, procurement of a qualified remediation contractor will be performed. This will be accomplished by review and approval of pre-qualified contractors capable of performing the work presented in this IRA Work Plan, preparation of contract documents, and awarding the work to the successful contractor. The contract documents will include this IRA Work Plan, drawings, and any other ANG requirements. The contract documents will also detail the measurement and payment requirements for the contractor's compensation.

#### **5.2.2 Permits and Notifications**

All work will be conducted in accordance with applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations. The contractor will be responsible for obtaining and maintaining all permits and notifications prior to executing the work. The only potential anticipated permit is:

- Excavation permit from Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA);

Copies of this permit and any other permits and notifications necessary to execute the work will be maintained on site by the contractor during execution of the work.

### **5.2.3 Base Access and Base Restrictions**

Currently, all U.S. military installations, including the 174<sup>th</sup> FW, are under an elevated threat condition; therefore, the force protection level should be verified prior to the start of work.

The Base Environmental Manager must be notified prior to contractor arrival at the base in order to facilitate the proper clearances for site entry. Contractor passes and vehicle permits must be obtained from Base Security upon arrival at the base.

Work zone areas will be located prior to the initiation of field work by ERM personnel in conjunction with the Base Environmental Manager based on the force protection level at the that time. Restricted areas as outlined at the initiation of field work may not be entered in any other location. "Deadly force" is authorized if the proper procedures are not followed when accessing restricted areas. Truck and trailer traffic will need to follow designated routes as established by ERM personnel in conjunction with the Base Environmental Manager at the initiation of field work. In addition, truck and trailer tires need to be checked for rocks and other debris prior to proceeding through the work zones.

### **5.2.4 Temporary Facilities and Site Access**

Establishment of temporary facilities, project control setup, and site access are necessary so that each component of the soil remediation work can be performed. These include:

- Lay-down areas to facilitate the work will be established within Site 15. The contractor will select a location where a field trailer, equipment, storage bins, materials, and sanitary facilities may be placed. The contractor is responsible for any utility connections and disconnections.
- Fencing and signs will be placed around specific work areas to prevent unauthorized entrance. An entry/exit point to the project site will be

established. At the entry/exit point, signs will be placed to direct visitors and vendors to either a field trailer or designated area where log-in with the on-site contractor superintendent will occur.

- A parking area for workers' personal vehicles will be established. The parking area will be at a location such that the work will not be hindered.
- Contact will be initiated and continued with base personnel outlined in Section 2 of the HASP.

The Base Environmental Manager must approve all staging and storage areas and transportation routes prior to use. On-site haul routes will be delineated. Appropriate signs, markers, fencing, and barricades will be utilized to direct project traffic. The Transportation and Disposal Plan ([Section 6.0](#)) details the procedures and requirements that will guide on- and off-site transportation as related to this project.

#### **5.2.5 Utility and Monitoring Well Protection**

The location where the work will be performed has active monitoring wells and utilities in an adjacent area. Prior to performing any work, the contractor will perform a due-diligence utility survey and monitoring well survey. This will include performing an underground service alert in the work areas to identify any utilities and reviewing work plan diagrams for monitoring well locations. During the project work, utilities and monitoring wells will be protected. Any damage to a utility or monitoring well will be repaired by the contractor at his own expense.

#### **5.2.6 Soil Profiling for Waste Disposal**

In-situ soil samples previously collected during the August 2007 field work were presented to the proposed disposal location, the Ontario County Landfill. Since the proposed material is non-hazardous, the land fill has approved this material as daily cover. Any additional analytical requirements based on the selected facility's profiling requirements will be performed on an as needed basis.



### **5.2.7 Implementation of Worker Health and Safety**

A HASP has been prepared for the project and addresses worker health and safety for the project ([Appendix B](#)). In summary, worker health and safety will include:

- Addressing physical and chemical hazards at the site and providing requirements for worker personal protective equipment (PPE);
- Criteria for upgrades in PPE;
- Minimum training requirements for site workers;
- Emergency information such as directions to the nearest hospital and emergency telephone numbers; and
- Specific administrative requirements such as documentation of training and daily health and safety tailgate meetings.

### **5.2.8 Documentation and Recordkeeping**

Prior to executing the project work, the contractor will have in place a recordkeeping system for project documentation. The purpose of the documentation and recordkeeping system is to maintain a record of all soil remediation activities. The documentation and recordkeeping for the project will be maintained on site during the project. These records will be maintained up to date during the project. At the conclusion of the project, this information will be used to prepare a summary report of the soil remediation activities. At minimum, the documentation and recordkeeping system will include:

- Copies of current training and medical surveillance certificates for all on-site workers;
- Completed health and safety signature sheets;
- Completed daily tailgate health and safety forms;
- Copies of permits and notifications;
- On-site superintendent daily field log;
- As-built drawings of the final excavation limits;

- Type, location, and quantity of shoring and sheet piling used (must be identified in the as-built drawings);
- Material certificates for the ORM placed into the excavation areas, which will include the quantity of ORM placed into each excavation area;
- Analytical results for soil confirmation sampling and analysis;
- Analytical results for soil profiling for off-site transportation and disposal;
- Waste manifests and weigh tickets for all soil and debris transported and disposed of off site;
- A certification letter from the off-site disposal facilities for all wastes, showing that the off-site facility has approved receiving the waste;
- Material certification for the backfill material placed into the excavation areas, and the volume of backfill material imported to the site and placed into each excavation area; and
- Geotechnical testing for placement of backfill.

### **5.3 Excavation of Impacted Soil**

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The primary method for soil remediation will be source zone removal of impacted soil. After completing mobilization and site preparation work, soil excavation will be performed. [Figure 5-1](#) identifies the areas where soil excavation will take place. The following subsections further detail the requirements for these tasks.

#### **5.3.1 Pre-Excavation Work**

Prior to performing excavation work, several pre-excavation work items will be completed, as listed below.

##### *5.3.1.1 Pre-Excavation Survey*

The lateral excavation limits identified in [Figure 5-1](#) will be staked out by a New York State Licensed Surveyor. When the excavation areas are staked out, the surveyor will tie the excavation areas with known adjacent

site features such that post-excavation survey work can be performed and as-built drawings can be produced.

#### *5.3.1.2 Monitoring Wells*

As shown in [Figure 5-1](#), monitoring wells MW-101 and MW-108 are located 5 to 10-feet from the edges of the proposed excavation boundaries (including the sidewall slopes). Monitoring wells MW-2, MW-3, MW-4, MW-5, MW-22, MW-102 and MW-109 which are located within the work zone. All these wells are being used for the long-term monitoring of the site. Therefore, care must be exercised in protecting these wells during excavation activities.

#### *5.3.1.3 Utilities*

[Figure 5-1](#) identifies a waterline that parallels the western and northwestern limit of Excavation Area A. The integrity of this waterline will be maintained during the project. [Section 5.3.2](#) further discusses excavation and construction requirements associated with site utilities. All other utilities will be marked and protected as discussed in [Section 5.2.4](#).

#### *5.3.1.4 Groundwater Depth*

Before excavation work begins, groundwater depth at the excavation areas will be confirmed. Previous work indicates that groundwater will be at a depth of approximately 7-feet below grade. This confirmation depth will be obtained from groundwater monitoring wells adjacent to the excavation areas. The vertical limit of the excavation areas will be set at 7 feet. Because of the estimated depth of the excavations, it is assumed that no groundwater and no free-product will enter the excavation footprints.

### **5.3.2 Excavation and Stockpile Work**

[Section 4.2](#) details the design rationale for the excavation limits proposed in [Figure 5-1](#). [Section 6.1.3](#) discusses stockpile staging and loading. The contractor may use the stockpile area and any area within the Site 15 area to stage equipment and supplies during the work.

The following requirements will be maintained by the contractor during execution of soil excavation and stockpile work:

1. It is anticipated that the contractor will use equipment such as excavators, front-end loaders, and dump trucks to perform the work. The equipment must be in legal operating condition and the operators will be experienced to operate the equipment.
2. The contractor will sequence the excavation areas such that the project work can proceed without disturbing other on-site project activities. For example, it is anticipated that Excavation Area A will be completed first, followed by Excavation Area B to ensure that the on-site transportation route between the excavation areas, stockpile area, and entry-exit gate is maintained.
3. Any utility conflicts identified in mobilization and general site preparation will be resolved prior to disturbing the ground surface ([Section 5.2.5](#)).
4. The surface of each excavation area is concrete, asphalt or grass. At the location where the excavation is in areas with concrete, the contractor will use equipment such as a concrete saw-cutter, or equivalent, and provide a smooth cut. Outside the excavation area beyond the saw-cut, the damage to the concrete and/or asphalt will be kept to a minimum. If any surface features or any other item are damaged outside the excavation area, the surface feature or item will be repaired.
5. Surface demolition debris such as concrete or asphalt and will be stockpiled in the stockpile area. The concrete and asphalt debris will be placed at the bottom of the excavation. Mixing of debris with impacted soil will be prevented.
6. All non-impacted soil removed from the excavation areas will be stockpiled (proposed stockpile areas shown on [Figure 5-2](#)), including overburden soil, and soil removed to construct safe excavation sidewalls. The soil stockpiles will be discrete and uniform in size (volume). The contractor is responsible for coordinating the excavation work, stockpile work, profiling, transportation, and disposal of soil, such that adequate space is maintained in the stockpile area. Stockpiling in other areas is not permitted. Imported clean backfill may also be staged in the designated soil stockpile areas for later use.
7. Transportation of debris and soil to the stockpile area will follow the transportation requirements stipulated in [Section 6.0](#).

8. During excavation and stockpile work, dust control will be implemented such that visible dust is kept to a minimum.
9. The stockpile area will be maintained such that fluids do not drain outside of the stockpile area. The contractor will determine how to prevent drainage of fluids from the stockpile area. The current surface of the stockpile area is grass. The contractor will perform stockpile work such that the surface damage is limited. Upon conclusion of work, any damage to the surface will be repaired at the contractor's expense, and any materials used by the contractor to contain fluids within the stockpile area will be disposed of off site.
10. The final excavation depth has been set approximately 1 foot above the lowest average groundwater depth. For excavation and design/planning purposes, the average groundwater depth is 8 feet bgs. Therefore, the final excavation depth for each excavation area will be set at 7 feet. The contractor performing the remediation work must be prepared to minimize the amount of storm water entering the excavation and to remove any storm water and track volumes removed on a daily basis while the excavation area is open.
11. Excavation work will be performed to meet all OSHA rules and regulations. This includes following the requirements for sloping, benching, and shoring as presented in 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 1926, Subpart P - Excavations. For excavation design/planning purposes, it was assumed that the excavation sidewalls would be sloped at 2:1 (horizontal to vertical). As excavation work occurs, protection of the excavation area from unauthorized entry will be maintained
12. The excavation areas will be completed to the lateral limits indicated in [Figure 5-1](#). The lateral limits represented in [Figure 5-1](#) are the bottom (black line) and top (red line) of the excavation sidewall. The excavation lateral limits will not be expanded beyond these limits unless confirmation samples identify soil concentrations above cleanup levels. All lateral expansion of excavations will be approved by the ANG Program Manager.
13. After the excavation is finished, confirmation sampling will be performed in accordance with [Section 5.4](#). If sidewall confirmation sampling indicates that the COC concentrations in residual soil are below cleanup levels, the excavation area is considered complete. If sidewall confirmation sampling indicates that COCs in residual soil are above the cleanup levels, additional excavation work will be

performed followed by confirmation sampling until the cleanup level is not exceeded.

14. When the excavation work is finished, the excavation area will be surveyed by a Licensed New York State Surveyor. The survey will include the final lateral limits of the excavation area (ERM will determine the vertical extent) relative to site features as well as a calculation for the bank volume of soil removed per excavation area. The survey will also include soil confirmation sample locations. The excavation area will be backfilled in accordance with [Section 5.7](#). Until the excavation area can be backfilled, the excavation area will be protected to prevent unauthorized entry.
15. Prior to backfilling, residual treatment will occur by placement of ORM in the base of the excavation areas, as detailed in [Section 5.5.3](#).

## **5.4 Confirmation Sampling**

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The objective of confirmation sampling is to evaluate the lateral and vertical extent of excavation necessary to accomplish remedial goals. Soil confirmation samples will be collected to evaluate whether soil adjacent to excavations has been impacted by COCs at concentrations greater than the established cleanup goals for the site. Cleanup levels required for soil are presented on [Table 3-1](#).

### **5.4.1 Excavation Confirmation Sampling Frequency**

Once impacted soil is removed in accordance with IRA Work Plan specifications, confirmation sampling will be performed at the excavation floors and sidewalls to verify that sufficient impacted soil has been removed to meet cleanup goals.

For ERP Site 15, soil confirmation samples will be collected from excavation sidewalls and from the excavation floors. All soil sampling locations will be staked, photo-documented, and surveyed as outlined in [Section 5.3.2](#). As per the requirements of NYSDEC DER-10 Section 5.4(a)2.iii., confirmation soil samples will be collected from the excavation sidewalls at 50-foot linear intervals, and for every 1,200 square feet or greater at the bottom of the excavation. Sidewall samples will be obtained at the midpoint of the area of excavated impacted soil.

#### **5.4.2 Excavation Confirmation Sampling Methods**

ERM's on-site representative will obtain the required confirmation samples by either entering the excavation or by having the on-site equipment obtain the required sample. Determination of the appropriate sampling methodology will be based on the excavation depth and appropriate entry into excavations as determined by OSHA protocol.

Soil samples will be collected by manually pushing pre-cleaned stainless-steel sampling utensils into the soil. Each excavation confirmation sample will be assigned a unique sample identification number that will include the excavation designation and sample location.

All field sampling equipment will be decontaminated before and after use, in accordance with NGB/A7CVR protocols. Wash water and other fluids generated during decontamination will be put into containers and disposed of properly.

#### **5.4.3 Confirmation Sampling Analysis**

The results of the confirmation sampling will determine if further excavation or product removal is required (re-excavation, followed by additional confirmation sampling) or if excavation work can be terminated. Discrete soil samples collected from ERP Site 15 will be analyzed for VOCs (including benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes [BTEX]) using EPA Method 8260B.

#### **5.4.4 Profiling of Excavated Soil**

Discrete samples will be collected from the stockpiled soil approximately every 500 cubic yards to determine the material is suitable for re-use. Stockpiled samples will be collected using methods outlined [Section 5.4.2](#). Stockpiled soils will be analyzed for BTEX compounds using EPA Method 8260B.

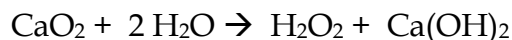
### **5.5 Treatment of Residual Contamination**

#### **5.5.1 Chemical Oxidation and Oxygen Release**

PermeOx® Plus or the chemical equivalent has been the selected remedial alternative to treat the residual impacts in soil at the bottom of the

excavations at Site 15. PermeOx® Plus or the chemical equivalent increases the level of oxygen in the soil and allows natural attenuation to be enhanced by increasing microbe activity in the digestion of the BTEX compounds.

The PermeOx® Plus or the chemical equivalent to be used for residual treatment is an engineered calcium peroxide (CaO<sub>2</sub>). The PermeOx® Plus reaction with water (H<sub>2</sub>O) is as follows:



For every mole of CaO<sub>2</sub> mixed with two moles of water, a mole of oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>) and a mole of calcium hydroxide (Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub>) are produced.

### **5.5.2 Application of Oxygen-Releasing Material into Excavated Areas**

Based on discussions with a product vendor who used the given excavation bottom areas and known concentrations of BTEX in the soil, the following volumes of PermeOx® Plus or the chemical equivalent is to be applied within each excavation area:

- Excavation Area A – 2,880 pounds of PermeOx® Plus or the chemical equivalent
- Excavation Area B – 960 pounds of PermeOx® Plus or the chemical equivalent
- Excavation Area C – 960 pounds of PermeOx® Plus or the chemical equivalent

PermeOx® Plus or the chemical equivalent consists of a powdered, flour-like material and is typically packed in 25-gallon drums, each containing 100 pounds. The powdered PermeOx® Plus or the chemical equivalent will be mixed with water to create a slurry mix for application in the excavated areas. The slurry will be continually mixed with a heavy-duty power mixer in an appropriately sized plastic tank, while not allowing it time to harden and become unusable. The mixed slurry will then be applied evenly to the floor of each excavation utilizing a transfer pump. A paddle, in addition to the heavy-duty power mixer, will be used to scrape the bottom and sides of the tank to ensure complete mixing of the slurry prior to use.



## 5.6 Stormwater Management

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The site is generally surrounded by flat asphalt and concrete surfaces. Rainwater runoff is directed via surface flow into on-site catch basins, which subsequently connect with Onondaga County storm water pipes. During all soil remediation activities, stormwater management will be performed such that the water quality objectives of the stormwater system are not compromised. The stormwater management requirements are summarized below.

- The stockpile/lay down area will be maintained such that fluids do not exit the area. The contractor is responsible for constructing the stockpile area to achieve this requirement. Stockpiled materials in the stockpile area are assumed to be impacted. Sediment runoff created by stormwater runoff from the stockpiles into catch basins will not be allowed. Therefore, until the stockpiles are removed, the contractor will prevent any flow of sediment and non-visible pollutants from the stockpiles into the catch basins. It is anticipated that this will be accomplished by covering the stockpiles with plastic sheeting. If plastic sheeting is used, it will be securely fastened so wind does not blow it away and cause a nuisance. Other examples of stormwater best management practices (BMPs) anticipated to be used around the stockpile area are straw wattles, silt fencing, and straw bales.
- The routes between the excavation work area and the stockpile area, and the on-site transportation route to the entry/exit gate will be cleaned, as needed, so that dust is not a problem and runoff into catch basins does not occur. Direct wash-down of streets into catch basins will not be allowed. Street sweepers that use small amounts of water may be used.
- The catch basins in the immediate work areas and along all routes will be protected with a BMP that prevents silt and sediment from entering the catch basin, such as a catch basin insert.
- No fuels or bulk products will be stored on site during the project. When the ORM phases of the project occur, the ORM will be stored away from catch basins and will be covered and maintained such that rainwater cannot come into contact with the ORM.

- The contractor will include in the health and safety tailgate meetings periodic training for employees addressing proper implementation of stormwater BMPs.

## **5.7 Backfilling and Restoration of Excavated Areas**

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Available data suggests that 2 to 4-feet (approximately 870 cubic yards) of “clean” soil overlies affected soil in Areas A and B. Excavated soil that appears to be “clean” will be temporarily staged and characterized by laboratory analysis prior to use as backfill as detailed in [Section 5.4.4](#). The effectiveness of the IRA effort will be evaluated through collection and laboratory analysis of confirmation soil samples from the excavation walls and floor as detailed in [Section 5.4.2](#).

### **5.7.1 Backfill and Restoration Requirements**

The excavated area will be restored to its pre-existing condition subsequent to completion of backfilling activities. Excavated “clean” soil approved for use as backfill by NYSDEC will be used to backfill the excavation. Additional backfill soil material similar in geotechnical composition to the on-site material will be imported to the Site by the Contractor as necessary for emplacement into the excavated area. Staging of imported backfill material will be in the stockpile/lay down areas designated on [Figure 5-2](#). Any imported backfill will be obtained from an approved clean source and will be free of extraneous debris. Contractor will provide ERM with delivery tickets and/or bills of lading to document the source(s) of any imported backfill are clean.

### **5.7.2 Backfilling of Excavations**

Backfill will be placed in the excavation areas in eight-inch loose lifts using a bulldozer, excavator, and/or rubber-tired grader. Each lift will be compacted to a minimum of 95% standard proctor density (ASTM-D-698) prior to installation of the next lift. During construction, the contractor shall use a third-party geotechnical firm, and all tests and observations will be performed by qualified geotechnical technicians. The third-party geotechnical firm will submit a compaction report, prepared by a registered geotechnical engineer, to ERM.

### **5.7.3 Surface Area Restoration**

The excavation areas will be backfilled to the pre-existing grade. The uppermost one-half foot of backfill will consist of screened brown topsoil (consistent with typical existing topsoil texture and thickness at the Site). Formerly grassy portions of the backfilled areas will be seeded and covered with straw. .

## SECTION 6.0

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## ***TRANSPORTATION AND DISPOSAL PLAN***

This section details the procedures and contractor requirements for transportation of impacted soil generated from the excavation activities during the project.

Per ANG policy on remediation-derived waste (*CEV 05-1- Policy on Air National Investigation or Remediation Derived Waste (IDW/RDW) Management*, ANG, 2005), the contractor will be responsible for all costs regarding the profiling, manifesting, transportation, and disposal/recycling of all wastes generated during the project.

### **6.1 Off-Site Transportation of Impacted Soil**

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Off-site transportation is the selected disposal method, non-hazardous petroleum-affected impacted soil materials will require off-site transportation. The mode of off-site transportation will depend on the material and the ultimate destination of the material. [Section 5.3](#) details the excavation work that will produce the impacted materials requiring off-site transportation. Transportation of the excavated soil will be performed concurrently with the excavation phase of the project.

#### **6.1.1 Destination of Waste Material**

##### *6.1.1.1 Debris*

The surface of the excavation areas consists of concrete and grass; therefore, excavation work will periodically generate concrete debris. Debris may also be mixed with the subsurface soil. In this case, the debris will be excavated with the soil so the excavation area can be finished. As feasible, the contractor will segregate debris based on material type. It is anticipated that the debris will mainly include concrete with some scattered asphalt. Segregated concrete and asphaltic debris can be scattered at the bottom of the excavation as per previous soil source removal actions at Site 15.

#### 6.1.1.2 Soil

All impacted soil removed from the excavation areas will be transported off site and disposed of in accordance with NYSDEC regulations. The contractor will select the off-site landfill and provide ANG with copies of the landfill's permits for operation.

Furthermore, the contractor is responsible for coordinating with the landfill the sampling frequency necessary to characterize/profile the soil for disposal. The sampling frequency will include the number of samples per stockpiled volume of soil, and the laboratory analyses necessary. The contractor will be responsible for verifying that all soil and wastes transported and disposed of off site meet landfill requirements.

#### **6.1.2 Mode of Transportation and Routes**

The impacted soil will be transported in dump trucks licensed to operate on public streets and highways, and carry waste loads as generated by this project. The trucks will be driven by appropriately licensed operators. Between the site and the selected off-site recycling facility or landfill, the trucks will be operated either on public or private roads, and will follow all applicable State and Federal laws.

#### **6.1.3 Loading, Route, and Traffic Control**

After the impacted soil are properly profiled and the off-site recycling facility or landfill has authorized acceptance of the material, impacted soil will be directly loaded onto the dump trucks in the excavation areas outlined in [Figure 5-2](#). The dump trucks will then be tarped and will follow the on-site transportation route from Site 15 to the entry/exit gate. Any residual soil and debris that may be spilled during loading will be consolidated back into the excavation area. Washing of spilled materials into catch basins will not be permitted. The contractor will use street-cleaning equipment as appropriate to maintain a clean route between Site 15 and the entry/exit gate.

Adjacent to Site 15, and between Site 15 and the entry/exit gate, active operations will be occurring. The contractor will respect all on-site traffic rules and will coordinate traffic plans and controls with the ANG guards. Barricades, signs, and delineators will be used to control proper flow of truck traffic during the project.

#### **6.1.4 Recordkeeping**

The contractor will maintain a daily record of quantities of all impacted soil transported off site. The daily record will be maintained on site and available for review. The daily record will also include name of trucking company for each truckload:

- Weigh ticket showing the weight of impacted soil load; and
- Waste Manifest.

Waste manifests for each truckload will be prepared by the contractor. The contractor will coordinate with the Base Environmental Manager to sign the manifests prior to off-site transportation.

#### **6.1.5 Contingency Plan**

The contractor will verify that the trucking company has an emergency contingency program in place for all roadway shipments of materials. A summary of the general procedures for addressing accidental releases during truck shipments is presented below.

- In the event of an accident, the truck driver, or other first responder, will assess the potential for immediate threat to workers and people on or nearby the accident and take appropriate corrective steps to rectify the problem and notify local emergency agencies.
- After identifying the problem (approximate size of spill, type of material, potential immediate threat to human health or the environment), the first responder will notify the ANG as well as the truck hauler's responsible person.
- For contaminated material spilled onto the ground surface along a transportation route, cleanup would probably consist of collection and disposal of the contaminated soil at a disposal facility. All cleanup work will be done in accordance with a site-specific HASP and in cooperation with appropriate state and local agencies.

For accidental releases of contaminated material in or near a stream, river, or lake, the same general response procedures will apply, with particular emphasis on preventing the spilled waste material from entering into the water body. In the event of an actual release of contaminated material into a body of water, all work will be coordinated with State and local

agencies to select practical and appropriate cleanup methods based on specific circumstances of the release.

## SECTION 7.0

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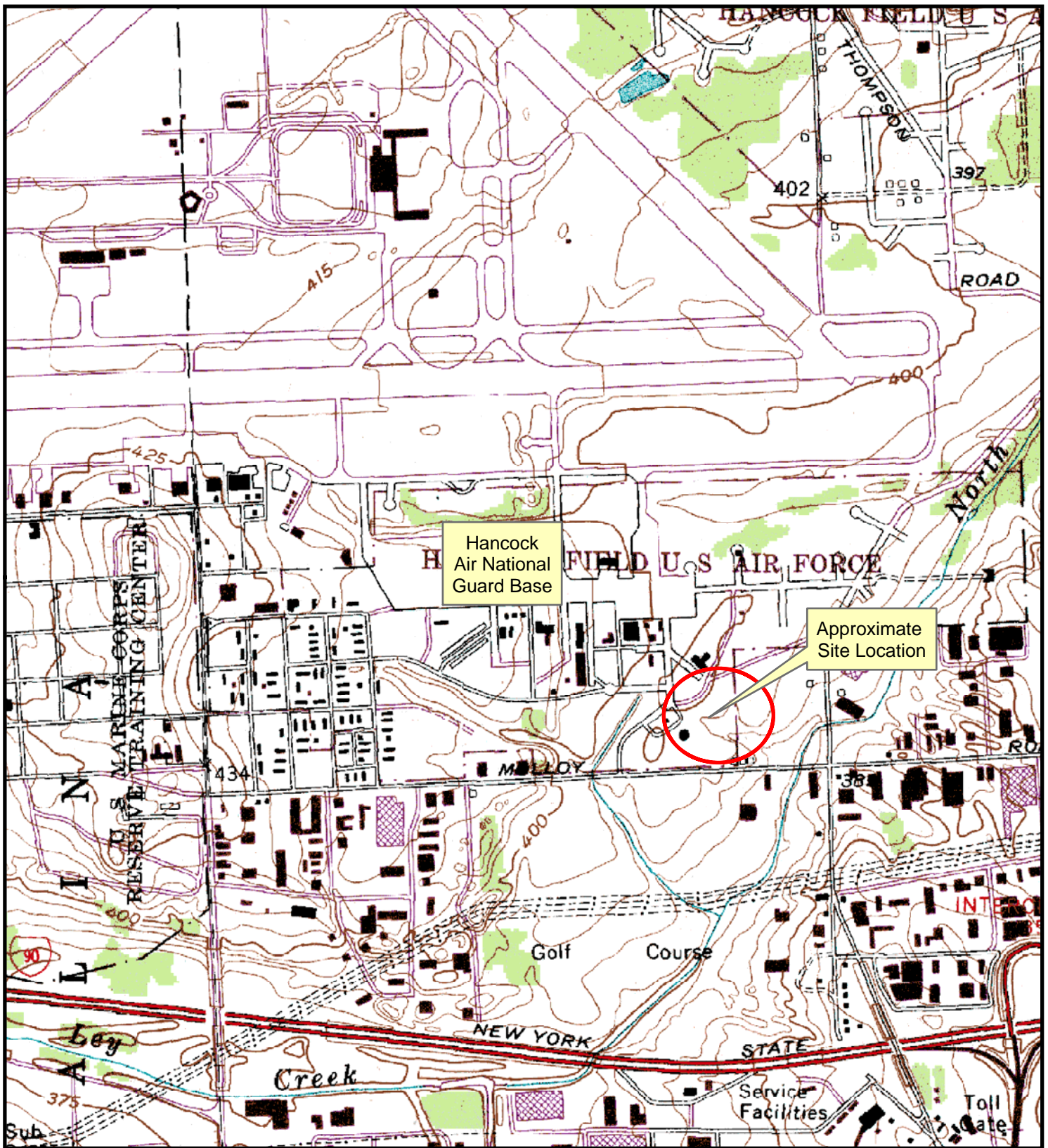
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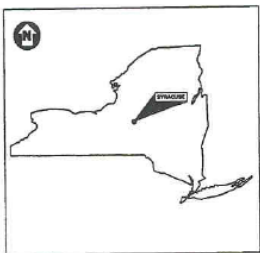


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### Legend



Site 15 Source Area  
Soil Removal



Air National Guard Base  
Property Outline (Note:  
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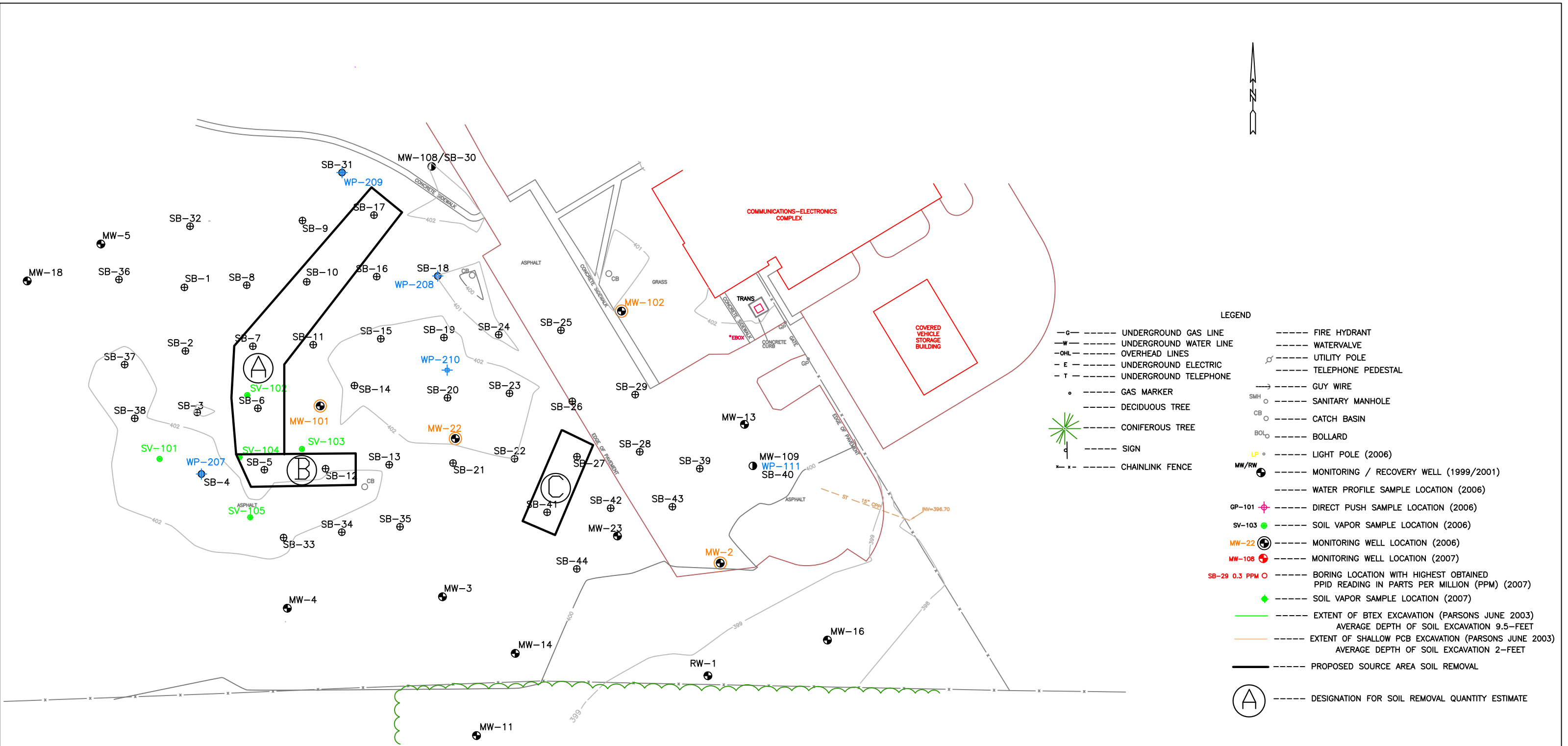


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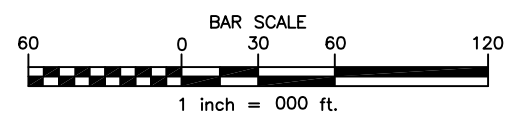
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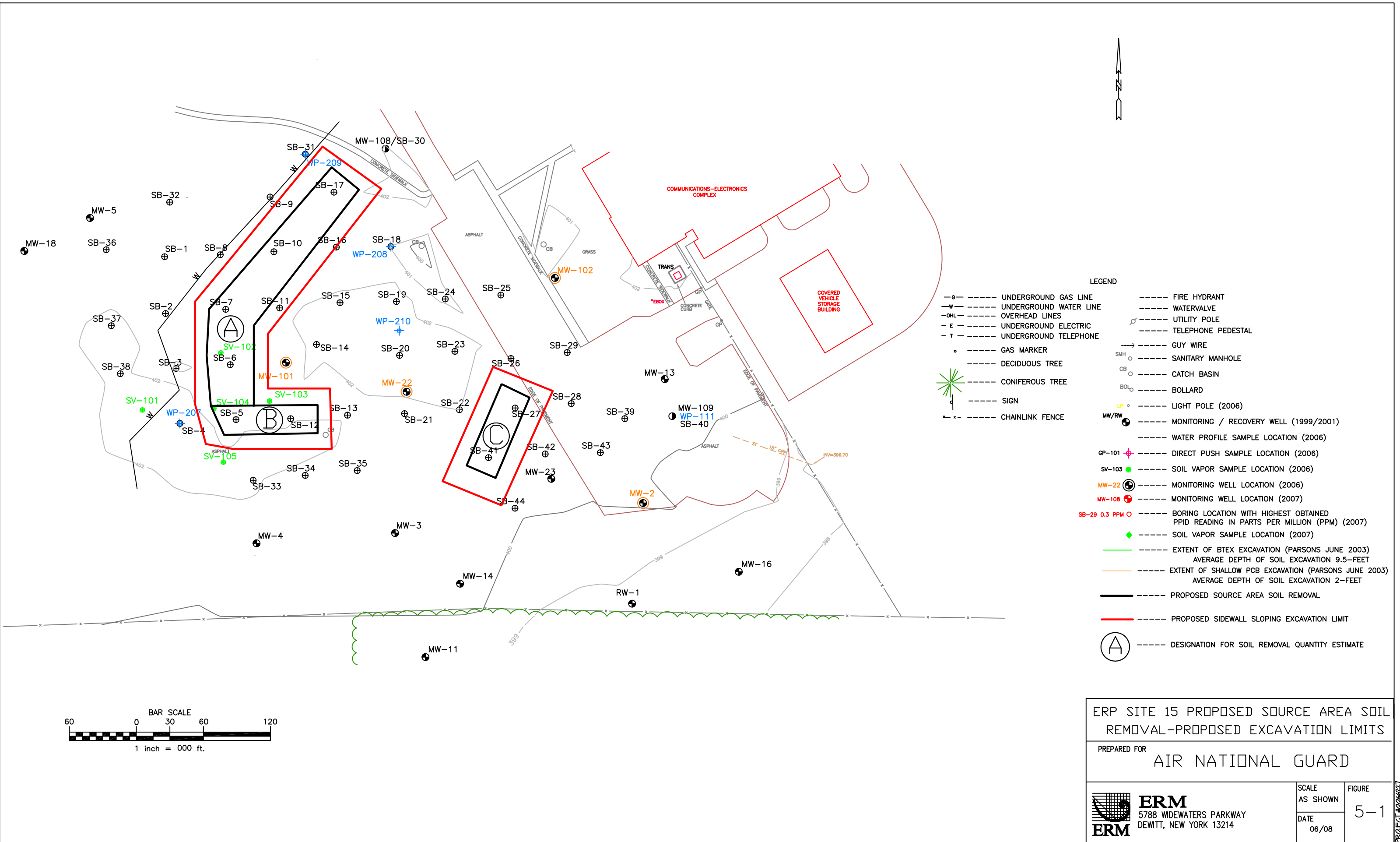




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| —OHL— | OVERHEAD LINES         | —             | UTILITY POLE   |
| —E—   | UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC   | —             | TELEPHONE PEDESTAL   |
| —T—   | UNDERGROUND TELEPHONE  | —             | GUY WIRE   |
| •     | GAS MARKER             | SMH           | SANITARY MANHOLE   |
| —     | DECIDUOUS TREE         | CB            | CATCH BASIN  |
| —     | CONIFEROUS TREE        | BOL           | BOLLARD  |
| —     | SIGN                   | LP            | LIGHT POLE (2006)  |
| —x—   | CHAINLINK FENCE        | MW/RW         | MONITORING / RECOVERY WELL (1999/2001)   |
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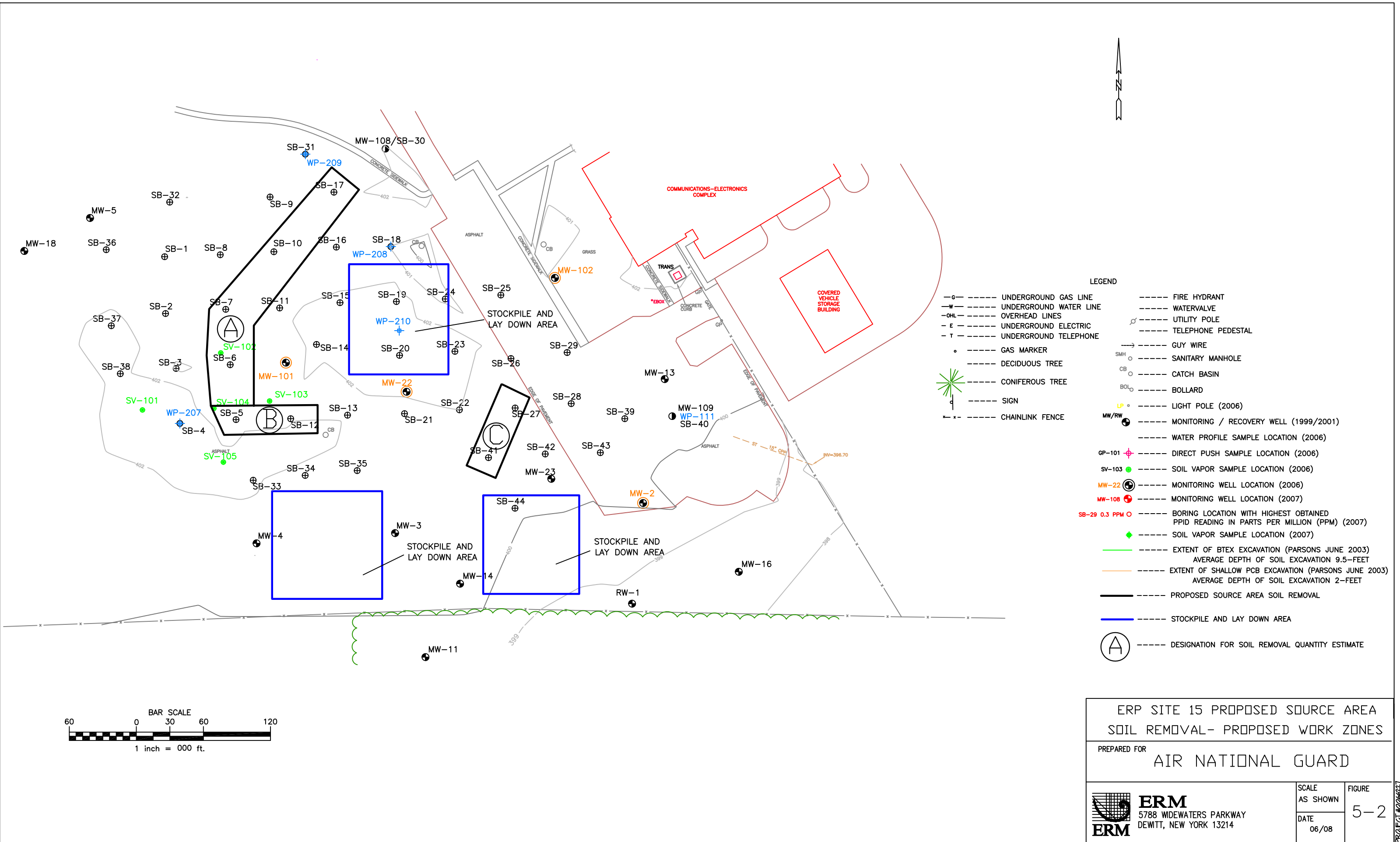
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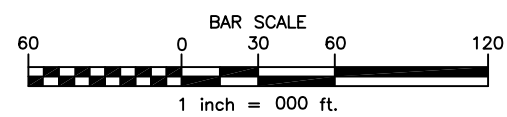
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| —W—   | UNDERGROUND WATER LINE | —             | WATERVALVE  |
| —OHL— | OVERHEAD LINES         | —             | UTILITY POLE  |
| —E—   | UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC   | —             | TELEPHONE PEDESTAL  |
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ERP SITE 15 PROPOSED SOURCE AREA SOIL REMOVAL- PROPOSED WORK ZONES	
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**Table 3-1**  
***Chemical Constituents Detected in Vadose Zone Soil***  
***Aug-07***  
***ERP Site 15***  
***174th Fighter Wing, New York Air National Guard***  
***Syracuse, New York***

Location	Depth (ft)	Date Sampled	Benzene	Ethyl- benzene	Toluene	Total Xylenes
SB-3	7.0	8/6/2007	<20	<20	<20	<20
SB-4	7.0	8/6/2007	<10	<10	<10	<10
SB-10	3.0	8/6/2007	<b>670</b>	<b>25,000</b>	<600	<b>90,000</b>
SB-22	6.0	8/7/2007	<200	<200	<200	<200
SB-24	7.5	8/7/2007	<10	<10	<10	<10
SB-27	7.0	8/7/2007	<600	<600	<600	1,300
SB-31	2.5	8/8/2007	<10	<10	<10	<10
SB-34	6.0	8/8/2007	<10	<10	<10	<10
SB-36	6.5	8/8/2007	<10	<10	<10	<10
SB-41	4.5	8/9/2007	<700	<700	<700	790
<b>Cleanup Level</b>			60.00	1,000	700	1,600

**Notes & Key:**

**Bold** = Result exceeds noted Cleanup Level.

All concentrations reporting in micrograms per kilogram.

Cleanup level = NYSDEC Part 375-6.8(b) RSCO for Protection of Groundwater.

ft = Feet

## APPENDIX A



### *QUALITY ASSURANCE PROJECT PLAN*

**Environmental Restoration Program  
Final Quality Assurance Project Plan  
Site 15 Source Area Soil Removal**

**174<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing  
New York Air National Guard  
Hancock Air National Guard Base  
Syracuse, New York**

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## LIST OF ACRONYMS

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<u>Acronym</u>	<u>Definition</u>
ANG	Air National Guard
NGB/A7CVR	Air National Guard/Installation Restoration Program Branch
AOC	Area of concern
ARAR	Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirement
ASTM	American Society for Testing and Materials
IRAWP	Interim Remedial Action Work Plan



SECTION 1.0

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*INTRODUCTION*

The below site description information was obtained from the Proposed Remedial Action Plan for Hancock Air National Guard Site 15 (Parsons 2004).

Site 15 is part of land used by the 174th Fighter Wing of the New York Air National Guard. The entire site located within the Air National Guard Base at Hancock Field directly adjacent to the Syracuse Hancock Airport. The Air National Guard facility at Hancock Field is bordered by the Town of Dewitt to the east and south, the Town of Salina to the west, and the Town of Cicero to the north. Syracuse International Airport is located directly to the north of the Air National Guard facility (Parsons 2004).

Site 15 is approximately 2.5 acres in area consisting of brush vegetation, wooded vegetation in the southern portion adjacent to Molloy Road, a large concrete pad, a bermed area where a 215,000-gallon aboveground tank was formerly located, and two drainage swales. One drainage swale borders the site on its north-northeast side, and a second drainage swale is located along the west side of the site. The drainage swales contain water only intermittently following storm events. Water within the drainage swales does not appear to be hydraulically connected to underlying groundwater (Parsons 2004).

Several site structures were removed as part of a removal action for PCB-impacted soils. The foundation of the former pump house and associated underground structures, consisting of six underground tanks, three drainage sumps, and an oil-water separator were recently removed. Additionally, a transformer pad adjacent to the southeast side of the former pump house was removed (Parsons 2004).

ERM's approach to performing an Interim Remedial Action (IRA) for the ANG is to first understand the nature of the problem from a regulatory and technical perspective, and most importantly from the ANG's risk management perspective. If previous investigations have been conducted, we refine our understanding through review of the existing data and findings. This enables us to identify any data gaps that may exist and evaluate the appropriateness of current ongoing activities and planned

actions. Evaluation of existing site data identifies data gaps critical to supporting the desired remedial strategy for the site, and field investigation fills those gaps. ERM's systematic approach to addressing site investigation emphasizes planning, analysis, and integration of engineering data requirements to facilitate efficient selection of the appropriate remedy.

## **1.2 Installation Restoration Program**

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The purpose of this source area soil removal is to implement the selected remedial alternative of excavation and off-site disposal at the Environmental Restoration Program (ERP) Site 15. Previous remedial investigations have presented data that indicates specific volatile organic compounds (VOCs) have exceeded Recommended Soil Cleanup Objectives (RSCOs) for the protection of groundwater established in Part 375 by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). These VOCs include benzene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes. Residual petroleum (sheen) was also observed on water following agitation testing in soil samples screened at PID readings of 628 ppm and greater. This residual sheen classifies the soil as "grossly contaminated". The NYSDEC requires remediation of "grossly contaminated soil" during source removal actions. The presence of this mass of residual petroleum in soil overlying groundwater would have a significant negative effect on the effectiveness of planned future groundwater remediation.

ERM has prepared a Interim Remedial Action Work Plan (IRAWP) for Environmental Restoration Program (ERP) Site 15 at the Hancock Air National Guard Base in Syracuse, New York. This IRAWP was prepared for the Air National Guard (ANG) ERP under Contract DAHA92-01-D-0005. The Air National Guard/Environmental Restoration Program Branch (NGB/A7CVR) is providing program management services for the project. BB&E Consultants are providing technical and project management oversight on behalf of the ANG.

The purpose of the IRAWP is to implement the selected remedial alternative of excavation and off-site disposal at ERP Site 15 of the Hancock ANGB. Site 15 Source Area Soil Removal locations are presented in Figure 3-1 of the Work Plan.

Due to operations that occurred at the site, certain site soils became impacted with identified constituents of concern (COCs) at ERP Site 15.

These COCs include benzene, ethylbenzene, xylenes, and other petroleum hydrocarbons.

Analytical results for COCs identified in site soil revealed concentrations above NYSDEC RSCOs for the protection of groundwater scenario. The presence of COCs above these screening criteria suggests a potential risk to human health and the environment is present in the source area soil and the presence of this affected soil above the groundwater table would likely have a negative impact on the effectiveness of the planned groundwater remediation involving treatment only in the saturated zone.

The objective of the removal action is to remediate soil impacted with COCs to below the proposed NYSDEC RSCOs. Using the protection of groundwater standard as the cleanup goals will significantly decrease the potential risk to human health and the environment, and will allow the planned groundwater remediation involving treatment only in the saturated zone to be more effective.

The implementation of this remedy includes:

- Profiling of the excavated impacted soil;
- Excavation of approximately 2,000 cubic yards of impacted soil followed by confirmation sampling;
- Transportation and off-site disposal of the impacted soil;
- Treatment of residual contaminants within the excavated areas using an oxygen-releasing material (ORM); and
- Excavation backfill and site restoration.

SECTION 2.0

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*PROJECT ORGANIZATION*

ERM shall maintain and use a project management system capable of tracking scheduled tasks, and percentage of individual tasks completed. This schedule shall present the timing of events and deliverables necessary to complete this project. ERM shall streamline the schedule, conducting as many activities concurrently as is technically feasible. The schedule shall be based on a work break down structure that corresponds to the breakdown of tasks in this SOW. The initial approved schedule by the HQ ANG PM shall not be modified and shall remain as the baseline for which to compare the progress of activities. A current schedule shall be updated as the schedule changes caused by new requirements or activity slippage. The most current timeline shall be submitted in the progress report every month.

## SECTION 3.0

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**PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES****3.1 Installation Restoration Program**

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This Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) was prepared for the Work Plan for the Hancock Air National Guard Site 15. It is intended to set forth guidelines for the generation of reliable data by measurement activities, such that data generated are scientifically valid, defensible, comparable and of known precision and accuracy.

This QAPP contains a detailed discussion of the quality assurance (QA) and quality control (QC) protocols to be utilized by Environmental Resources Management (ERM) and laboratory personnel, as well as a project description, and project organization and responsibilities.

**3.2 Definitions**

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The parameters that will be used to specify data quality objectives (DQO), and to evaluate the analytical system performance for all analytical samples are precision, accuracy, representativeness, completeness and comparability (PARCC). Definitions of these and other key terms used in this QAPP are provided below.

- Accuracy - the degree of agreement of a measurement with an accepted reference value. Accuracy is generally reported as a percent recovery, and calculated as:

$$\frac{\text{Measured Value}}{\text{Accepted Value}} \times 100$$

- Analyte - the chemical or property for which a sample is analyzed.
- Comparability - the expression of information in units and terms consistent with reporting conventions, the collection of data by equivalent means or the generation of data by the same analytical

method. Aqueous samples will be reported as µg/l and solid samples will be reported in units of mg/kg, dry weight.

- Completeness - the percentage of valid data obtained relative to that which would be expected under normal conditions. Data are judged valid if they meet the stated precision and accuracy goals.
- Duplicate - two separate samples taken from the same source by the same person at essentially the same time and under the same conditions that are placed into separate containers for independent analysis. Duplicate samples are intended to assess the effectiveness of equipment decontamination, the precision of sampling efforts, the impacts of ambient environmental conditions on sensitive analyses (e.g., volatile organics analysis (VOA)), and the potential for contaminants attributable to reagents or decontamination fluids. Identifying such potential sources of error is essential to the success of the sampling program and the validity of the environmental data. Each QC sample is described below. As a minimum, each set of ten or fewer field samples will include a trip blank (TB), a duplicate and one sample collected in a sufficient volume to allow the laboratory to perform a matrix spike.
- Field Blanks – field blanks (FB) (sometimes referred to as “equipment blanks” or “sampler blanks”) are the final analyte-free water rinse from equipment decontamination in the field and are collected at least once during a sampling episode. If analytes pertinent to the project are found in the FB, the results from the blanks will be used to qualify the levels of analytes in the samples. This qualification is made during data validation. The FB is analyzed for the same analytes as the sample that has been collected with that equipment.
- Precision - a measure of the agreement among individual measurements of the sample property under prescribed similar conditions. Precision is generally reported as Relative Standard Deviation (RSD) or Relative Percent Difference (RPD). Relative standard deviation is used when three or more measurements are available and is calculated as:

$$RSD = \frac{\text{Standard Deviation}}{\text{Arithmetic Mean}} \times 100$$

Relative percent difference is used for duplicate measurements and is calculated as:

$$RPD = \frac{\text{Value 1} - \text{Value 2}}{\text{Arithmetic Mean}} \times 100$$

- Quality Assurance (QA) - all means taken in the field and inside the laboratory to make certain that all procedures and protocols use the same calibration and standardization procedures for reporting results; also, a program which integrates the quality planning, quality assessment, and quality improvements activities within an organization.
- Quality Control (QC) - all the means taken by an analyst to ensure that the total measurement system is calibrated correctly. It is achieved by using reference standards, duplicates, replicates, and sample spikes. Also, the routine application of procedures designed to ensure that the data produced achieve known limits of precision and accuracy.
- Replicate - two aliquots taken from the same sample container and analyzed separately. Where replicates are impossible, as with volatile organics, duplicates must be taken.
- Representativeness - degree to which data represent a characteristic of a set of samples. The representativeness of the data is a function of the procedures and caution utilized in collecting and analyzing the samples. The representativeness can be documented by the relative percent difference between separately collected, but otherwise identical sample volumes.
- Trip Blanks (TB) - trip blanks are samples that originate from analyte-free media taken from the laboratory to the sampling site and returned to the laboratory with the volatile organic samples. One TB should accompany each sampling shipment containing volatile organics; it will be stored at the laboratory with the samples, and analyzed with the sample set. TBs are only analyzed for volatile organic compounds (VOCs).

### **3.3 Overall Data Quality Objectives**

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Data Quality Objectives (DQO) are quantitative and qualitative statements specifying the quality of the environmental data necessary to support the decision-making process to guide the Work Plan and any subsequent

corrective actions. DQO define the total uncertainty in the data that is acceptable for each activity. This uncertainty includes both sampling error and analytical error. Ideally, the prospect of zero uncertainty is the objective; however, the very processes by which data are collected in the field and analyzed in the laboratory contribute to the uncertainty of the data. It is the overall objective to keep the total uncertainty to a minimal level such that it will not hinder the intended use of the data.

As discussed above, the parameters that will be used to specify data quality requirements and to evaluate the analytical system performance for the samples are PARCC. The overall objectives are established such that there is a high degree of confidence in the measurements.

### **3.4 Field Investigation Data Quality Objectives**

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In order to permit calculation of precision and accuracy for the sampling media, blind field duplicate samples will be collected, analyzed and evaluated.

Through the submission of field QC samples, the distinction can be made between laboratory problems, sampling technique considerations, sample matrix effects, and laboratory artifacts. To assure media sample representativeness, all sample collection will be performed in strict accordance with the procedures set forth in this QAPP.

Precision will be calculated as RPD if there are only two analytical points and percent relative standard deviation (% RSD) if there are more than two analytical points. Blind field duplicate sample analyses will provide the means to assess precision.

Representativeness will be assured through the implementation of the structured and coherent Work Plan building characterization and pre-sampling location inventory of which this QAPP is a part. This Work Plan has been designed so that the appropriate numbers of samples of each location of interest are obtained for analysis.

Ideally, 100% completeness is the goal. However, it must be recognized that unforeseen issues may result in the generation of some data that may not be acceptable for use. Therefore, a completeness target of 90%, as determined by the total number of usable data points versus the total number of data points measured, will be the realistic goal of this program.



Comparability is defined as the extent to which data from one data set can be compared to similar data sets. Comparability between data sets is often questionable due to issues such as different analytical methods used or inter-laboratory differences. In order that the data generated as part of this project remain comparable to any previously generated data or data to be generated in the future, currently published analytical methods have been identified for the analysis of the collected samples. An analytical laboratory with a demonstrated proficiency in the analysis of similar samples by the referenced methods will perform these methods. In addition, samples will be collected using documented procedures to ensure consistency of effort and reproducibility if necessary.

### **3.5 Laboratory Data Quality Objectives**

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The analytical laboratory will demonstrate analytical precision and accuracy by the analysis of various QC samples (i.e., laboratory duplicates, spike samples, matrix spike duplicates and laboratory control samples). Precision, as well as instrument stability, will also be demonstrated by comparison of calibration response factors from the initial calibration to that of the continuing calibrations. Laboratory accuracy will be evaluated by the addition of surrogate and matrix spike compounds, and will be presented as percent recovery (%R). Precision will be presented as RPD, % RSD, or percent difference (%D), whichever is appropriate for the number and type of QC samples analyzed. Laboratory blanks can also be used to demonstrate the accuracy of the analyses and possible effects from laboratory artifact contamination.

## SECTION 4.0

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***PROJECT ORGANIZATION AND RESPONSIBILITY***

While all personnel involved in an investigation and in the generation of data are implicitly a part of the overall project management and QA program, certain members of the Project Team have specifically designated responsibilities. Project Team members with specific management and quality assurance roles in the Work Plan are the ERM Project Director (PD), the ERM Project Manager (PM), the ERM Field Team Leader (FTL) and the ERM Quality Assurance Officer (QAO). In the following sections, the roles and responsibilities of key personnel are identified.

**4.1 ERM Project Director**

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The ERM Project Director (PD), Mr. Geof Moss, will oversee the ERM PM and be responsible for all technical aspects of the project, including the overall quality of the project and project deliverables for ERM. Mr. Moss is responsible for ensuring the successful completion of each project phase and the project as a whole. Mr. Moss has extensive experience with the management and coordination of multi disciplinary environmental field investigation and remedial projects in throughout the United States.

**4.2 ERM Project Manager**

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The ERM Project Manager (PM), Mr. David W. Myers, C.G., will report to the ERM PD. Mr. Myers will oversee the ERM QAO and the ERM FTL, field investigation staff, and any subcontractors. Mr. Myers will also be responsible for all technical aspects of the project for ERM. This includes scheduling, communicating to the PD, technical development and review of all field activities, subcontracting, and the overall quality of the project and project deliverables for ERM. Mr. Myers has extensive experience in the management and coordination of multi disciplinary field investigation and remedial projects in New York State.

### 4.3 ERM Quality Assurance Officer

The ERM Quality Assurance Officer (QAO), Ms. Melissa McGinness, will report to the ERM PM. Ms. McGinness will have overall responsibility for QA/QC review of all analytical data generated during the field investigation, data validation and qualification of analytical results in terms of data usability. Ms. McGinness has extensive analytical laboratory experience and experience in the validation of analytical data and the protocols and QC specifications of the analytical methods and the data validation guidance, USEPA Contract Laboratory Program National Functional Guidelines for Organic and Inorganic Data Review and USEPA Region II Data Review SOPs.

### 4.4 ERM Field Team Leader

The ERM Field Team Leader (FTL), Mr. Robert Sents, will report to the ERM PM and the RPMs. Mr. Sents will be responsible for the day-to-day management and coordination of ERM field staff and subcontractors. Mr. Sents will be responsible for the implementation and quality of the field activities. Mr. Sents has extensive environmental field investigation/subcontractor oversight experience in New York State.

The following table summarizes the Personnel Information on this project and also provides contact information.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Company</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Telephone Number</i>
Edward Hinchey	Project Director (PD)	ERM	5788 Widewaters Pkwy Dewitt, New York 13214	(315) 445-2554
David W. Myers	Project Manager (PM)	ERM	5788 Widewaters Pkwy Dewitt, New York 13214	(518) 461-8936
Melissa McGinness	Quality Assurance Officer (QAO)	ERM	5788 Widewaters Pkwy Dewitt, New York 13214	(315) 445-2554
Robert Sents	Field Team Leader (FTL)	ERM	5788 Widewaters Parkway Dewitt, New York 13214	(315) 445-2554

## SECTION 5.0

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***FIELD QUALITY ASSURANCE/QUALITY CONTROL*****5.1 Equipment Maintenance**

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In addition to the laboratory analyses conducted during the course of this Work Plan, sampling locations will be screened with a photo-ionization detector (PID) prior to sample collection to preliminarily assess the presence of VOCs. If groundwater sampling is required at the existing wells, groundwater field tests for various parameters will be performed using a Horiba U-22 prior to sample collection. In addition, an interface probe will be used at groundwater sampling locations at existing wells to determine the presence or absence of non-aqueous phase liquid (NAPL).

A maintenance, calibration, and operation program will be implemented to ensure that routine calibration and maintenance is performed on all field instruments. ERM's equipment manager ERM's Field Team Leader, the Quality Assurance Officer (QAO) and the field team members will administer the program. ERM's equipment manager will perform the scheduled monthly and annual calibration and maintenance. Monthly and annual maintenance, calibration and equipment operation will follow the procedures outlined in the manufacturer's Operation and Field Manuals accompanying the respective instruments.

**5.2 Equipment Calibration**

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Trained field team members will be familiar with the field calibration, operation, and maintenance of the equipment. They will perform field calibrations, checks, and instrument maintenance daily. A trained team member will perform daily field checks and instrument maintenance prior to use. A trained team member using standard calibration gas will calibrate the PID. Field maintenance, calibration and equipment operation will follow the procedures outlined in the manufacturer's Operation and Field Manuals accompanying the respective instruments. All maintenance

and calibration will be documented on an instrument-specific calibration/maintenance form.

The Field Team Leader (FTL) will be responsible for keeping a master instrument calibration/maintenance form for each measuring device. Each form will include at least the following relevant information:

- Name of device and/or instrument calibrated;
- Device/instrument serial and/or identification (I.D.) number;
- Frequency of calibration;
- Date of calibration;
- Results of calibration;
- Name of person performing the calibration; and
- Identification of the calibration standards.

In lieu of a form, this information may be recorded in the field logbook.

### **5.3 Equipment Decontamination**

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In order to minimize the potential for cross-contamination, all sampling equipment will be properly decontaminated prior to and after each use. Sampling equipment decontamination protocol will be performed according to Section 2.8 – Decontamination of Equipment – on pages 2-24 and 2-25 of the Environmental Restoration Program Air National Guard Investigative Guidance dated July 2005.

#### **5.3.1 General Procedures**

If hazardous material is encountered, all heavy equipment will be decontaminated in a designated clean area. If equipment and probes have a visible sheen or discernable odor after sampling, they will be decontaminated in an area covered by plastic near the sampling location and all solvents and wash water used in the decontamination process will be collected and drummed for off-site disposal. All disposable sampling equipment will be properly disposed of in dry containers.

Extraneous contamination and cross-contamination will be controlled by wrapping the sampling equipment with aluminum foil when not in use and changing and disposing of the sampler's gloves between samples. Decontamination of sampling equipment will be kept to a minimum in the field, and wherever possible, dedicated sampling equipment will be used. Personnel directly involved in equipment decontamination will wear appropriate protective equipment.

### **5.3.2 Heavy Equipment**

All excavation equipment will be visually inspected to determine no hazardous or potentially hazardous material is being transported on-site. If cleaning is required, the excavation equipment will be decontaminated by alconox and potable water rinse, cleaning prior to performance of the excavation activities. This will include all hand tools and other related tools and equipment.

All water used during excavation and/or cleaning operations will be from a potable source. The excavation contractor is responsible for obtaining all permits from the local potable water purveyor and any other concerned authorities. The equipment will be cleaned to the satisfaction of ERM Field Staff.

### **5.3.3 Air Sampling Equipment**

If required, factory prepared Summa canisters will be used during all soil vapor sampling activities performed under the Work Plan. In the event that field decontamination of reusable sampling equipment is necessary, decontamination procedures will be as follows:

- Laboratory-grade glassware detergent and tap water scrub to remove visual contamination;
- Generous tap water rinse;
- Distilled and deionized (American Standard for Testing of Materials (ASTM) Type II) water rinse;
- 10% nitric acid rinse, followed by a distilled and deionized water rinse (metals only), or
- Methanol (pesticide grade) rinse (volatiles only);
- Total air dry; and

- Distilled and deionized water rinse.

Since dedicated new lengths of polyethylene tubing will be used for sampling, the tubing will not be decontaminated. A laboratory certified clean Summa canister and certified clean regulator will be used for each sampling location.

Prior to preparing each sampling location, the reusable equipment will be decontaminated as follows:

- Potable water rinse;
- Alconox detergent and potable water scrub;
- Potable water rinse;
- Distilled/deionized water rinse; and
- Wrap in aluminum foil, shiny side facing out.

#### **5.3.4 Groundwater Sampling Equipment**

Factory pre-cleaned disposable bailers will be used during the groundwater sampling. In the event that field decontamination of reusable sampling equipment is necessary, decontamination procedures will be as follows:

- Laboratory-grade glassware detergent and tap water scrub to remove visual contamination;
- Generous tap water rinse; and
- Distilled and deionized (ASTM Type II) water rinse;
- 10% nitric acid rinse, followed by a distilled and deionized water rinse (metals only), or
- Methanol (pesticide grade) rinse (volatiles only);
- Total air dry; and
- Distilled and deionized water rinse.

### **5.3.5 Meters and Probes**

All meters and probes that are used in the field will be decontaminated between uses as follows:

- phosphate-free laboratory detergent solution;
- tap water;
- alconox rinse (at the FTL's discretion if deemed necessary); and
- deionized water (triple rinse).

## **5.4 Quality Assurance/ Quality Control Sampling**

Specific guidance regarding the collection of field and laboratory QA/QC samples is presented separately below.

### **5.4.1 Field QA/QC Samples**

#### **Trip Blanks**

If applicable, the trip blank will be used to determine if any cross-contamination occurs between aqueous samples during shipment if applicable. Trip blanks will be supplied by the analytical laboratory as aliquots of distilled, deionized water that will be sealed in a sample bottle prior to initiation of each day of fieldwork. Glass vials (40 ml) with Teflon®-lined lids will be used for trip blanks. The sealed trip blank bottles will be placed in a cooler with the empty sample bottles and will be shipped to the site by the laboratory personnel. If multiple coolers are necessary to store and transport aqueous VOC samples, then each cooler must contain an individual trip blank. Trip blanks will not be collected in conjunction with the air samples.

#### **Field Blanks**

If applicable, field blanks will be collected to evaluate the cleanliness of aqueous sampling equipment, sample bottles and the potential for cross-contamination of samples due to handling of equipment, sample bottles and contaminants present in the air. Field blanks will be collected at a frequency of one per decontamination event for each type of sampling equipment (e.g., a groundwater bailer for groundwater) at a minimum of



one per equipment type and/or media per day. Field blanks will not be collected in conjunction with the air samples.

Field blanks will be collected prior to the occurrence of any analytical field sampling event by pouring deionized or potable water over a particular piece of sampling equipment and into a sample container. The analytical laboratory will provide field blank water and sample jars with preservatives for the collection of all field blanks. Glass jars will be used for organic blanks. The field blanks as well as the trip blanks will accompany field personnel to the sampling location. The field blanks will be analyzed for the same analytes as the environmental samples being collected that day and will be shipped with the samples taken.

Field blanks will be taken in accordance with the procedure described below:

- Decontaminate sampler using the procedures specified in the QAPP;
- Pour distilled/deionized water over the sampling equipment and collect the rinse water in the appropriate sample bottles;
- The sample will be immediately placed in a sample cooler and maintained at a temperature of 4°C until receipt by the laboratory; and
- Fill out sample log, labels and COC forms, and record in field notebook.

#### Temperature Blanks

If applicable, the laboratory will use an infrared instrument to measure the temperature of liquid samples.

### **5.4.2 Laboratory QA/QC**

#### Blind Field Duplicate Samples

Blind field duplicate samples for soil and groundwater (if applicable) will be collected and analyzed to check laboratory reproducibility of analytical data. Blind field duplicate samples will be collected at a frequency of 5% (one out of every 20 samples) of the samples collected to evaluate the precision and reproducibility of the analytical methods. If 20 samples are not collected at each site, one blind field duplicate sample will be collected for each sampled media (soil and groundwater (if applicable)). The 5% duplicate frequency is applied to the sampling method (i.e. soil and

groundwater) rather than the total sample number. All blind field duplicate samples will be submitted to the analytical laboratory as normal samples; however, the sample will have a traceable, fictitious sample identification and fictitious time of sample collection. Each blind field duplicate will be cross-referenced to document which actual sample it is in the field notes and on the master sample log.

#### Matrix Spike/Matrix Spike Duplicate

Additional environmental sample volume will be collected for use as MS/MSD samples at a frequency of at least 5% (one out of every 20 samples) of the total number of samples collected to evaluate the precision and reproducibility of the analytical methods. To ensure the laboratory has sufficient volume for MS/MSD analysis, triple sample volume must be submitted for aqueous organic extractable and volatile samples once per every 20 samples in a sample delivery group (SDG). MS/MSD samples will not be collected in conjunction with the air samples.

## **5.5 Field Records**

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Proper management and documentation of field activities is essential to ensure that all necessary work is conducted in accordance with the Work Plan and QAPP in an efficient and high quality manner. Field management procedures include following proper chain of custody (COC) procedures to track a sample from collection through analysis, noting when and how samples are split (if necessary), making regular and complete entries in the field logbook, and the consistent use and completion of field management forms. Field management forms and the field logbook will be used to document all field activities as this documentation will support that the samples were collected and handled properly, making the resultant data complete, comparable and defensible. Field logbook procedures and field management forms are identified in the following sections.

### **5.5.1 Field Logbook**

The sample team or individual performing a particular sampling activity will keep a weatherproof field notebook. Field notebooks are intended to provide sufficient data and observations to enable participants to reconstruct events that occurred during projects and to refresh the memory of the field personnel if called upon to give testimony during legal proceedings. In a legal proceeding, notes, if referred to, are subject

to cross-examination and are admissible as evidence. The field notebook entries should be factual, detailed, and objective. All entries are to be signed and dated. All members of the field investigation team are to use this notebook, which will be kept as a permanent record. The field notebook will be filled out at the location of sample collection immediately after sampling. It will contain sample descriptions including: sample number, sample collection time, sample location, sample description, sampling method used, daily weather conditions, field measurements, name of sampler, and other site-specific observations. The field notebook will contain any deviations from protocol and why, visitor's names, community contacts made during sampling, geologic investigation activities, and other site-specific information which may be noteworthy.

### **5.5.2 Field Management Forms**

In addition to maintenance of a field logbook, the use of field management forms will supplement field logbook entries for all field activities associated with this project. Field management forms provide a regular format to record the relevant information for a particular field activity. Use of these forms will ensure that the field team consistently and completely records all pertinent data relative to a particular field activity on a regular basis. All forms, sample labels, custody seals and other sample documents will be filled out completely.

A list of the forms and the associated activities for which each form could potentially be completed is presented in the table below.

<u>Form</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Appendix</u>
Daily Field Report	Every day of field activity.	Appendix A
Daily Instrument Calibration Log	Every day a field instrument is used.	Not Applicable
Soil Sampling Record	All soil confirmation sampling locations.	Appendix B
Groundwater Sampling Record	All groundwater sampling locations.(if applicable)	Appendix C
COC Forms	All field sampling efforts.	Appendix D

## **5.6 Sample Preparation and Custody**

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### **5.6.1 Sample Identification**

In order to provide for proper identification in the field and proper tracking in the laboratory, all samples must be labeled in a clear and consistent fashion using the procedures and protocols described below and within the following subsections.

- Sample labels will be waterproof and have a pre-assigned, unique number that is indelible.
- Field personnel must maintain a field notebook. This notebook must be water resistant with sequentially numbered pages. Field activities will be sequentially recorded in the notebook.
- The notebook, along with the COC form, must contain sufficient information to allow reconstruction of the sample collection and handling procedure at a later time.
- Each sample will have a corresponding notebook entry which includes:
  - Sample ID number;
  - Sample location;
  - Date and time;
  - Analysis for which sample was collected;
  - Additional comments as necessary; and
  - Sampler's name.
- Each sample must have a corresponding entry on a COC manifest.
- The manifest entry for sampling at any one location is to be completed before sampling is initiated at any other location by the same sampling team.

- In cases where the samples leave the immediate control of the sampling team (i.e., shipment via common carrier) the shipping container must be sealed.

Each sample collected will be designated by an alphanumeric code that will identify the Site and a specific sample designation (identifier). The Site identification number will be “ANG”.

The specific sampling designation (identifier) will be identified using an alphanumeric sub-code; groundwater sample identifiers will be consecutive numbers for temporary points, or if collected from an existing monitoring well, the identifier will be the well designation. Soil confirmation sample identifiers will have an alphanumeric sub-code “SC” and a number prefix 01 through 05 in the order of sample collection. For example:

- ANG-MW-1 for designated monitoring wells;
- ANG-TP-01 for temporary monitoring wells; and
- ANG-SC-01 for soil confirmation samples.

In the case of QC samples such as blind field duplicate samples, the nomenclature will be as follows:

- ANG-SC-DUP(date) for soil confirmation duplicate samples.
- ANG-GW-XX-DUP(date) for groundwater samples.
- The “XX” will be replaced with a consecutive numeric code if more than one duplicate sample will be collected during any particular day.
- Six digits will be used to represent the date (e.g., DUP080105 would represent a duplicate collected on 1 August 2008).

#### **5.6.2 Sample Containers**

- The analytical laboratory will provide all containers for soil confirmation and if applicable, groundwater sample collection.
- The vials and containers will be inspected and certified clean by the laboratory prior to shipping. All sample canisters will be handled carefully so that the canisters are not inadvertently compromised and will be handled carefully so they do not break or the preservatives are not spilled.

The table below lists the analyses, preservative added, number of containers and container size for samples to be collected.

Analyses For:	Method Number	Preservative	Number of Containers	Container Size/type	Sample Holding Time
BETX & MTBE (GW)	EPA 8260	HCL	2	40 ml/VOA	14 days
BTEX & MTBE (Soil)	EPA 8260	None	1	8-ounce amber	14 days

### **5.6.3 Sample Preservation**

Once soil confirmation and if applicable, groundwater samples have been collected, they will be sealed in a waterproof container and placed in a pre-cooled container and held at a temperature of not more than 4°C.

#### Sample Holding Time

- All samples will be shipped the same day they are collected to the analytical laboratory. Any exceptions will be documented in the field logbook and proper preservation techniques will be followed.
- The samples must be analyzed within specified holding times. See above table.
- The analytical laboratory will be a New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) ELAP-certified laboratory and conform to meeting specifications for documentation, data reduction and reporting. The laboratory will follow all method specifications pertaining to sample holding times contained in the NYSDEC Analytical Services Protocol (ASP) revised 2000 and/or as prescribed by the specific analytical method.

#### Sample Custody

COC - The primary objective of the sample custody procedures is to create an accurate written record that can be used to trace the possession and handling of all samples from the moment of their collection, through analysis, until their final disposition. All field-sampling personnel will adhere to proper sample custody procedures because samples collected during an investigation could be used as evidence in litigation. Therefore,

possession of the samples must be traceable from the time each sample is collected until it is analyzed at the laboratory.

*Custody Transfer to Field Personnel* – The field personnel will maintain custody of samples collected during this investigation. All field personnel are responsible for documenting each sample transfer and maintaining custody of all samples until they are shipped to the laboratory. COC records will be completed at the time of sample collection and will accompany the samples inside the cooler or shipping box for shipment to the selected laboratory.

Each individual who has the samples in their possession will sign the COC record. Preparation of the COC record is as follows:

- For each sample, the person collecting the sample will initiate the COC record in the field. Every sample will be assigned a unique identification number that is entered on the COC Record (see Section 5.6.1 above).
- The record will be completed in the field to indicate project, sampling team, etc.
- If the person collecting the sample does not transport the samples to the laboratory or deliver the sample containers for shipment, the first block for Relinquished By \_\_\_\_\_, Received By \_\_\_\_\_ will be completed in the field.
- The person transporting the samples to the laboratory or delivering them for shipment will sign the record form as Relinquished By \_\_\_\_\_.
- If a commercial carrier ships the samples to the laboratory, the original COC record will be sealed in a watertight container and placed in the shipping container, which will be sealed prior to being given to the carrier. The carbonless copy of the COC record will be maintained in the field file.
- If the samples are directly transported to the laboratory, the COC will be kept in the possession of the person delivering the samples.
- For samples shipped by commercial carrier, the waybill will serve as an extension of the COC record between the final field custodian and the laboratory.

- Upon receipt in the laboratory, the Sample Custodian or designated representative will open the shipping containers, compare the contents with the COC record, and sign and date the record. Any discrepancies will be noted on the COC record.
- If discrepancies occur, the samples in question will be segregated from normal sample storage and the field personnel immediately notified.
- COC records will be maintained with the records for a specific project, becoming part of the data package.

*Custody Transfer to Laboratory* - All samples collected during the Work Plan will be submitted to a NYSDOH ELAP-certified laboratory meeting specifications for documentation, sample login, internal chain of custody procedures, sample/analysis tracking, data reduction and reporting. The laboratory will follow all specifications pertaining to laboratory sample custody procedures contained in the NYSDEC ASP (revised 2000).

In general, the following procedures will be followed upon sample receipt. The laboratory will not accept samples collected by project personnel for analysis without a correctly prepared COC record.

The first step in the laboratory receipt of samples is completing the COC records and project sample login form. The laboratory Sample Custodian, or designee, will note that the shipment is accepted and notify the Laboratory Manager or the designated representative of the incoming samples.

Upon sample receipt, the laboratory Sample Custodian, or designee, will:

Examine all samples and determine if samples have been compromised during shipment. If samples have been damaged during shipment, the remaining samples will be carefully examined to determine whether they were affected. Any affected samples will also be considered damaged. It will be noted on the COC record that specific samples were damaged and that the samples were removed from the sampling program. Field personnel will be notified as soon as possible that samples were damaged and that they must be resampled, or the testing program changed, and provide an explanation of the cause of damage.

- Compare samples received against those listed on the COC record.
- Verify that sample holding times have not been exceeded.
- Sign and date the COC record and attach the waybill to the COC record.



Denote the samples in the laboratory sample log-in book which contains the following information:

- Project identification number.
- Sample numbers.
- Type of samples.
- Date received in laboratory.
- Record of the verified time of sample receipt (VTSR).
- Date put into storage after analysis is completed.
- Date of disposal.

The last two items will be added to the log when the action is taken.

- Notify the Laboratory Manager of sample arrival.
- Place the completed COC records in the project file.

The VTSR is the time of sample receipt at the laboratory. The date and time the Sample Custodian or designee logs in the samples will agree with the date and time recorded by the person relinquishing the samples.

#### **5.6.4 Sampling Packaging and Shipping**

Sample bottles or canisters will either be delivered/picked up at the site daily by the analytical laboratory, or delivered/shipped via overnight courier. Once the samples have been collected, proper procedures for packaging and shipping will be followed as described below.

##### **Packaging**

Prior to shipment, samples must be packaged in accordance with current United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) regulations. All necessary government and commercial carrier shipping papers must be filled out. The procedure below should be followed regardless of transport method:

- Check that all Summa canister and vial labels are complete.

- Remove previously used labels, tape and postage from the box or cooler.
- Groundwater samples will be wrapped in bubble pack and placed in dry plastic bags, which will then be tightly sealed. They will be placed in coolers and covered with ice that has been sealed in at least two watertight plastic bags.
- Affix an address and return address label to box or cooler.
- Be sure COC forms are complete.
- Separate and retain the sampler's copy of COC and keep with field notes.
- Tape paperwork (COC, manifest, return address) in zipper bag to the inside of sample package.
- Close package and apply signed and dated custody seal in such a way that the seal must be broken to open box or cooler.
- Securely close package with packing or duct tape.

### Shipping

Samples should arrive at the laboratory as soon as possible following sample collection to ensure that holding times are not exceeded. All samples must be hand delivered on the same day as sampling or sent via overnight courier. When using a commercial carrier, follow the steps below.

- Securely package samples and complete paperwork.
- Weigh package for air transport.
- Complete air bill for commercial carrier (air bills can be partially completed in office prior to sampling to avoid omissions in field). If necessary, insure packages.
- Keep customer copy of air bill with field notes and COC form.

- When packages have been released to transporter, call receiving laboratory and give information regarding samplers' names and method of arrival.
- Call the laboratory on the day following shipment to be sure all samples arrived intact. If samples have been compromised, locations can be determined from COC and resampled.

## **5.7 Analytical Laboratory**

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The data collected during the course of the Work Plan will be used to determine the presence and concentration of certain analytes in the soil.

Soil confirmation samples and if applicable, groundwater samples collected during the execution of the Work Plan will be submitted to Life Science Laboratories (LSL) located at 5854 Butternut Dr., East Syracuse, NY 13057.

## **5.8 Analytical Test Parameters**

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Analytical test parameters are listed in the table included in Section 5.6.2 of this work plan.

## **5.9 Instrument Calibration**

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The frequency of laboratory instrument calibration and associated procedures for the specific analytical methods to be followed by the selected laboratory are specified in the individual USEPA analytical method procedures. The selected laboratory's calibration schedule will adhere to all analytical method specifications.

## SECTION 6.0

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## DATA MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING PLAN

### 6.1 Data Use and Management Objectives

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#### Data Use Objectives

The typical data use objectives for this Work Plan are:

- Ascertaining if there is a threat to public health or the environment.
- Locating and identifying potential sources of impacts to air, soil and groundwater.
- Delineation of soil vapor intrusion zone, identifying clean areas, and estimating the areal extent and/or volume of impacted soil and/or groundwater.

#### Data Management Objectives

The primary objective of proper data management is to ensure and document that all necessary work is conducted in accordance with the Work Plan and QAPP in an efficient and high quality manner thereby maximizing the confidence in the data in terms of PARCC. Data management procedures not only include field and laboratory documentation, but also include how the information is handled after the conclusion of field investigation and after laboratory analyses are completed. Data handling procedures include project file management, reporting, usability analysis (review and validation) and use of consistent formats for the final presentation of the data.

#### Project File Specifications

The ERM Project Manager in ERM's Syracuse, New York office location will keep all project information in a central Project File maintained. The Project File will be assigned a unique project number that will be clearly displayed on all project file folders (including electronic files). Electronic files will be maintained in a similarly organized Project File located on the

ERM Central Network system that is backed up on a weekly basis. Both hard copy and electronic Project Files will contain, at a minimum, copies or originals of the following key project information:

- All correspondence including letters, transmittals, telephone logs, memoranda, and emails;
- Meeting notes;
- Technical information such as analytical data, field survey results, field notes, field logbooks and field management forms;
- Project calculations;
- Subcontractor agreements/contracts and insurance certificates;
- Project-specific health and safety information/records;
- Access agreements;
- Project document output review/approval documentation; and
- Reports: Monthly Progress, Interim Technical and Draft/Final Technical.

## **6.2 Reporting**

### *Field Data*

Field data will be recorded and reported by field personnel using appropriate field data documentation materials such as the field logbook, field management forms and COC forms.

Good field management procedures include following proper COC procedures to track a sample from collection through analysis, noting when and how samples are split (if necessary), making regular and complete entries in the field logbook, and the consistent use and completion of field management forms. Proper completion of these forms and the field logbook are necessary to support the consequent actions that may result from the sample analysis. This documentation will support that the samples were collected and handled properly, making the resultant data complete, comparable and defensible.

### Laboratory Data

The analytical results of all samples collected as part of this project will be reported following NYSDEC ASP 2000 specifications. All laboratory analytical data will be reported as NYSDEC Category B deliverables. The Category B data deliverables include all backup QA/QC documentation necessary to facilitate a complete validation of the data.

In addition, NYSDEC “Sample Identification and Analytical Requirement Summary” and “Sample Preparation and Analysis Summary” forms will be completed and included with each data package. The sample tracking forms are specified and supplied by the 2000 NYSDEC ASP.

The laboratory will also transmit the analytical data in an electronic format to minimize the chances of transposition errors in summarizing the data. The data will be transmitted in an electronic data deliverable (EDD) in GISKey (most recent version) format and a PDF copy of each ASP deliverable.

## **6.3 Data Validation**

All field and laboratory data will be reviewed, validated and qualified as necessary to assess data usability by direct comparison to the specified DQOs and/or procedures set forth in this QAPP. Information that can be obtained includes comparison of results obtained from samples taken at the same location, and the identification of missing data points. Examination of the data at the end of the process allows for the assessment of data quality with respect to PARCC.

### Field Data Validation Protocol

Field data generated in accordance with the Work Plan will primarily consist of VOC concentrations of soil vapor samples and groundwater samples. This data will be validated by review of the project documentation to check that all forms specified in the Field Sampling Plan and this QAPP have been completely and correctly filled out and that documentation exists for the specified instrument calibrations. This documentation will be considered sufficient to provide that proper procedures have been followed during the field investigation.

Laboratory Data Validation Protocol

Data validation is the assessment of data quality with respect to method specifications and technical performance of the analytical laboratory. Analytical data packages will be examined to ensure that all specified lab components are included, all QA/QC specifications were performed or met, and the data use restrictions are well defined.

Summary documentation regarding QA/QC results will be completed by the laboratory using NYSDEC ASP forms and will be submitted with the raw analytical data packages (NYSDEC ASP Category B deliverables). The data review will evaluate data for its quality and usability. This process will qualify results so that the end user of the analytical results can make decisions with consideration of the potential accuracy and precision of the data. For example, the results are acceptable as presented, qualified as estimated and flagged with a "J", or rejected and not useable and therefore flagged with an "R".

ERM will utilize all guidance documents and/or criteria relying on the most comprehensive reference sources to perform the most complete validation possible.

The data validation process will provide an informed assessment of the laboratory's performance based upon contractual requirements and applicable analytical criteria. The report generated as a result of the data validation process will provide a base upon which the usefulness of the data can be evaluated by the end user of the analytical results.

During the validation process, it will be determined whether sufficient back-up data and QA/QC results are available so the reviewer may conclusively determine the quality of data support laboratory submittals for sample results. Each data package will be checked for completeness and technical adequacy of the data. Upon completion of the review, the reviewers will develop a QA/QC data validation report for each SDG.

For the organic parameter analyses, the following items or criteria will be reviewed:

- Case narrative and deliverable compliance.
- Holding times, both technical and procedural.
- Surrogate Compound recoveries, summary and data.

- Blank Spike Sample (BSS) recoveries.
- Method blank summary and data.
- Gas Chromatography (GC)/Mass Spectroscopy (MS) tuning and performance.
- Initial and continuing calibration summaries and data.
- Internal standard areas, retention times, summary and data.
- Blind Field Duplicate sample results.
- Organic analysis data sheets (Form I).
- GC/MS chromatograms, mass spectra and quantitation reports.
- Quantitation and detection limits.
- Qualitative and quantitative compound identification.

After the Summary Reports are prepared for each SDG, the validator will prepare a Data Usability Summary Report (DUSR). The DUSR will be prepared according to the guidelines established by Division of Environmental Remediation Quality Assurance Group and will review the following:

- Is the data package complete as defined under the requirements for the NYSDEC ASP Category B deliverables?
- Have all holding times been met?
- Do all the QC data, including blanks, instrument tunings, calibration standards, calibration verifications, surrogate recoveries, spike recoveries, replicate analyses, laboratory controls and sample data, fall within the protocol required limits and specifications?
- Have all of the data been generated using established and agreed upon analytical protocols?
- Does an evaluation of the raw data confirm the results provided in the data summary sheets and qualify control verification forms?
- Have the correct data qualifiers been used?



Once the data package has been reviewed and the above questions asked and answered, the DUSR proceeds to describe the samples and the analytical parameters. Data deficiencies, analytical protocol deviations and quality control problems are identified and their effect on the data is discussed. The DUSR shall also include recommendations on resampling/reanalysis. All data qualifications must be documented following the NYSDEC ASP '00 Rev. guidelines.

## **6.4 Data Presentation Formats**

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Project data will be presented in consistent formats for all letters, Monthly Progress Reports, Interim Technical Reports, and Draft/Final Technical Reports. Specific formats will be tailored to best fit the needs of the data being presented but general specifications are described below.

### Data Records

The data record will generally include one or more of the following:

- Unique sample or field measurement code;
- Sampling or field measurement location and sample or measurement type;
- Sampling or field measurement raw data;
- Laboratory analysis ID number;
- Property or component measured; and
- Result of analysis (e.g., concentration).

### Tabular Displays

The following data will generally be presented in tabular displays:

- Unsorted (raw) data;
- Results for each medium or for each constituent monitored;
- Data reduction for statistical analysis;
- Sorting of data by potential stratification factors (e.g., location, soil layer/depth, topography, etc.); and
- Summary data.

Graphical Displays

The following data will be presented in graphical formats (e.g., bar graphs, line graphs, area or plan maps, isopleth plots, cross-sectional plots or transects, three dimensional graphs, etc.):

- Sample locations and sampling grid;
- Boundaries of sampling area;
- Areas where additional data are necessary;
- Constituent concentrations at each sample location;
- Geographical extent of impacts;
- Constituent concentration levels, averages, minima and maxima;
- Changes in concentration in relation to distance from the source, time, depth or other parameters;
- Features affecting intramedia transport; and
- Potential receptors.

## SECTION 7.0

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***PERFORMANCE AUDITS*****7.1 Field Audits**

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During field activities, the QAO may accompany sampling personnel into the field to verify that the sampling program is being properly implemented and to detect and define problems so that corrective action can be taken. All findings will be documented and provided to the ERM Project Manager and FTL.

**7.2 Laboratory Audits**

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The NYSDOH ELAP CLP certified laboratory that has satisfactorily completed performance audits and performance evaluation samples will be used for all sample analysis. The results of the most recent performance audits and performance evaluations will be made available upon request.

**7.3 Corrective Actions**

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The NYSDOH ELAP CLP certified laboratory utilized for this project will meet the specifications for corrective action protocols typical for performing contract laboratory services. Laboratory corrective action may include instrumentation maintenance, methods modification, and cross-contamination/carry over issues, sample tracking practices, laboratory information management (LIMs), etc.

Prior to mobilization for the field investigation, a meeting may be scheduled among representatives of ERM and the laboratory to discuss a general corrective action approach and establish procedures to ensure good and timely communications among all parties during the investigation. New procedures will be put into effect as appropriate.

## SECTION 8.0

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**WASTE DISPOSAL PLAN****8.1 Investigative Derived Wastes**

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The following section describes the general protocol for handling and disposal of solid and liquid wastes generated during the Work Plan. Waste generated during the Work Plan is expected to consist of trash (boxes, paper, etc.), decontamination wash water, concrete dust/soil cuttings from excavation operations, and used PPE.

The following guidance documents and regulations may be relied upon to guide the management, staging and storage of any potential excavation derived waste materials and the off-site disposal of non-hazardous soils which will be transported to Ontario Landfill for use as daily cover.

- NYSDEC's RCRA TAGM #3028 on "Contained-In Criteria for Environmental Media" {November 30, 1992};
- 40 C. F. R. Part 262 (Standards Applicable to Generators of Hazardous Waste);
- 40 C. F. R. Part 263 (Standards Applicable to Transporters of Hazardous Waste);
- 40 C. F. R. Part 264 (Standards for Owners and Operators of Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facilities); and
- 40 C. F. R. Part 268 (Land Disposal Restrictions).

Accordingly, handling and disposal will be as follows:

- Liquids generated from contaminated equipment decontamination that exhibit visual staining; sheen; or discernable odors will be collected in drums or other containers at the point of generation. They will be stored in the staging area. A waste subcontractor will then remove the drums and dispose at an off-site location.

- Used protective clothing and equipment that is suspected to be contaminated with hazardous waste will be placed in plastic bags, packed in 55-gallon ring-top drums, and transported to the drum staging area.
- Liquid generated during well purging or decontamination activities that do not exhibit visible staining, sheen, or discernable odors will be discharged to an unpaved area on the Site, where it can percolate into the ground.
- Concrete dust will be collected in shop-vacuums and disposed of as non-regulated solid waste, unless PID readings or visual indications of contamination are noted during field operations.

## **8.2 Other Wastes**

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- Non-contaminated trash and debris will be placed in a trash dumpster and disposed of by a local garbage hauler.
- Non-contaminated protective clothing will be packed in plastic bags and placed in a trash dumpster for disposal by a local garbage hauler.

APPENDIX A



*DAILY FIELD REPORT FORM*

**ERM**  
**DAILY FIELD REPORT**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ JOB NO: \_\_\_\_\_  
TIME: (arrive) \_\_\_\_\_ (depart) \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_ ACTIVITY: \_\_\_\_\_  
FILED BY: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

FORMS ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT:

- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chain of Custody  | <input type="checkbox"/> Field Sampling Reports | <input type="checkbox"/> Subcontractor Invoice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shipping Manifest | <input type="checkbox"/> Equipment Charge       | <input type="checkbox"/> Injury Report         |

1. Significant work accomplished today?

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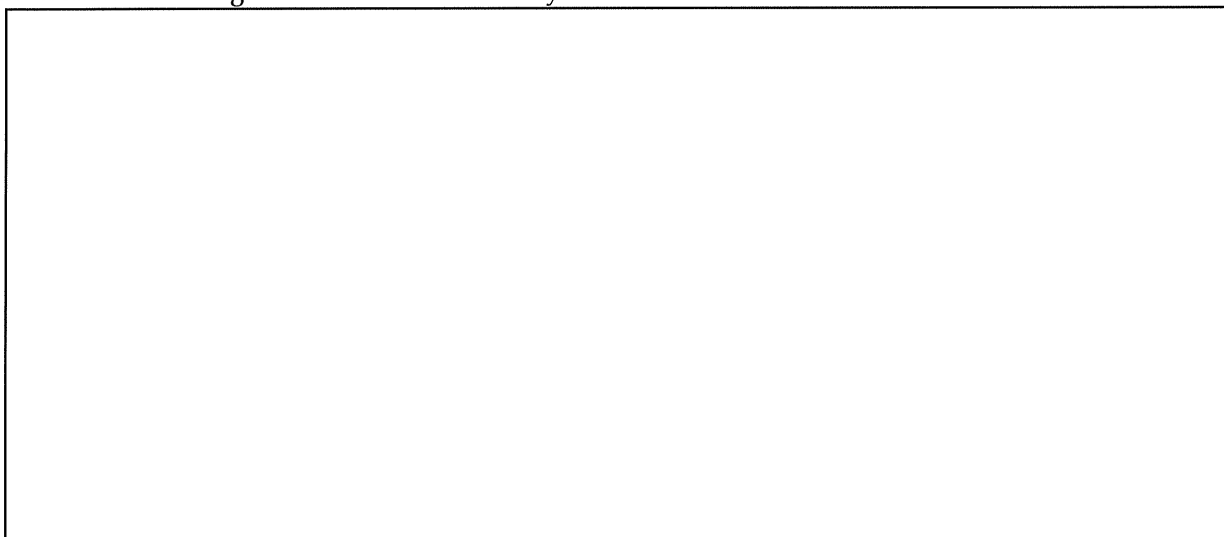
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Draw a sketch showing the location of site activity.



2. What field personnel and equipment were used today?

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## 3. What unusual events happened today?

Describe: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## 4. Was any property damaged?

YES

NO

Explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## 5. What were the weather conditions at the site?

Time of Observation: \_\_\_\_\_

Precipitation: \_\_\_\_\_

Ground moisture: \_\_\_\_\_

Skies: \_\_\_\_\_

Air Temperature: \_\_\_\_\_

Wind (direction and speed): \_\_\_\_\_

## 6. Were there any visitors to the site?

YES

NO

NAME - COMPANY - PURPOSE OF VISIT  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## 7. Were any photographs taken by ERM personnel?

YES

NO

Please detail location and description: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_8. Additional comments:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



**APPENDIX B**



***SOIL SAMPLING RECORD FORM***



**Environmental Resources Management**  
**5788 Widewaters Parkway**  
**Dewitt, New York 13214**  
Phone: (315) 445-2554  
Fax: (315) 445-2543

Project #:  
Project Name:  
Location:  
Project Manager:

Sample Location:		Collector(s):	
Address:			
PID Meter Used: (Model, Serial #)		Building No:	

**SUMMA Canister Record:**

INDOOR AIR (IA)		SOIL VAPOR (SV)		OUTDOOR SOIL GAS (OA)	
Canister Serial No.:		Canister Serial No.:		Canister Serial No.:	
Flow Controller Id No:		Flow Controller Id No:		Flow Controller Id No:	
Start Date/Time:		Start Date/Time:		Start Date/Time:	
Start Pressure: (inches Hg) <sup>1</sup>		Start Pressure: (inches Hg) <sup>1</sup>		Start Pressure: (inches Hg) <sup>1</sup>	
Stop Date/Time:		Stop Date/Time:		Stop Date/Time:	
Stop Pressure: (inches Hg) <sup>2</sup>		Stop Pressure: (inches Hg) <sup>2</sup>		Stop Pressure: (inches Hg) <sup>2</sup>	
Sample ID:		Sample ID:		Sample ID:	

**Other Sampling Information:**

PID Reading (ppm)		PID Reading (ppm) Room & as purged		PID Reading (ppm)	
Story/Level		Ground Surface (pavement, concrete, grass)		Depth of Vapor Probe	
Room		Slab thickness (if applicable)		Distance from Building	
Indoor Air Temp (°F)		Potential Vapor Pathways Observed?		Intake Height Above Ground Level (ft.)	
Intake Height Above Floor Level (ft.)		Noticeable Odor?		Intake Tubing used?	
Noticeable Odor?				Distance to nearest Roadway (ft.)	
Barometric Pressure ("Hg or mb)		Percent O <sub>2</sub> /CO <sub>2</sub> /CH <sub>4</sub>		Noticeable Odor?	
Duplicate Sample?		Duplicate Sample?		Duplicate Sample?	

**Comments:**

1 - Verify pressure did not decrease noticeably from laboratory reported value (QC limit is 0.029 psi over 24 hours). Project objective is a 3 psi decrease due to limited quality with laboratory supplied pressure gauges. Do not utilize Summa canister with greater than 3 psi pressure difference.

2 - If final pressure does not change much from initial pressure, send sample to lab regardless, however note HOLD on chain-of-custody (COC). Also note for the lab to determine the final pressure in-house and contact the ERM QA/QC coordinator.

If TICs are required they should be specifically requested on the COC (i.e. TO-15 + 10 TICs)

Verify project objectives in regards to holding time (HT) and inform laboratory on the COC if HT is 14 days and not the method suggested 30 days.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

APPENDIX C



*GROUNDWATER SAMPLING RECORD FORM*

# GROUND WATER SAMPLING RECORD

SITE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PROJECT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

SAMPLE ID : \_\_\_\_\_

WELL ID : \_\_\_\_\_

Time Onsite: \_\_\_\_\_

Time Offsite: \_\_\_\_\_

SAMPLERS : \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Depth of well (from top of casing) ..... \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Static water level (from top of casing) ..... \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Water level after purging (from top of casing) ..... \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Water level before sampling (from top of casing) ..... \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

## Purging Method:

## Well Volume Calculation:

1 volume

3 volumes

\_\_\_\_\_ Airlift \_\_\_\_\_ Low-Flow Pump

2 in. well: \_\_\_\_\_ ft. of water  $\times$  0.16 =

\_\_\_\_\_ gal.  $\times$  3 = \_\_\_\_\_ gal.

\_\_\_\_\_ Bailer \_\_\_\_\_ Peristaltic Pump

3 in. well: \_\_\_\_\_ ft. of water  $\times$  0.36 =

\_\_\_\_\_ gal.  $\times$  3 = \_\_\_\_\_ gal.

\_\_\_\_\_ Submersible \_\_\_\_\_ Ded. Pump

4 in. well: \_\_\_\_\_ ft. of water  $\times$  0.65 =

\_\_\_\_\_ gal.  $\times$  3 = \_\_\_\_\_ gal.

6 in. well: \_\_\_\_\_ ft. of water  $\times$  1.47 =

\_\_\_\_\_ gal.  $\times$  3 = \_\_\_\_\_ gal.

Volume of water removed:

\_\_\_\_\_ gal.

>3 volumes: yes \_\_\_\_\_

no \_\_\_\_\_

purged dry? yes \_\_\_\_\_

no \_\_\_\_\_

## Field Tests:

	pH	Cond.	Turb.	DO	Temp.	DEP	SAL	TDS	ORP
units	-	mg/cm	NTU	g/L	C F	-	-	g/L	mV
Initial									
1 Volume									
2 Volumes									
3 Volumes									

## Sampling

Time of Sample Collection: \_\_\_\_\_

### Collection Method:

\_\_\_\_\_ Disposable bailer

\_\_\_\_\_ Teflon bailer

\_\_\_\_\_ Dedicated pump

\_\_\_\_\_ Submersible Pump

\_\_\_\_\_ Low-Flow Sampling

\_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Analyses:

\_\_\_\_\_ VOCs -

\_\_\_\_\_ SVOCs

\_\_\_\_\_ Metals

\_\_\_\_\_ PCB/Pest

\_\_\_\_\_ MNA

\_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Analytical Method:

8260

503.1

Other \_\_\_\_\_

## Observations

Weather/Temperature: \_\_\_\_\_

Sample Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Free Product? yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_ describe \_\_\_\_\_

Sheen? yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_ describe \_\_\_\_\_

Odor? yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_ describe \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## APPENDIX D



### *CHAIN OF CUSTODY FORMS*



# Life Science Laboratories, Inc.

## CHAIN OF CUSTODY RECORD

LSL Central Lab  
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East Syracuse, NY 13057  
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Fax: (315) 445-1301  
Email: lsicentral@lsl-inc.com

LSL North Lab  
131 St Lawrence Ave  
Waddington, NY 13694  
Phone: (315) 388-4476  
Fax: (315) 388-4081  
Email: lsinfo@lsl-inc.com

LSL Finger Lakes Lab  
16 North Main Street  
Wayland, NY 14572  
Phone: (585) 728-3320  
Fax: (585) 728-2711  
Email: lsfl@lsl-inc.com

LSL Southern Tier Lab  
30 East Main Street  
Cuba, NY 14727  
Phone: (585) 968-2640  
Fax: (585) 968-0906  
Email: lsstl@lsl-inc.com

LSL MidLakes Lab  
699 South Main Street  
Canandaigua, NY 14424  
Phone: (585) 396-0270  
Fax: (585) 396-0377  
Email: lsml@lsl-inc.com

### Report Address:

Name:

Company:

Street:

City/State:

Phone:

Email:

Zip:

Fax:

### Client Project ID/Client Site ID

#### Client's Sample Identifications

Sample Date

Sample Time

Type grab/comp

Matrix

Preserv Added

Containers #

size/type

Analyses

Preserv Check

LSL ID #

### Turnaround Time

Normal

Pre-Authorized

14 DAY

Next Day\*

2-Day \*

3-Day \*

7-Day\*

\*Additional Charges may apply

### Date Needed or Special Instructions:

### Authorization or P.O. #

### LSL Project Number:

LSL use only:

### Custody Transfers

Sampled By:

Received By:

Relinquished By:

Received By:

Relinquished By:

Rec'd for Lab By:

Shipment Method:

Received Intact: Y N

Containers this C-O-C

Date

Time

Sample Temp

\*\*\* All areas of this Chain of Custody Record MUST be filled out in order to process samples in a timely manner IN PEN ONLY\*\*\*

Reg COC.XLS

## APPENDIX B



### *HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN*

**Environmental Restoration Program  
Final Health and Safety Plan  
Site 15 Source Area Soil Removal**

**174<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing  
New York Air National Guard  
Hancock Air National Guard Base  
Syracuse, New York**

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## LIST OF ACRONYMS

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<u>Acronym</u>	<u>Definition</u>
ANG	Air National Guard
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
COCs	Constituents of Concern
CRC	Contamination Reduction Corridor
CRZ	Contamination Reduction Zone
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
ERM	Environmental Resource Management
ERP	Environmental Restoration Project
FID	Flame Ionization Detector
HASP	Health and Safety Plan
IDLH	Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health
IRA	Interim Remedial Action
IRAWP	Interim Remedial Action Work Plan
IRP	Installation Restoration Plan
KV	Kilovolts
LEL	Lower Explosive Limit
MSDS	Material Safety Data Sheets
NGB/ A7CVR	Air National Guard/Environmental Restoration Program Branch
NFPA	National Fire Protection Agency
NIOSH	National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
NYS DEC	New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
ORM	Oxygen Releasing Material
PAH	Poly-nuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbon
PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
PID	Photo-ionization Detector
PPE	Personal Protective Equipment
RSCO	Recommended Soil Cleanup Objective
SCBA	Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus
SIC	Standard Industrial Classification
SVOC	Semi-volatile Organic Compound
TLV	Threshold Limit Value
TPH	Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons
UV	Ultraviolet
VOC	Volatile Organic Compound
WBGT	Wet Bulb Globe Temperature

## SECTION 1.0

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**INTRODUCTION****1.1 Purpose and Scope**

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This document is a site-specific Health and Safety Plan (HASP) for a source area non-hazardous soil removal as part of an Interim Remedial Action (IRA) for the Air National Guard (ANG) at Site 15 at Hancock Field in Syracuse, New York (Figure 1-1 of Work Plan). This plan describes rules and procedures that Environmental Resource Management (ERM) and subcontractor personnel will follow to perform their duties safely, competently, and in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local statutes and regulations. Nothing in this plan operates to relieve the contractor or its subcontractors of its responsibilities for the safety and health of its workers and compliance with this plan. Subcontractors are required to provide their own HASP, which must meet the requirements outlined in this HASP at a minimum.

This plan provides the health and safety guidance for protecting workers during operations governed by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) contained in the 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Section 1910.120. Managerial, professional, and technical personnel should use this plan as a guide to proper health and safety procedures while working at this ANG base. Please note: Since the material to be removed during this project is non-hazardous petroleum-affected soil, all work will be performed in modified Level D unless otherwise specified by the on-site Health and Safety officer. Specific work zones will be applicable if hazardous waste is encountered.

**1.2 Health and Safety Plan Overview**

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This Health and Safety Plan has the following objectives:

- Promote a safe and healthful work environment.
- Minimize the risk of human, environmental, and economic losses resulting from accidents.

- Comply with safety and health laws, regulations, and policies.
- Perform health and safety tasks efficiently.
- Satisfy ANG program needs.

Successful implementation of this plan requires cooperation between contractor personnel and ANG staff. All contractor personnel are expected to accept the responsibility to use all materials and equipment properly, to follow work procedures and rules, and to aid field supervisors in identifying and correcting unsafe conditions.

All ERM personnel are required to read and abide by this project specific HASP and sign a plan acceptance form ([Figure B1.1](#)). This form will be kept in the project files.

### **1.3 Hazard Identification**

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Unsafe and unhealthy conditions at Site 15 will be identified through one or more of the following:

- Investigating and observing work areas and work practices and looking for present or potential health and safety problems;
- Investigating work-related injuries and illness (or near-misses) to identify problems that need correction; and
- Evaluating worker suggestions or complaints.

This site-specific HASP includes the following sections:

- A description of the site and tasks to be performed;
- A description of the site or work area history;
- A route to the hospital;
- A site-specific or task-specific hazard assessment that includes identification and characterization of potential physical and chemical hazards;
- Monitoring requirements and establishment of exposure limits for specific chemical parameters;
- Personal protective equipment for each task;

- Work site safety requirements;
- Site control guidelines;
- Exposure precautions;
- Site entry guidelines;
- Decontamination guidelines;
- Waste handling and disposal guidelines;
- Contingency plans;
- Specific task guidelines (such as confined space entry);
- An approval statement;
- HASP acceptance forms; and
- Attachments.

This site-specific HASP is subject to review and approval by the site manager.

## **1.4 Project Work Scope Overview**

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ERM has prepared a Interim Remedial Action Work Plan (IRAWP) for Environmental Restoration Program (ERP) Site 15 at the Hancock Air National Guard Base in Syracuse, New York. This IRAWP was prepared for the ANG ERP under Contract DAHA92-01-D-0005. The Air National Guard/Environmental Restoration Program Branch (NGB/A7CVR) is providing program management services for the project. BB&E Consultants are providing technical and project management oversight on behalf of the ANG.

The purpose of the IRAWP is to implement the selected remedial alternative of excavation and off-site disposal at ERP Site 15 of the Hancock ANGB. Site 15 Source Area Soil Removal locations are presented in Figure 3-1 of the Work Plan.

Due to operations that occurred at the site, certain site soils became impacted with identified constituents of concern (COCs) at ERP Site 15. These COCs include benzene, ethylbenzene, xylenes, and other petroleum hydrocarbons.

Analytical results for COCs identified in site soil revealed concentrations above New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Recommended Soil Cleanup Objectives (RSCOs) for the protection of groundwater scenario. The presence of COCs above these screening criteria suggests a potential risk to human health and the environment is present in the source area soil and the presence of this affected soil above the groundwater table would likely have a negative impact on the effectiveness of the planned groundwater remediation involving treatment only in the saturated zone.

The objective of the removal action is to remediate soil impacted with COCs to below the proposed NYSDEC RSCOs. Using the protection of groundwater standard as the cleanup goals will significantly decrease the potential risk to human health and the environment, and will allow the planned groundwater remediation involving treatment only in the saturated zone to be more effective.

- The implementation of this remedy includes:
- Profiling of the excavated impacted soil;
- Excavation of approximately 2,000 cubic yards of impacted soil followed by confirmation sampling;
- Transportation and off-site disposal of the impacted soil;
- Treatment of residual contaminants within the excavated areas using an oxygen-releasing material (ORM); and
- Excavation backfill and site restoration.

## **1.5 Site Description**

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The below site description information was obtained from the Proposed Remedial Action Plan for Hancock Air National Guard Site 15 (Parsons, 2004).

Site 15 is part of land used by the 174th Fighter Wing of the New York Air National Guard. The entire site located within the Air National Guard Base at Hancock Field directly adjacent to the Syracuse Hancock Airport. The Air National Guard facility at Hancock Field is bordered by the Town of Dewitt to the east and south, the Town of Salina to the west, and the Town of Cicero to the north. Syracuse International Airport is located directly to the north of the Air National Guard facility (Parsons, 2004).

Site 15 is approximately 2.5 acres in area consisting of brush vegetation, wooded vegetation in the southern portion adjacent to Molloy Road, a large concrete pad, a bermed area where a 215,000-gallon aboveground tank was formerly located, and two drainage swales. One drainage swale borders the site on its north-northeast side, and a second drainage swale is located along the west side of the site. The drainage swales contain water only intermittently following storm events. Water within the drainage swales does not appear to be hydraulically connected to underlying groundwater (Parsons 2004).

Several site structures were removed as part of a removal action for PCB-impacted soils. The foundation of the former pump house and associated underground structures, consisting of six underground tanks, three drainage sumps, and an oil-water separator were recently removed. Additionally, a transformer pad adjacent to the southeast side of the former pump house was removed (Parsons 2004).

## **1.6 Site History**

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The petroleum storage area at Site 15 was constructed in 1951 and used until 1999 when it was decommissioned and a new petroleum storage area was constructed. When the area was actively used, it was the site of the Jet Fuel Transfer Pump house (Building 602), a 215,000-gallon AST, six 25,000 USTs, and equipment for transferring JP-4 to the tanks. In 1999, the pump house was demolished, the AST was cleaned and removed, and the USTs were cleaned and filled in place.

Three spills have reportedly occurred at the site:

- In the 1980s, PCBs were released, possibly from the transformers located in front of the pump house (Metcalf and Eddy (M&E), 1995).
- In April 1990, 3,850 gallons of JP-4 were released inside the pump house. Some of the fuel reportedly flowed out of the building (M&E, 1995).
- In June 1994, 150 gallons of JP-8 overflowed onto the ground from USTs under the northeast side of the building. The spill was reportedly contained with absorbent pads before it was able to exit through the drainage ditch on the east side of the site (M&E, 1995, and Aneptek, 1999).

Following the April 1990 release, contaminated surface soil was removed and the excavation area was backfilled with crushed stone. During cleanup, an oil-water separator and three area drainage sumps with PCB-contaminated sediment were discovered. The oil-water separator was installed in the 1950s, but was never connected to a holding tank. Product emptied into a drywell and eventually drained into the underlying soil. Spilled fuel had entered the sumps and mixed with the PCB-contaminated sediment, which is believed to have accumulated in the sumps before 1971 (M&E, 1995).



**FIGURE B1-1**

*Plan Acceptance Form – Project Health and Safety Plan*

**Plan Acceptance Form  
Project Health and Safety Plan**

(For ERM and subcontractor employees only)

I have read and agree to abide by the contents of the Work Plan and Health and Safety Plan for the following project:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Project Title)                      (Project Number)

Furthermore, I have read and am familiar with the work plan or proposal which describes the field work to be conducted and the procedures to be utilized in the conduct of this work.

Name (print)	Signature	Date
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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Place in project Health and Safety File as soon as possible.

## SECTION 2.0

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## ***PROJECT ORGANIZATION AND RESPONSIBILITY***

### **2.1 Organization**

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This section describes the responsibilities of all onsite personnel associated with the New York ANG at Hancock Field. Principal Contractor personnel associated with this project are listed in [Table B2.1](#).

### **2.2 Responsibilities**

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The Program Manager designates a Health and Safety Program Manager to establish and implement a Health and Safety Plan (HASP). The Program Manager and ANG shall review and approve this site-specific HASP. The Program Manager shall ensure that the Health and Safety Program Manager updates the plan annually, at a minimum. The Program Manager and the ANG must approve any revisions to this plan.

#### **2.2.1 Project Manager**

The Project Manager reports to the Program Manager, has authority to direct response operations, and assumes total control over project activities.

The Project Manager is responsible for the following:

- Obtaining permission for site access and coordinating activities with appropriate officials;
- Briefing the field teams on their specific assignments;
- Using the Program Health and Safety Manager and the Site Health and Safety Coordinator to ensure that safety and health requirements are met;
- Serving as the liaison with public officials;

- Ensuring that the project budget is adequate for the necessary health and safety procedures and equipment;
- Ensuring that the plan satisfies all federal, state, and local statutes, regulations, and ordinances concerning health and safety;
- Developing training materials;
- Setting up and conducting necessary training programs;
- Conducting audits to ensure compliance with the health and safety program;
- Updating the health and safety plan and program to meet new requirements and technologies;
- Maintaining program records;
- Reviewing and approving project health and safety plans for certain hazardous operations (e.g., Levels A and B activities, drum opening operations, etc); and
- Reviewing subcontractor HASPs.

### **2.2.2 Site Health and Safety Coordinator**

The Site Health and Safety Coordinator reports to the Program Health and Safety Manager and advises the Field Manager and Program Health and Safety Manager of all unusual aspects of health and safety on site. The Site Health and Safety Coordinator is authorized to stop work if any operation threatens worker and/or public health or safety. The Site Health and Safety Coordinator is also responsible for the following:

- Inspecting protective clothing and equipment periodically;
- Ensuring that protective clothing and equipment are properly stored and maintained;
- Controlling entry and exit at the access points;
- Coordinating safety and health program activities with the Program Health and Safety Manager;
- Monitoring the work parties for signs of stress such as cold exposure and heat stress;

- Implementing the site safety plan;
- Conducting periodic inspections to determine if the site safety plan is being followed;
- Knowing emergency procedures and evacuation routes;
- Posting telephone numbers of emergency medical help, local hospitals, the poison control center, the fire department, and the police department;
- Notifying, when necessary, local public emergency officials;
- Coordinating emergency medical care;
- Setting up decontamination solutions appropriate for the type of chemical contamination onsite;
- Controlling the decontamination of all equipment, personnel, and samples;
- Assuring the proper disposal of contaminated clothing and materials
- Ensuring that all required equipment is available;
- Advising medical personnel of potential exposures and consequences; and
- Notifying emergency response personnel by telephone or radio in the event of an emergency.

### **2.2.3 Field Team**

All work parties must consist of a minimum of two people. All field team members must comply with the Program HASP as well as this site-specific HASP. Field team members are to report any suspected unsafe conditions to the site health and safety coordinator and stop working if emergency conditions arise.

### **2.2.4 Subcontractors**

Subcontractors must be trained in accordance with 29 CFR Section 1910.120 prior to their admittance to the site and must comply with the training requirements specified in [Section 6.0](#) of this HASP to the extent

they will be performing work under the contractor's direction. As with all subcontractors, the responsibility for protecting the health and safety of subcontractor employees rests with the subcontractor; therefore, the subcontractor must submit an HASP to the Health and Safety Manager that identifies safety procedures for the field activities to be performed. Before beginning any field activity, the subcontractor must provide to the site health and safety coordinator documentation of necessary training and proof of participation in a medical monitoring program. This documentation will be kept in the project file.

**TABLE B2-1***Principal Contractor Personnel*

PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL	
Client Sponsor	Jody Murata (301) 836-8120
Project Manager	David W. Myers (518) 461-8936
Program Health and Safety Manager	Ernest Sweet (315) 445-2554
Field Manager	Robert Sents (315) 445-2554
Site Health and Safety Coordinator	Robert Sents (315) 445-2554

## SECTION 3.0

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***EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN*****3.1 Personnel Roles and Lines of Authority**

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The Site Health and Safety Coordinator or Program Health and Safety Manager supervises the field team to ensure they are meeting health and safety requirements. If deficiencies are noted, work is stopped and corrective action is taken (e.g., purchase of additional safety equipment). Reports of health and safety deficiencies and the corrective action taken are forwarded to the Project Manager and Program Health and Safety Manager.

All contractor personnel receive site-specific health and safety training before starting any site activities. On a day-to-day basis, workers should watch for indicators of potentially hazardous situations and for signs and symptoms in themselves and others that warn of hazardous conditions and exposures. Emergencies can be averted by rapid recognition of dangerous situations. Before assigning daily tasks, tailgate safety meetings will be held by the Site Health and Safety Coordinator. Discussion should include:

- Tasks to be performed;
- Time constraints (e.g., work period duration and rest breaks);
- Hazards that may be encountered, including their effects, how to recognize symptoms or monitor them, and danger signals;
- Emergency procedures; and
- Communication.

## 3.2 Emergency Contacts

In the event of any situation or unplanned occurrence requiring assistance, the appropriate contact(s) should be made from the list below. For emergency situations, contact should first be made with the site coordinator who will notify emergency personnel who will then contact the appropriate response teams. This emergency contacts list must be in an easily accessible location at the site.

### Contingency Contacts

### Phone Number

Nearest phone located on site	(315) 233-2111 (Tim Sager)
Fire Department	911
Sheriff	911
Ambulance Service	911
Poison Control Center (Syracuse, PA)	(315) 476-4766 (800) 252-5655
Pollution Toxic Chemical Oil Spills	(800) 424-8802

### Medical Emergency

Hospital Name	SUNY Upstate Medical University Hospital
Hospital Phone Number	(315) 464-5611, Emergency (adult)
Hospital Address	750 East Adams Street Syracuse, NY 13210
Map to Hospital	<a href="#">Figure B3.1</a>

### 3.3 Hospital Emergency Route

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Directions to the hospital are shown on [Figure B3.1](#) and are as follows:

Turn LEFT out of ANG base onto MOLLOY ROAD, heading EAST

- Turn RIGHT onto THOMPSON ROAD
- Bear LEFT onto SR 298 (THOMPSON ROAD)
- Bear RIGHT onto COURT STREET ROAD
- Turn LEFT onto NORTH MIDLER AVENUE
- Turn RIGHT onto SR 290 (JAMES STREET)
- Turn LEFT onto TEAL AVENUE
- Turn RIGHT onto RAMP TO I-690
- Bear RIGHT onto I-690
- Turn LEFT onto RAMP TO US 11 (NORTH STATE STREET)
- Turn LEFT onto US 11 (NORTH STATE STREET)
- Turn LEFT onto EAST ADAMS STREET

#### **ERM Emergency Response Contacts**

Project Manager: David W. Myers      (518) 461-8936

Health & Safety Officer: Ernest Sweet      (315) 445-2554



**FIGURE B3-1**  
*Route To Hospital*



**Upstate Medical University Hospital**

## **3.4 Emergency Procedures**

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### **3.4.1 Introduction**

If an emergency develops on site, the procedures delineated in this site-specific HASP are to be immediately followed. This site-specific HASP adheres to procedures established in the program health and safety plan. Emergency conditions exist if:

- Any member of the field crew is involved in an accident or experiences any adverse effects or symptoms of exposure;
- A condition occurs that is more hazardous than anticipated; and
- Fires, explosions, structural collapses/failures, and/or unusual weather conditions (thunderstorms, lightning, high winds, etc.) occur.

If an emergency occurs, direct voice communication is used to sound the alarm. If personnel are out of range of direct voice communication, an emergency warning signal will be sounded. General emergency procedures and specific procedures for personal injury are described within this section. A list of emergency contacts are provided above and must be posted conspicuously on site.

### **3.4.2 General Emergency Procedures**

The emergency procedures are as follows:

- Notify the contact identified in the emergency contact table of this HASP when an emergency occurs. This list is should be posted prominently at the site.
- Use the "buddy" system (pairs).
- Maintain visual contact between "pairs." Each team member should remain close to the other to assist in case of emergencies.
- If any member of the field crew experiences any adverse effects or symptoms of exposure, the entire field crew will immediately halt work and act according to the instructions provided by the Site Health and Safety Coordinator.

- Any condition that suggests a situation more hazardous than anticipated will result in evacuating the field team and re-evaluating the hazard and the level of protection required.
- If an accident occurs, the Site Health and Safety Coordinator are to complete an Accident Report Form (See [Figure B3.2](#)). Follow-up action will be taken to correct the situation that caused the accident.

### **3.4.3 Injuries and Illnesses**

In case of personal injury at the site, follow the procedures listed below:

- Field team members or onsite emergency medical technicians trained in first aid will administer treatment to an injured worker if appropriate.
- The victim will be transported to the nearest hospital or medical center if necessary. An ambulance will be called to transport the victim if needed.
- The Site Health and Safety Coordinator are responsible for the completion of an Accident Report Form.

### **3.4.4 Fire or Explosion**

Health and Safety Coordinator shall:

- Notify the paramedics and/or fire department, as necessary.
- Signal the evacuation procedure outlined in this HASP and implement the entire procedure.
- Isolate the area.
- Stay upwind of any fire.
- Keep area surrounding the problem source clear after the incident occurs.

### **3.4.5 Hazardous Materials Release**

In the event of a spill, immediately contact the local hazardous response team. Emergency contacts, numbers, lines of authority, and evacuation

routes are provided above. Federal, state, and local planning or response groups must also be notified.

#### **3.4.6 Standard Safe Work Practices**

The following are considered standard safe work practices:

1. Eating, drinking, chewing tobacco, smoking, and carrying matches or lighters are prohibited in a contaminated or potentially contaminated area or where the possibility for the transfer of contamination exists.
2. Avoid contact with potentially contaminated substances. Do not walk through puddles, pools, mud, etc. Avoid, whenever possible, kneeling on the ground, leaning or sitting on equipment or ground. Do not place monitoring equipment on potentially contaminated surfaces (i.e., ground, etc.).
3. Acknowledge crew member senses which alert to potentially dangerous situations in which they should not become involved (i.e., presence of strong and irritating or nauseating odors).
4. Prevent spills to the extent possible. In the event that a spill occurs, contain liquid if possible.
5. Field crew members shall be familiar with the physical characteristics of investigations, including:
  - Wind direction in relation to nearby buildings;
  - Accessibility to associates, equipment, vehicles communication;
  - Hot zone (areas of known or suspected contamination);
  - Site access; and
  - Nearest water sources.
6. All wastes generated during activities onsite should be disposed of as directed by the project manager or onsite Health and Safety Coordinator.
7. Protective equipment as specified in [Section 7.0](#) will be utilized by workers during the excavation and confirmatory sampling procedures.

### **3.4.7 Personal Protective Equipment Failure**

Before donning PPE, workers should fully inspect all PPE. If PPE fails during site work, evacuate the area, remove and dispose of equipment, and replace it with new equipment.

## **3.5 Accident/Incident Reporting**

Reporting and investigation of accidents are important parts of any health and safety program. They provide safety personnel with the means for objective evaluation of the progress and effectiveness of the health and safety program. Additionally, they allow the safety officer to identify problem areas where preventive measures can be taken. For corrective or preventive measures to be effective, reports on the causes of the accident must be unbiased. The purpose of an accident report is to obtain information, not to affix blame.

The Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) requires that certain elements be included in all accident reports (29 CFR Part 1094). These elements are met by the contractor's Accident Report Form ([Figure B3.2](#)). The Project Manager or Project Health and Safety Manager is responsible for the documentation of all field injuries. Information concerning a field injury must be reported to the Contractor Program Health and Safety Manager as soon as possible. An additional ERM incident form is also provided in Appendix A – Pertinent Health and Safety Documents.

**FIGURE B3-2***Accident Report Form***ACCIDENT REPORT FORM**

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**INJURED OR ILL EMPLOYEE**1. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Middle) (Last)2. Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(No. and Street) (City or Town) (State and Zip)

3. Age \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Sex: Male ( ) Female ( )

5. Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
(Specific job title, not the specific activity employee was performing at time of injury)6. Department \_\_\_\_\_  
(Enter name of department in which injured person is employed, even though they may have been temporarily working in another department at the time of injury)**EMPLOYER**

7. Name \_\_\_\_\_

8. Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(No. and Street) (City or Town) (State and Zip)9. Location (if different from mailing address): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_**THE ACCIDENT OR EXPOSURE TO OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS**10. Place of accident or exposure \_\_\_\_\_  
(No. and Street) (City or Town) (State and Zip)

11. Was place of accident or exposure on employer's premises? \_\_\_(Yes/No)

12. What was the employee doing when injured? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(Be specific - was employee using tools or equipment or handling material?)

13. How did the accident occur? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

(Describe fully the events that resulted in the injury or occupational illness. Tell what happened and how. Name objects and substances involved. Give details on all factors that led to accident. Use separate sheet if needed)

14. Time of accident: \_\_\_\_\_

15. Date of injury or initial diagnosis of occupational illness \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

16. WITNESS TO ACCIDENT	_____	_____	_____
	(Name)	(Affiliation)	(Phone No.)
	_____	_____	_____
	(Name)	(Affiliation)	(Phone No.)
	_____	_____	_____
	(Name)	(Affiliation)	(Phone No.)

# **OCCUPATIONAL INJURY OR OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS**

17. Describe the injury or illness in detail; indicate part of body affected.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

18. Name the object or substance which directly injured the employee. (For example, object that struck employee; the vapor or poison inhaled or swallowed; the chemical or radiation that irritated the skin; or in cases of strains, hernias, etc., the object the employee was lifting, pulling, etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

19. Did the accident result in employee fatality? \_\_\_\_\_ (Yes or No)

20. Number of lost workdays \_\_\_\_/restricted workdays \_\_\_\_  
resulting from injury or illness?

OTHER

21. Did you see a physician for treatment? \_\_\_\_\_ (Yes or No) \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

22. Name and address of physician \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(No. and Street)

(City or Town)

(State and Zip)

23. If hospitalized, name and address of hospital \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(No. and Street)

(City or Town)

(State and Zip)

Date of report \_\_\_\_\_ Prepared by \_\_\_\_\_

Official position \_\_\_\_\_



## SECTION 4.0

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***TASK HAZARD ANALYSIS*****4.1 Task Hazard Analysis**

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While working on non-hazardous and hazardous waste sites on ANG bases, contractor personnel are likely to encounter chemical and physical hazards. These hazards are associated primarily with preparation for sampling and/or remediation activities. The chemical and physical hazards are detailed in [Section 5](#). The site-specific activity analysis for the proposed soil sampling and excavation work is provided below.

**4.1.1 Soil Sampling**

Hazards of handling soil while sampling include potential exposure to chemicals. Employees may be working next to an active excavation equipment, so excavation safety applies to their activities. Other hazards include risk of slip, trip and fall, lacerations and contusions, noise-induced hearing loss from exposure to excessive noise from any power equipment. Employees shall keep clothing dry with adequate rain gear. Use proper personal protective clothing, to include splash protection if baling by hand during sampling. Inspect equipment to ensure that it is proper working order. All handling of potentially contaminated soils will begin in Level D with careful monitoring of the sampler's breathing zone using the Photoionization Detector (PID). Outer nitrile and inner latex gloves will be included in standard Level D requirements whenever handling samples. Since this is non-hazardous soil material, upgrades are not anticipated.

Refer to the following references:

29 CFR 1926.200	Accident Prevention Signs and Tags
29 CFR 1926.201	Signaling
29 CFR 1926.202	Barricades
29 CFR 1926.600	Equipment
29 CFR 1926.601	Motor Vehicles
29 CFR 1926.602	Material Handling Equipment

#### **4.1.2 Excavation Work**

Prior to any excavation work being performed, ERM's Task Hazard Analysis form and the Subsurface Clearance form attached in Appendix A will be completed by ERM's Site Health and Safety Officer and a qualified representative of the project subcontractor.

Chemical exposure typically occurs as excavation operations proceed. If contaminant levels reach action limits as specified in [Section 8.0](#), upgrades in personal protection will be initiated. Equipment Operators and geologists on site within 50 feet of the excavation equipment shall start work in Level D PPE and will include use of hearing protection when the equipment is operational.

If any 'hot' work is required proper coordination with the Hancock ANG Fire Department will be required. In addition, ERM's hot work permit, presented in Attachment A, will have to be completed.

## SECTION 5.0

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***SAFETY AND HEALTH ANALYSIS*****5.1 Chemical Hazards**

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The chemicals of primary concern that may be encountered and may be associated with Site 15 will be those originating from previous jet fueling activities. Compounds of primary concern generally include BTEX. Other compounds were also detected, but did not exceed soil criteria. These compounds can be taken into the body by oral ingestion, by absorption through the skin, and by inhalation. Action Levels for Site 15 are discussed in [Section 8.11](#).

In addition to the chemicals that may be present on site, personnel may bring chemicals onto the site (e.g., for equipment decontamination) that could pose health hazards. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs) for these chemicals will be brought on site when used.

**5.2 Physical Hazards**

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**5.2.1 Subsurface Hazards**

Before any excavation or drilling operations are performed, efforts must be made to determine if underground installations (e.g., sewers, telephone, water, fuel, electrical lines or liners) will be encountered, and, if so, where such underground installations are located. Utility companies and/or facility engineering shall be contacted before starting any subsurface activities and information concerning buried utilities shall be obtained.

**5.2.2 Motor Vehicles and Heavy Equipment**

Working adjacent to heavy equipment can be a major hazard at a site. Injuries can result from equipment hitting or running over personnel, or from the overturning of vehicles. Vehicles and heavy equipment design

and operation will be according to 29 CFR Subpart O, 1926.600 through 1926.602. In particular, the following precautions shall be used by the subcontractor to help prevent injuries and accidents:

- Brakes, hydraulics lines, light signals, fire extinguishers, fluid levels, steering, tires, horn, and other safety devices will be checked and recorded on a log sheet at the beginning of each week.
- Heavy equipment will not be backed up unless the vehicle has a reverse signal alarm audible above the surrounding noise level or a signal man is present.

Because heavy equipment can be an ignition source, spark arrestors will be included on all heavy equipment as standard equipment. These will prevent sparks from the engine igniting potentially explosive atmospheres. All heavy equipment will be inspected for the presence of spark arrestors prior to performing work on the site.

### **5.2.3 Overhead Electrical Lines**

Precautions will be exercised when drilling near any overhead electrical lines. The minimum clearance between overhead electrical lines of 50 kilovolts (KV) or less and the drill rig is 10 feet. For line rated over 50 KV, the Field Manager will verify that the minimum clearance between the line and any part of the rig is 10 feet plus 0.4 inch for each KV over 50 KV. The site Health and Safety Coordinator will contact the utility company to determine the kilovolts of electrical lines.

### **5.2.4 Noise-Induced Hearing Loss**

Planned activities at Site 15 involve the use of heavy equipment. The unprotected exposure of site workers to this noise during activities can result in noise-induced hearing loss. The site Health and Safety Coordinator will ensure that either earmuffs or disposal foam earplugs are made available to all personnel near sources of high intensity noise.

### **5.2.5 Slip, Trip, and Fall Hazard**

Site 15 may contain slip, trip, and fall hazards for site workers, such as:

- Holes, pits or ditches;
- Slippery surfaces;

- Steep grades;
- Uneven grades; and
- Sharp object, such as nails, metal shards, and broken glass.

Site personnel will be instructed to look for potential safety hazards and immediately inform the site Health and Safety Coordinator or the Field Manager about any new hazards. If the hazards cannot be immediately removed, actions must be taken to warn site workers about the hazard.

#### **5.2.6 Rigging Equipment for Material Handling**

Ropes, u-bolts, wires, and clamps used in drilling must be inspected prior to use and periodically during the course of the project to ensure the equipment is safe. Defective equipment must be removed from service. Rigging equipment must never exceed its recommended safe working load. The manufactures' recommendations shall be followed in determining the safe working loads of the various size and types of hooks used during drilling.

#### **5.2.7 Electric and Energized Lines**

All electrical equipment and energized lines shall be considered energized until isolated, tested or otherwise determined to be de-energized and grounded. A qualified electrician will verify all electrical lines that may interfere with work activities are locked out and tagged. To prevent physical contact with energized power lines, equipment or machines shall not be operated within 10 feet of any power line rated at 50 KV or below. This 10-foot rule will strictly be enforced at all times.

Daily inspections on all electrical equipment prior to distribution to employees will be performed by a competent person. Tools that do not pass inspection will be removed from service until repaired or replaced. All tools, cords and receptacles will be tested monthly for ground continuity, correct conductor termination and inspected for defects. All repairs to be made on electrical tools and equipment will be performed by a certified electrician. Records detailing the inspection and repair of electrical equipment will be kept with tool number, type, date inspected, repairs, and other comments.

### **5.2.8 Cranes and Lifting Devices**

All lifting activities conducted will comply with all federal, state, and local laws; safe practices prescribed by the manufacturer of crane; and generally followed by the construction industry.

All contractors will use only those cranes and other hoisting equipment which are maintained in safe working conditions. All hoisting equipment brought onto the project site will be inspected for structural integrity, smooth operations performance, and proper functioning of all critical safety devices. The site Health and Safety Coordinator will conduct the inspection in conjunction with the crane operator. Any piece of equipment found not to be in compliance with these operation and safety requirements will not be put into service until all necessary repairs have been made.

Only qualified crane operators familiar with their equipment are permitted to operate the crane. Subcontractors are required to present proof of their operators' capability and experience to operate the crane in a safe manner.

All hooks, slings, and other fittings shall be the correct size for the task being performed. The use of defective or damaged hooks, pins, shackles, or other fitting attachments is prohibited. Chain or wire rope shall be free of kinks, sharp bends, or twists. All such items must have sufficient strength (including an ample margin of safety) to safely hoist the anticipated load. All rigging equipment shall be inspected prior to use to verify good working conditions.

No one is allowed to stand or walk beneath crane booms. No one is permitted to ride loads, hooks, medicine balls, or slings suspended from hoisting equipment. Booms will not be permitted to operate within 10 feet of an energized power line.

Side pulls should be avoided in all cases. The load must be directly under the hoist. The safety "throat" latch must be in the closed position at all times during a lift. Accessible areas within the swing radius will be barricaded to prevent injury. No crane will operate in a heavy lift mode without its outriggers fully extended to assure maximum stabilization of the equipment.

### **5.2.9 Biological Hazards**

The planned field activities may bring contractor personnel into contact with snakes, spiders, ticks, chiggers, mosquitoes and poisonous plants (poison ivy and poison oak). The following precautions will be taken as necessary by field personnel to avoid contact with biological hazards:

- Hat to ward off insects;
- Snake guards;
- Insect/tick spray, especially on hat, ankles, wrist, and waist (may only be used when not operating a photo-ionization detector (PID) and not collecting samples);
- Use of Tyvek™ suit sealed with duct tape at ankles and wrist;
- Use of Oak-N-Ivy™ cleanser or equivalent at field hand-wash station; and
- Wash hands, face, and other exposed skin after each work period, and take a hot shower at the end of each day.

### **5.2.10 Sunburn**

Sunscreen and/or sun visors should be worn when work must be performed in the heat of the day and where no shelter is available. Shade or air conditioned areas must be available on site for rest periods to reduce the likelihood of heat stress.

### **5.2.11 Fire or Explosion**

Several flammable materials (e.g., fuels, cutting gases, waste oils, etc.) may be stored at or brought onto the site. To reduce the risk of fire and explosion, small quantities of flammable liquids must be stored in approved "safety" cans and labeled according to contents. Bulk storage of flammable materials should only be allowed in areas designated for this purpose. Open flames must be prohibited within 50 feet of flammable storage areas. Flammable materials in confined spaces can produce an explosive atmosphere which can be ignited by a spark or other energy source. OSHA standards for fire protection and prevention, and welding

and cutting are contained in 29 CFR, Subpart F, 1926.150 through 1926.154 and 29 CFR, Subpart J, 1926.350 through 1926.354, respectively.

Of particular concern are:

- Proper storage of flammable chemicals;
- Adequate numbers and types of fire extinguishers;
- Proper handling of cutting equipment, cylinders, and hoses;
- Allowing open flames or cutting only in certain locations and with appropriate precautions; and
- Proper use of mechanical or local exhaust ventilation.

Gasoline vapors can be highly explosive, having a flash point of about -40°F. Diesel oil is combustible, with a flash point of 110°F to 190°F, and is considered to be a moderate fire hazard. Ethylene glycol is considered to be a slight fire hazard (flash point of 232°F) and a moderate explosion hazard.

#### **5.2.12 Other Hazards**

Other physical hazards at Site 15 may include vehicular traffic, overhead power lines, and underground utilities. Safe work practices will be used to avoid all unnecessary hazards.



## SECTION 6.0

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## *TRAINING AND MEDICAL MONITORING REQUIREMENTS*

Training is the foundation upon which all other protective measures depend. All contractor health and safety training programs will cover:

- The contractor health and safety policy;
- Understanding of the hazards of the work;
- Safe work practices;
- Standard health and safety procedures;
- Protective clothing, equipment, or engineering controls (where appropriate);
- Emergency procedures; and
- Contractor's personnel rights and responsibilities under OSHA.

The content and extent of health and safety training will depend on the nature of the work and the responsibilities of the personnel performing the work. At a minimum, all contractor personnel must be given training in the overall contractor health and safety program. Additionally, all onsite personnel are required to read and abide by this site-specific HASP.

The medical surveillance program is a major element in the contractor health and safety program. The two major components of the program are (1) routine monitoring of the health of contractor personnel whose work may expose them to health hazards and (2) arrangements for emergency medical care in the event of work-related health emergencies.

## 6.1 Site Safety Training Requirements

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All onsite personnel must have received 40 hours of initial training in hazardous waste operations before participating in IRP projects, as required by 29 CFR Part 1910.120(e). All onsite personnel must be up to date on their annual 8-hour refresher training. Prior to beginning site activities, all contractor and subcontractor personnel must present certificates of the above training and evidence of participation in an annual medical monitoring program to the Site Health and Safety Coordinator or Project Manager. Additionally, CPR and first aid certification will be required for onsite personnel. This information will be kept in the project files.

Prior to beginning work on a site, the Site Health and Safety Coordinator will provide a briefing that covers the following topics:

- History of site;
- Hazards at the site;
- Proper use of personal protective equipment;
- Work practices by which the employee can minimize risk from hazards;
- Work zones and their locations, and the level of protection to be used in each zone on the site;
- Acute effects of compounds at the site;
- Decontamination procedures; and
- Emergency procedures, evacuation routes, and emergency telephone numbers.

Tailgate safety meetings will be held daily and as appropriate as site tasks or safety conditions change (i.e., PPE upgrade, weather condition change). Topics covered will include a review of the anticipated activities, the appropriate safety procedures, and any associated physical or chemical hazards. The meeting will be recorded on the tailgate safety meeting form (Figure B6-1). All personnel attending the meeting must sign the form. Records of this training will be maintained in the project files.

## **6.2 Medical Monitoring Requirements**

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Personnel engaged in hazardous waste operations are required to be enrolled in a medical monitoring program as required by 29 CFR Part 1910.120(f). The medical monitoring program is conducted using the services of licensed, local occupational physicians. All examinations will include tests and analyses appropriate to the nature of the work the employee will be required to perform.

### **6.2.1 Pre-placement Screening**

All contractor personnel who will be involved in the medical monitoring program must have an initial physical examination before assignment to work requiring regular health monitoring. The pre-placement screening has two major functions: (1) to determine contractor personnel's fitness for duty, including the ability to work while wearing protective equipment and (2) to establish a baseline physiological profile for comparison with future medical data.

### **6.2.2 Periodic Medical Examinations**

Periodic medical examinations will be given. Comparison of sequential medical reports with baseline data is essential to determine physiological changes that may mark early signs of adverse health effects and, thereby, may facilitate appropriate protective measures.

The frequency and content of examinations will vary, depending on the nature of the work and exposure. Generally, medical examinations have been recommended annually. More frequent examinations may be necessary, depending on the extent of potential or actual exposure, the duration of the work assignment, and the individual worker's profile.

### **6.2.3 Termination Examination**

A physical examination shall be performed as a part of the checkout procedure for terminating contractor personnel.

### **6.2.4 Special Examination**

Special medical examinations, care, and counseling will be provided in cases of known exposures to toxic substances. Any special tests

performed would depend on the substance to which the person was exposed.

#### **6.2.5 Subcontractor's Medical Certification**

Subcontractors that are to work at hazardous waste sites must furnish to the Project Manager or Site Health and Safety Coordinator a doctor's certification of each assigned worker's ability to wear personal protective equipment. The certification should be dated not more than one year before subcontractor personnel begin onsite work.

#### **6.2.6 Medical Records**

The contractor will keep in a locked file the physician's opinion on specific findings or diagnoses. When a worker terminates employment, the medical file should be archived for 30 years.

**FIGURE B6-1**

*Tailgate Health and Safety Meeting Form*

Date:

Specific Location:

Safety Topics Presented:

Protective Clothing/Equipment:

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Chemical Hazards:

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Physical Hazards:

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## SECTION 7.0

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***PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT*****7.1 Purpose**

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These guidelines are provided to establish a personal protective equipment and safety equipment program for hazardous waste operations.

**7.2 Guidelines**

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Personal protective equipment (PPE) is needed to ensure the health and safety of field personnel involved with hazardous substances. It can only provide a high degree of protection if it is used properly. Clothing is selected by evaluating the performance characteristics of the clothing against the requirements and limitations of the site- and task-specific conditions. The following areas must be addressed for an effective PPE program:

- Training;
- Work duration;
- Fit testing;
- Donning of equipment;
- In-use monitoring;
- Doffing of equipment;
- Inspection; and
- Storage.

## **7.3 Considerations for Choice of Protective Clothing**

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### **7.3.1 Performance Requirement**

Clothing must be able to withstand a variety of physical abuses. The advantages and disadvantages of reusable versus disposable clothing must be considered.

### **7.3.2 Construction Requirements**

The construction requirements of any garment depend on the intended use of the garment. The material that the garment is made of has been selected because of its effectiveness as a barrier against specific hazards there is no such thing as "universal" protection.

1. The physical construction of the garment must prevent penetration (e.g., location of seams and zippers, size of clothing).
2. The material that the garment is constructed of must resist penetration. In some instances, it may be necessary to layer protective clothing to achieve the desired protection.

### **7.3.3 Permeation Rate**

Permeation rate is affected by a combination of the base material, the nature of the chemicals to which the material is exposed, and the duration and nature of exposure. Most materials allow some degree of permeation.

### **7.3.4 Ease and Cost of Decontamination**

Considerations that should be made upon purchasing garments are the ability and degree to which the garment can be decontaminated and the cost of decontamination. Disposable clothing may be advantageous in some situations; however, such clothing is rather expensive in the long run. In most instances, field personnel will use a combination of disposable and reusable clothing.

### **7.3.5 Protective Materials**

The following materials are generally available for a number of garments:

1. Cellulose or paper
2. Natural and synthetic fibers
  - Tyvek™
  - Nomex™
3. Elastomers
  - Polyethylene
  - Saran™-Dow-product
  - Polyvinyl chloride
  - Neoprene
  - Butyl rubber
  - Chlorapel™
  - Viton™

Materials such as Tyvek™ or paper offer little or no protection against hazardous contaminants. Such materials can, however, protect against particulate contaminants. Tyvek™ should be used as an outer covering over the primary protective gear such as splash or fully encapsulating suits. Although Tyvek™ provides little chemical resistance, it does limit the amount of direct contamination on the primary protective gear. Tyvek™ garments are disposable.

Elastomers (polymeric materials that, after being stretched, return to about their original length) provide the best protection against chemical degradation, permeation, and penetration from toxic and corrosive liquids or gases. Elastomers are used in boots, gloves, overalls, and fully encapsulating suits. They are sometimes combined with a flame resistant fabric called Nomex™ to enhance durability and protection.

The abilities of elastomers to resist degradation and permeation range from poor to excellent. The selection of a particular material should be



based on its resistance to chemical degradation, as well as on its ability to resist permeation.

Protective clothing containing significant amounts of polyester or other synthetic fibers have the ability to build a static electricity charge from the wearer's movements. If the project site requires non-sparking uniforms due to explosion hazards, cotton/polyester blends for coveralls should be avoided. Zippers manufactured from brass which is non-sparking, should be used on projects where explosion hazards are a concern.

## **7.4 Selection of Work Ensemble**

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### **7.4.1 Protection Level**

The individual components of clothing and equipment must be assembled into a full protective ensemble that both protects the worker from the site-specific hazards and minimizes the hazards and drawbacks of the personal protective equipment ensemble itself. Protective clothing selected should provide the maximum chemical protection available while allowing flexibility, dexterity, and visibility. These benefits of protective clothing must often be weighed and compared against increased risk of heat stress. Protective equipment selection must be coordinated with the site Health and Safety Coordinator or Program Health and Safety Manager.

### **7.4.2 Training**

Training in PPE use is required as part of the initial training for all working at the site. This training allows the user to become familiar with the equipment in a non-hazardous environment. As a minimum, the PPE training portion should delineate the user's responsibilities and explain the following:

1. OSHA requirements as delineated in 29 CFR Part 1910 Subparts I and Z.
2. The proper use and maintenance of the selected PPE, including capabilities and limitations.
3. Instruction in inspecting, donning, checking, fitting, and using PPE.
4. Individualized respirator fit testing to ensure proper fit

5. The user's responsibility (if any) for decontamination cleaning, maintenance, and repair of PPE.
6. Emergency procedures and self-rescue in the event of PPE failure.

#### **7.4.3 Work Mission Duration**

Before entering a hazardous waste site in personal protective equipment, the anticipated work mission duration must be established in the project health and safety plan. Several factors limit the work mission length. These are:

1. Air supply.
2. The permeation and penetration rates of chemical contaminants.
3. Ambient temperature.

#### **7.4.4 Donning of Equipment**

Periodic practice for donning chemical resistant clothing and respirators are required. Assistance should be provided because donning and doffing operations are difficult to perform alone.

After the equipment has been donned, the fit should be evaluated. Clothing that is too small will restrict movement, thus increasing the possibility of tearing the suit and increasing worker fatigue. Clothing that is too large increases the possibility of snagging the suit and the worker's dexterity and coordination may be compromised. In each instance, the worker should be recalled and refitted.

#### **7.4.5 In-Use Monitoring**

The wearer of protective clothing must understand all aspects of the clothing's operation and limitation. This is particularly important for fully-encapsulating ensembles where misuse could result in suffocation.

Worker should report any perceived problems or difficulties with equipment to their Project Health and Safety Officer. These malfunctions include, but are not limited to:

- Degradation of protective clothing;

- Perception of odor while wearing a respirator;
- Skin irritation;
- Resistance in breathing during respirator use;
- Fatigue because of respirator use;
- Vision or communication difficulties; and
- Personal responses such as rapid pulse, chest pain, and nausea.

If a supplied-air respirator is being used, all hazards that might endanger the integrity of the air line should be removed from the working area before use. During use, air lines should be kept as short as possible and other workers and vehicles should be excluded from the area.

#### **7.4.6 Doffing of Equipment**

Procedures for removing chemically resistant suit/SCBA ensembles must be developed and followed precisely to prevent the spread of contaminants from the work area to the wearer's body, and to decontamination personnel. Doffing should be performed in concert with the decontamination of the suited worker. Throughout the doffing procedure, both the worker and decontamination personnel should avoid direct contact with the outside surface of the suit.

#### **7.4.7 Inspection**

An effective PPE program will consist of three different inspections:

1. Inspection of equipment as it is issued to workers.
2. Inspection after use in training.
3. Periodic inspection of stored equipment.

Each inspection will cover different areas in varying degrees of detail. Explicit inspection procedures are usually available from the manufacturer. It is the responsibility of the field worker to inspect the integrity of his or her equipment before use on a site.

Records must be maintained of all inspection procedures. Identification numbers should be assigned to all reusable pieces of equipment (ID

numbers) and records should be kept by that number. As a minimum, each inspection should record the ID number, date, inspector, findings, and any future actions to be taken. Periodic review of these records may indicate an item or type of item with excessive maintenance costs or a high level of down time.

#### **7.4.8 Storage**

Clothing and respirators must be properly stored to prevent damage or malfunction due to exposure to dust, moisture, sunlight, temperature extremes, and impact. Procedures should be developed for pre issuance warehousing and post issuance (in use) storage. Improper storage can cause equipment failures.

### **7.5 Protection Levels**

#### **7.5.1 Level A**

Level A protection should be used when percutaneous hazards exist or where there is no known data to rule out percutaneous hazards. Because wearing a fully encapsulated suit is physiologically and psychologically stressful, the decision to use this protection must be carefully considered. The following conditions suggest a need for Level A protection.

1. The hazardous substance has been identified and requires the highest level of protection for skin, eyes, and the respiratory system based on either the measured (or potential for) high concentration of atmospheric vapors, gases, or particulates; or based on the site operations and work functions involve a high potential for splash, immersion, or exposure to unexpected vapors, gases, or particulates of materials that are harmful to skin or capable of being absorbed through the intact skin.
2. Substances with a high degree of hazard to the skin are known or suspected to be present, and skin contact is possible.
3. Operations must be conducted in confined, poorly ventilated areas and the absence of conditions requiring Level A have not yet been determined.

The following items constitute Level A protection:

1. Pressure-demand, full-face piece, self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), or pressure-demand supplied-air respirator with escape SCBA, approved by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)
2. Totally-encapsulating chemical-protective suit
3. Coveralls
4. Long underwear\*
5. Gloves, outer, chemical resistant
6. Gloves, inner, chemical resistant
7. Boots, chemical-resistant, steel toe and shank
8. Hard hat (under suit)\*
9. Disposable protective suit, gloves, and boots (depending on suit construction, may be worn over totally-encapsulating suit)
10. Two-way radios (worn inside encapsulating suit)

Before a fully encapsulated suit can be worn into a hazardous situation the suit must be properly inspected. The following is a checklist for visually inspecting all types of fully encapsulated suits.

1. Spread suit out on flat surface.
2. Examine the following:
  - a. Fabric and seams for abrasions, cuts, or holes
  - b. Zippers and other connecting devices for proper sealing
  - c. Visor for dirt and cracks
  - d. Exhaust valves (if applicable) for inhibiting debris and proper functioning
3. If air source is available, seal the suit and inflate it. Check for any leaks on surface and seams using a mild soap solution.
4. Record each suit's inspection, use, and repair status.

\*Optional, as applicable

### **7.5.2 Level B**

Level B protection should be worn when the highest level of respiratory protection is necessary, but a lesser level of skin protection is needed. The following conditions constitute a need for Level B protection.

1. Atmospheres with concentrations of known substance greater than protective factors associated with full-face, air-purifying respirators.
2. The atmosphere contains less than 19.5 percent oxygen.
3. Site operations make it highly unlikely that the small, exposed areas of the head or neck will be contacted by splashes of extremely hazardous substances.
4. Type(s) and concentration(s) of vapors in air do not present a cutaneous or percutaneous hazard to the small, unprotected areas of the body.

The following items constitute Level B protection:

1. Pressure-demand, full-face piece, self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), or pressure-demand supplied air respirator with escape SCBA (NIOSH approved)
2. Hooded chemical-resistant clothing (overalls and long-sleeved jacket, coveralls, one or two piece chemical splash suit; disposable chemical-resistant overalls)
3. Coveralls\*
4. Gloves, outer, chemical-resistant
5. Gloves, inner, chemical-resistant
6. Boots, outer, chemical-resistant, steel toe and shank
7. Boot covers, outer, chemical-resistant (disposable)\*
8. Hard hat
9. Two-way radios\*
10. Face shield\*

\*Optional, as applicable

### **7.5.3 Level C**

Level C protection should be worn when the type(s) of airborne substance(s) is measured, and the criteria for using air-purifying respirators are met. The following conditions suggest a need for Level C protection:

1. The atmospheric contaminants, liquid splashes, or other direct contact will not adversely affect or be absorbed through any exposed skin.
2. The types of air contaminants have been identified, concentrations measured, and a canister or cartridge respirator is available that can remove the contaminants.
3. All criteria for the use of air-purifying respirators are met.

The following items constitute Level C protection:

4. Full-face or half-mask, air-purifying canister or cartridge equipped respirators (NIOSH approved)
5. Hooded chemical-resistant clothing (overalls; two-piece, chemical-splash suit; disposal, chemical-resistant overalls)
6. Coveralls\*
7. Gloves, outer, chemical-resistant
8. Gloves, inner, chemical-resistant
9. Boots (outer), chemical-resistant, steel toe and shank\*
10. Boot covers, outer, chemical-resistant (disposable)\*
11. Hard hat\*
12. Escape mask\*
13. Two-way radios\*
14. Face shield\*

\*Optional, as applicable

#### 7.5.4 Level D

Level D protection should not be worn on any site where respiratory or skin hazard exist. Level D protection should be used when:

1. The atmosphere contains no known hazard.
2. Work functions preclude splashes, immersion, or the potential for unexpected inhalation of or contact with hazardous levels of any chemicals.

The following items constitute Level D protection:

1. Coveralls
2. Gloves\*
3. Boots/shoes, chemical-resistant, steel toe and shank
4. Boots, outer, chemical-resistant (disposable)\*
5. Safety glasses or chemical splash goggles\*
6. Hard hat\*
7. Escape mask\*
8. Face shield\*

The type of clothing used and the overall level of protection should be reevaluated periodically as information about the site increases and as workers perform different operations. The Project Health and Safety Officer will determine when to upgrade or downgrade the level of protection for site personnel.

Reason to upgrade:

1. Known or suspected presence of dermal hazards
2. Occurrence or likely occurrence of gas or vapor emission
3. Change in work task that will increase contact or potential contact with hazardous materials
4. Request of the individual performing the task

\*Optional, as applicable



Reasons to downgrade:

1. New information indicating that the situation is less hazardous than was originally thought.
2. Change in site conditions that decreases the hazard.
3. Change in work task that will reduce contact with hazardous materials.

#### **7.5.5 Safety Equipment**

Additional safety equipment should be located in the support zone (discussed in [Section 10.0](#)) for use in the event of an emergency. This equipment should be centrally located with respect to the project site and kept free of all obstructions for ease of access. This is a general list of safety equipment to be used at the site.

- Portable fire extinguisher (Type ABC);
- Industrial first aid kit;
- Additional eye and face protection (glasses, goggles, face shields);
- Hearing protection;
- Additional PPE (Tyvek®, over-boots, duct tape, hard hats);
- Decontamination water;
- Drinking water; and
- Spill kit (sorbent pads or equivalent).

#### **7.7 Site-Specific PPE Requirements**

All field work performed as part of the source area soil removal will begin in Modified Level D PPE as all anticipated soil removal is non-hazardous. The ERM Site and Safety Officer will determine the appropriate Level D protection to be used during Modified Level D work. If soil or sediment samples must be handled directly by personnel, at a minimum, inner latex gloves shall be used.

Higher levels of PPE are not anticipated for the investigation; however, an upgrade of protection levels will be completed if conditions warrant as described in [Section 7.5.4](#) or as prescribed in air monitoring requirements as specified in the action level table in [Section 8.11](#).

## SECTION 8.0

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***HEALTH HAZARD ASSESSMENT*****8.1 Purpose**

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OSHA, in 29 CFR Part 1910.120 (h), requires air monitoring to be used to identify and quantify airborne concentrations of hazardous substances. The purpose of this guideline is to establish fundamental air monitoring principles that can be used to evaluate potential risks at a site. [Section 8.2](#) through 8.10 provide general information regarding monitoring, instruments, and training. [Section 8.11](#) provides site-specific monitoring requirements for the Site 15 investigation.

**8.2 Guidelines**

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Various dangers may exist when working at a hazardous waste site. Explosive vapors, oxygen deficient atmospheres, and a variety of toxic gases and vapors can be encountered with lethal properties.

When first approaching a waste site, the potential hazards must be recognized and exposure risks evaluated. This can be done by a methodical initial site survey. To perform initial site surveys and subsequent monitoring, various portable instruments must be available. The following sections describe the types of air monitoring that can be performed and how to interpret monitoring results.

**8.3 Initial Site Survey Air Monitoring**

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Site surveys provide the information needed to identify potential site hazards and to select worker respiratory protection methods and equipment. Site surveys generally proceed in three phases:

- Conduct off-site characterization before site entry. Gather information away from the site by consulting or inspecting site owner's files, agency personnel and files, former site employees, and other

applicable literature and personnel. (The off-site characterization effort has been completed for Hancock Site 15.) Conduct a reconnaissance from the site perimeter.

- Next, conduct onsite surveys. During this phase, restrict site entry to reconnaissance personnel.
- Once the site has been determined safe for beginning other activities, perform ongoing monitoring to provide a continuous source of information about site conditions.

It is important to recognize that site characterization is a continuous process. At each phase of site characterization, information shall be obtained and evaluated to define the potential hazards of the site.

The following information (to the extent it is available) shall be obtained before perimeter reconnaissance or initial site entry:

- Location and approximate size of the site;
- Description of the response activity or the job task to be performed;
- Duration of the planned employee activity;
- Site topography;
- Meteorologic data such as prevailing wind direction, precipitation levels, and temperature profiles;
- Site accessibility by air and roads;
- Pathways for hazardous substance dispersion;
- Present status and capabilities of emergency response teams (including contact names and phone numbers) that would provide emergency assistance to onsite employees;
- Hazardous substances and health hazards present or expected at the site and their chemical and physical properties; and
- All suspected conditions that may pose inhalation or skin absorption hazards that are immediately dangerous to life or health (IDLH) or other conditions that may cause death or serious harm shall be identified during the preliminary site characterization and carefully evaluated during the initial site entry and subsequent site surveys.

### **8.3.1 Perimeter Reconnaissance**

Following the data-gathering exercise, and at a site where the hazards are largely unknown, a perimeter reconnaissance should be conducted. Reconnaissance personnel should use Level D or C protection as appropriate. Portable air monitoring instruments should be used, particularly when working downwind of the site. The perimeter reconnaissance should be conducted by at least two individuals. The Project Health and Safety Coordinator should be present. The perimeter reconnaissance should involve the following actions:

- Develop a preliminary site map and review available aerial photography;
- Note any labels, markings, or placards on containers or vehicles;
- Note the amount of deterioration or damage of containers;
- Note any biological indicators, such as dead animals or plants;
- Note any unusual conditions such as clouds or vapors, discolored liquids, or soil staining;
- Note any unusual odors; and
- Collect and analyze offsite soil, water, or air samples as appropriate.

### **8.3.2 Initial Site Entry**

OSHA requires that an ensemble of PPE shall be selected and used during the initial site entry that will provide protection to a level of exposure below established PELs for known or suspected hazardous substances and other safety and health hazards identified during the preliminary site evaluation (29 CFR Part 1910.120[c]).

In the rare instance when the preliminary site evaluation does not produce sufficient information to identify the hazards or suspected hazards of the site, Level B respiratory protection (SCBA) and appropriate protective clothing shall be used as minimum protection for the initial site entry. Direct reading instruments shall be used for identifying IDLH conditions. If available information indicates that Level B protection is not required for initial site entry, and if respiratory protection is warranted by the potential hazards identified during the initial site investigation, an escape

SCBA of at least five minutes duration shall be carried by each employee or kept at their immediate work station (29 CFR Part 1910.120[c][5]).

The initial site entry team should consist of three persons: two workers who will enter the site and one outside support person, suited in PPE and prepared to enter the site in case of emergency. It is important that the Project Health and Safety Coordinator be present as one of the team members. Entry personnel should:

- Use monitoring instruments to monitor the air for IDLH and other safety or health conditions that may cause death or serious injury;
- Note the types and condition of containers, impoundments, or other storage systems;
- Note the physical condition of the hazardous substances;
- Determine potential pathways for dispersion; and
- Collect air, water, and soil samples.

## **8.4 Air Monitoring Instruments**

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Airborne contaminants may pose a significant threat to worker health and safety, and identification and quantification of airborne contaminants is essential for a good health and safety program at a hazardous waste site. Reliable measurements of airborne contaminants are needed for:

- Selecting personal protective equipment;
- Delineating areas where protection is needed;
- Assessing the potential health effects of exposure; and
- Determining the need for specific medical monitoring.

### **8.4.1 Measuring Instruments**

The purpose of air monitoring is to identify and quantify airborne contaminants to determine the level of worker protection needed. Two principal approaches are available for identifying and quantifying airborne contaminants:

- The onsite use of direct reading instruments; and
- Laboratory analysis of air samples obtained by gas sampling bag, filter, sorbent, or wet contaminant collection methods.

#### **8.4.2 Direct Reading Instruments**

Direct reading instruments are used for rapid detection of flammable or explosive gases, oxygen deficiency, and specific gases and vapors. The information provided by these instruments must be used to institute appropriate protective measures.

It is important that direct reading instruments be operated by trained individuals who are familiar with the device's operating principles and limitations. At hazardous waste sites where unknown and multiple contaminants are usually the rule, instrument readings should be interpreted conservatively. The following guidelines should be used to facilitate accurate recording and interpretations:

- Calibrate instruments according to the manufacturer's instructions;
- Develop chemical response curves if these are not provided by the instrument manufacturer;
- A reading of zero should be reported as "no instrument response" rather than "clean" because quantities of chemicals may be present that are not detectable by the instrument; and
- The survey should be repeated with several detection systems to maximize the number of chemicals detected.

A description of the direct reading instruments is presented below.

##### *8.4.2.1 Oxygen Deficient Atmospheres*

At sites where oxygen depletion or displacement is anticipated, oxygen levels must be monitored by the use of a portable oxygen detector. A typical oxygen detector measures the percent oxygen in the immediate atmosphere using a galvanic cell. Terrain variations in the land and unventilated rooms or areas often do not contain enough oxygen to support life, making these instruments invaluable to response personnel. The normal ambient oxygen concentration is 20.8 percent.

NIOSH requires that if oxygen levels in the ambient air become less than 19.5 percent, supplied air respirators must be worn. Oxygen enriched atmospheres (oxygen greater than 25 percent) increase the potential for fire or explosion; no work or testing should ever be performed under such conditions.

The operation of oxygen detectors depends on the absolute atmospheric pressure. The concentration of natural oxygen (not manufactured or generated oxygen) is a function of the atmospheric pressure at a given altitude.

At sea level, where the weight of the atmosphere is greatest, more oxygen molecules are compressed into a given volume than at higher elevations. As elevation increases, this compression decreases, resulting in fewer oxygen molecules being "squeezed" into a given volume. Consequently, an oxygen indicator calibrated at sea level and operated at an altitude of several thousand feet will falsely indicate an oxygen deficient atmosphere (less than 19.5 percent).

#### *8.4.2.2 Combustible Gases/Vapors*

The presence or absence of combustible vapors or gases must be evaluated at a waste site. A typical combustible gas detector determines the concentration of combustible vapors and gases present in an atmosphere. The level is recorded as a percentage of the lower explosive limit (LEL), which is measured as the change in electrical resistance in a wheatstone bridge circuit.

The LEL of a combustible gas or vapor is the lowest concentration by volume in air that will explode, ignite, or burn when there is an available ignition source. NIOSH has established the following guidelines concerning working in an explosive environment:

1. If combustible gas is detected between 10 to 25 percent LEL, work activities in the area should be limited to those that do not generate sparks.
2. If the explosivity reading on the combustible gas indicator is above 25 percent, operations will stop and the onsite area must be immediately evacuated until appropriate action can be taken to eliminate the hazard.

Once a site has been evacuated, onsite activities cannot resume until project contractor personnel have consulted with personnel experienced in



fire or explosion hazards. Onsite activities around enclosed spaces and material containers should be carefully monitored for the presence of combustible gases and vapors. Around well drilling and welding operations, the air above the borehole and around the work area also needs to be monitored for combustible/explosive gases and vapors.

The combustible gas detector cannot be used to test the vapors of leaded gasoline, halogens, and sulfur compounds. These substances interfere with the filament unit, reducing the instrument's sensitivity. Compounds containing silicone will also destroy the platinum filament.

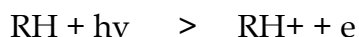
The combustible gas detector can only be used in normal atmospheres, not oxygen-enriched or -deficient. Oxygen concentrations that are less than or greater than normal may cause erroneous readings.

#### 8.4.2.3 Organic Vapor/Gases

The initial survey of a site should always include measurements for organic vapors. Sufficient data should be obtained during the initial entry to screen the site for various levels of organic vapors. These gross measurements can be used on a preliminary basis to (1) determine levels of personnel protection, (2) establish site work zones, and (3) select candidate areas for more thorough qualitative and quantitative studies.

Organic vapor concentrations at a site can be determined by the use of a photoionization detector (PID) or a flame-ionization detector (FID).

Photoionization Detector. Photoionization instruments (HNU® for example) use an ultraviolet (UV) light to ionize chemical compounds. The photoionization process can be illustrated as:



where: RH is an organic or inorganic molecule and  $h\nu$  represents a photon of UV light.

The photon has energy equal to or greater than the molecules ionization potential and causes the emission of an electron, "e<sup>-</sup>".

The PID consists of a chamber containing a pair of electrodes. When a positive potential is applied to one electrode, the field created drives any ions formed by the absorption of UV light to the collector electrode, where the current (proportional to the concentration) is measured.

Compounds with high ionization potentials will not be detected if the lamp used does not have the sufficient energy required to ionize the compound (HNU® manufactures three UV lamps with different ionization energies).

The response to a gas or vapor may radically change when the gas or vapor is mixed with other materials. As an example, a PID calibrated to ammonia and surveying an atmosphere containing 100 ppm ammonia would indicate 100 on the meter. Likewise, an instrument calibrated to benzene would record 100 in an atmosphere containing 100 ppm benzene. However, in an atmosphere containing 100 ppm of each compound, the instrument could indicate considerably less or more than 200 ppm, depending on how it was calibrated.

Flame Ionization Detector. The flame ionization detector (FID) uses ionization as the detection method much the same as in the PID, except that the ionization is caused by a hydrogen flame, rather than UV light. The flame has enough energy to ionize any organic molecule with an ionization potential of 15.4 eV or less.

Inside the instrument's detection chamber, the sample is exposed to a hydrogen flame that ionizes the organic vapors. As the organic vapors burn, positively charged, carbon-containing ions are produced and collect on a negatively charged electrode. As the positive ions accumulate, a current proportional to the hydrocarbon concentration is generated on the input electrode.

Flame ionization detectors do not detect inorganic gases and vapors and many synthetic compounds. Similar to the PID, the FID responds differently to different compounds. For example, an FID that has been calibrated to methane will read 100 ppm methane in an atmosphere containing 100 ppm methane. However, this instrument may only register 10 ppm of carbon tetrachloride in an atmosphere actually containing 100 ppm of that compound. The relative sensitivity to various compounds must be considered when using this instrument.

Colorimetric Indicator Tubes. Often, while evaluating a hazardous waste site, the need arises to quickly measure a specific gas. Direct reading colorimetric indicator tubes can successfully fill that need. These tubes are usually calibrated in parts per million (ppm) or percent concentration for easy interpretation.

Colorimetric indicator tubes consist of a glass tube impregnated with an indicator chemical. A known volume of contaminated air is drawn

through the tube at a predetermined rate. The contaminant reacts with the indicator chemical in the tube, producing a discoloration that is proportional to the chemical's concentration. Detector tubes are chemical specific and must be selected before leaving for the site.

Several indicator chemicals may be able to measure the concentration of a particular gas or vapor. Each chemical operates on a different chemical principle and is affected in varying degrees by temperature, air volume pulled through the tube, and interference from other gases or vapors. A "true" concentration versus the "measured" concentration may vary considerably among and between tube manufacturers.

A major limitation of this apparatus involves the process by which the operator "reads" the endpoint. The jagged edge where contaminant meets indicator chemical makes it difficult to get accurate results from this seemingly simple test. However, a diligent and experienced operator should be able to accurately read the endpoint.

## **8.5 Personal Monitoring**

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Selective monitoring of high risk workers (i.e., those closest to the source of contamination generation) is recommended during cleanup activities. This methodology is based on the rationale that the probability of significant exposure varies with distance from the source. If workers closest to the source of contamination are not significantly exposed, then all other workers are supposedly not exposed and do not need to be monitored.

Personal monitoring samples should be collected in the breathing zone. These samples represent the inhalation exposure of workers who are not wearing respiratory protection. "Full shift" or 8 hour air samples are analyzed in a laboratory. Full shift air samples may be collected using passive dosimeters, or by a pump that draws air onto a sorbent or filter. It is best to use pumps that maintain a constant flow rate to collect samples, because it is difficult to adjust the pump with protective equipment on.

## **8.6 Periodic Monitoring**

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The monitoring surveys made during the initial site entry phase are for a preliminary evaluation of atmospheric hazards. In some situations, the information obtained may be sufficient to preclude additional monitoring.

However, because site activities and weather conditions change during the course of a day, a program to periodically monitor atmospheric changes must be implemented. At a minimum, periodic monitoring of air quality during excavation sampling will be conducted every 15 minutes.

## **8.7 Training**

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It is imperative that personnel using monitoring instruments be thoroughly familiar with their use, limitations, and operating characteristics. All instruments have inherent constraints in their ability to detect and/or quantify the hazard for which they were designed. Unless trained personnel use the instruments properly and accurately assess the data readout, air hazards can be grossly misinterpreted, endangering the health and safety of field personnel.

## **8.8 Instrument Sensitivity**

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Although the measurement of total vapor/gas concentrations can be a useful adjunct to professional judgment in the selection of an appropriate level of protection, caution should be used in the interpretation of the readout of the measuring instrument. The response of an instrument to a gas or vapor cloud containing two or more substances does not provide the same sensitivity as measurements involving the individual, pure constituents. Hence, the instrument readout may overestimate or underestimate the concentration of an unknown composite cloud. This same type of inaccuracy could also occur in measuring a single unknown substance with the instrument calibrated to a different substance. The idiosyncrasies of each instrument must be considered in conjunction with the other parameters in selecting the protection equipment needed. Using the total vapor/gas concentration to determine levels of protection should provide protection against concentrations greater than the readout of the instrument. However, when the upper limits of Levels C and B are approached, serious consideration should be given to selecting a higher level of protection. Cloud constituents must be identified as rapidly as possible and levels of protection based on the toxic properties of the specific substances identified.

## 8.9 Heat Stress Monitoring

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Sweating does not cool the body unless moisture is removed from the body. The use of PPE reduces the body's ability to eliminate large quantities of heat because the evaporation of sweat is decreased. The body's effort to maintain an acceptable temperature may become impaired and this may cause heat stress. Increased body temperature and physical discomfort also promote irritability and a decreased attention to the performance of hazardous tasks.

Heat related problems include heat rash, fainting, heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke. Heat rash occurs because sweat isn't evaporating, making the skin wet most of the time. Standing erect and immobile in the heat allows blood to pool in the lower extremities. As a result, blood does not return to the heart to be pumped back to the brain and fainting may occur. Heat cramps are painful spasms of the muscles due to excessive salt loss from profuse sweating. Heat exhaustion occurs due to the large fluid and salt loss from profuse sweating. A person's skin is clammy and moist. Nausea, dizziness and headache may also be exhibited.

Heat stroke occurs when the body's temperature regulatory system has failed. Skin is hot, dry red, and spotted. The affected person may be mentally confused and delirious, and convulsions may occur. A person exhibiting signs of heat stroke should be removed from the work area to a shaded area immediately. The person should be soaked with water and fanned to promote evaporation. Medical attention should be obtained immediately. Early recognition and treatment of heat stroke are the only means of preventing brain damage or death.

Monitoring of personnel wearing PPE should commence when the ambient temperature is 70°F or above. Monitoring frequency should increase as the ambient temperature increases or as slow recovery rates are observed. Heat stress monitoring should be performed by a person with a current first aid certification who is trained to recognize heat stress symptoms. For monitoring the body's recuperative abilities to excessive heat, one or more of the following techniques should be used. Other methods for determining heat stress monitoring, such as the wet bulb globe temperature (WBGT) index from American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienist (ACGIH) threshold limit value (TLV) booklet can be used.

### **8.9.1 Early Symptoms of Heat Related Problems**

1. Decline in task performance;
2. Incoordination;
3. Decline in alertness;
4. Unsteady walk;
5. Excessive fatigue;
6. Muscle cramps; or
7. Dizziness.

### **8.9.2 Susceptibility to Heat Stress Increases**

The following conditions may make one susceptible to heat stress:

1. Lack of physical fitness;
2. Lack of acclimatization to the ambient temperature;
3. Increased age;
4. Dehydration;
5. Obesity;
6. Drug or alcohol use;
7. Sunburn; or
8. Infection.

To monitor the worker, measure:

- Heart rate. Count the radial pulse during a 30-second period as early as possible in the rest period;
  - If the heart rate exceeds 100 beats per minute at the beginning of the rest period, shorten the next work cycle by one-third and keep the rest period the same.

- If the heart rate still exceeds 100 beats per minute at the next rest period, shorten the following work cycle by one-third.
- Oral temperature. Use a clinical thermometer (3 minutes under the tongue) or similar device to measure the oral temperature at the end of the work period (before drinking).
  - If oral temperature exceeds 99.6°F (37.6°C), shorten the next work cycle by one-third without changing the rest period.
  - If oral temperature still exceeds 99.6°F (37.6°C) at the beginning of the next rest period, shorten the following cycle by one-third.
  - Do not permit a worker to wear a semi-permeable or impermeable garment when oral temperature exceeds 100.6°F (38.1°C).

### **8.9.3 Prevention of Heat Stress**

Proper training and preventive measures will aid in averting loss of worker productivity and serious illness. Heat stress prevention is particularly important because once a person suffers from heat stroke or heat exhaustion, that person may be predisposed to additional heat related illness. To avoid heat stress the following steps should be taken:

- Adjust work schedules;
  - Modify work/rest schedules according to monitoring requirements.
  - Mandate work slowdowns as needed.
  - Perform work during cooler hours of the day, if possible, or at night if adequate lighting can be provided.
- Provide shelter (air-conditioned, if possible) or shaded areas to protect personnel during rest periods;
- Maintain worker's body fluids at normal levels. This is necessary to ensure that the cardiovascular system functions adequately. Daily fluid intake must approximately equal the amount of water lost in sweat, i.e., eight fluid ounces (0.23 liters) of water must be ingested for approximately every eight ounces (0.23 kg) of weight lost. The normal thirst mechanism is not sensitive enough to ensure that enough water will be drunk to replace lost sweat. When heavy sweating occurs,

encourage the worker to drink more. The following strategies may be useful:

- Maintain water temperature at 50°-60°F (10°-16.6°C).
  - Provide small disposable cups that hold about four ounces (0.1 liter).
  - Have workers drink 16 ounces (0.5 liters) of fluid (preferably water or dilute drinks) before beginning work.
  - Urge workers to drink a cup or two every 15 to 20 minutes, or at each monitoring break. A total of 1 to 1.6 gallons (4 to 6 liters) of fluid per day are recommended, but more may be necessary to maintain body weight.
- Train workers to recognize the symptoms of heat-related illnesses;
  - Rotate personnel and alternate job functions; and
  - Avoid double shifts and/or overtime.

## **8.10 Cold Stress Monitoring**

Exposure to low temperatures presents a risk to employee safety and health both through the direct effect of the low temperature on the body and collateral effects such as slipping on ice, decreased dexterity and reduced dependability of equipment. All personnel must exercise increased care when working in a cold environment to prevent accidents that may result from the cold. The symptoms of cold exposure include frostbite and hypothermia. Wind increases the impact of cold on a person's body.

Frostbite is both a general and a medical term given to areas of local cold injury. Unlike systemic hypothermia, frostbite rarely occurs unless the ambient temperatures are less than freezing and usually less than 20°F. Symptoms of frostbite are: a sudden blanching or whitening of the skin; the skin has a waxy or white appearance and is firm to the touch; tissues are cold, pale, and solid. Superficial frostbite occurs when the skin is white but the underlying tissue is firm. The skin will return to shape when depressed. Deep frostbite causes the underlying tissues to freeze. The skin will either not depress when pressed by the finger or it will



depress but not return to the original contour. Deep frostbite is a serious injury.

Hypothermia is defined as a decrease in a person's core temperature below 96°F. The body temperature is normally maintained by a combination of central (brain and spinal cord) and peripheral (skin and muscle) activity. Interferences with any of these mechanisms can result in hypothermia, even in the absence of "cold" ambient temperatures. The first symptom of systemic hypothermia is shivering. Maximum shivering starts when the core body temperature drops below 95°F. The next set of symptoms as the body's cooling progresses is apathy, listlessness, and sleepiness. The person remains conscious and responsive with normal blood pressure and a core temperature of 93.2°F. The person must be immediately removed to a facility with heat. As hypothermia advances beyond this point, the person has a glassy stare, slow pulse, slow respiratory rate and may lose consciousness. Severe hypothermia starts when the core body temperature reaches 91.4°F. Finally, the extremities start to freeze hard and death could result.

#### **8.10.1 Prevention of Cold-Related Illnesses**

- Educate worker to recognize the symptoms of frostbite and hypothermia;
- Identify and limit known risk factors;
  - Prohibit phenothiazine (a sedative) use.
  - Identify/warn/limit beta blocker use.
- Assure the availability of an enclosed, heated environment on or adjacent to the site;
- Assure the availability of dry changes of clothes;
- Develop capability for temperature recording at the site; and
- Assure the availability of warm drinks.

#### **8.10.2 Monitoring**

Start (oral) temperature recording at the job site:

- At the Field Team Leader's discretion when suspicion is based on changes in worker's performance or mental status;
- At worker's request;
- As a screening measure, two times per shift, under unusually hazardous conditions (e.g., wind-chill less than 20°F, or wind-chill less than 30°F with precipitation); and
- As a screening measure whenever any one worker on the site develops hypothermia.

Any person developing moderate hypothermia (a core temperature of 92°F) cannot return to work for 48 hours.

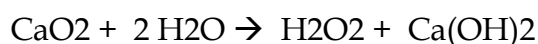
## **8.11 Site-Specific Risk Analysis**

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### **8.11.1 Chemical Hazards**

All intrusive activities at Site 15 property should be considered to have potentially impacted soil. The primary chemical hazards have been identified in [Section 5.0](#). These compounds are most likely to have adverse effects if encountered in a significant quantity during field activities.

In addition, the residual treatment at the bottom of the excavation will be an engineered calcium peroxide (CaO<sub>2</sub>). The CaO<sub>2</sub> reaction with water (H<sub>2</sub>O) is as follows:



For every mole of CaO<sub>2</sub> mixed with two moles of water, a mole of oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>) and a mole of calcium hydroxide (Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub>) are produced. A typical Material Safety Data Sheet is presented in Attachment A. Storage and handling of this type of material will be performed as discussed in Attachment A and as summarized below.

**STORAGE:** Keep material dry. Store in a clean cool place. Do not store near or expose to heat sources i.e., steam pipes, radiant heaters, hot hair vents or welding sparks. Avoid contact with reducing agents. Reacts with moisture. Keep container tightly closed when not in use.

HANDLING: Avoid contact by using personal protective equipment. Use respiratory protective equipment when release of airborne dust is expected. Do not mix with organics or combustible materials.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:

EYES AND FACE: Chemical goggles or face shield.

RESPIRATORY: Use approved dust respirator with full face piece.

GLOVES: Rubber or neoprene gloves. Thoroughly wash the outside of gloves with soap and water prior to removal. Inspect regularly for leaks.

PROTECTIVE CLOTHING: Long sleeve shirt, impervious apron or clothing.

Rubber or neoprene footwear.

ENGINEERING CONTROLS: Provide mechanical local exhaust ventilation to prevent release of dust into the work area. If release is expected use respiratory protection.

COMMENTS: VENTILATION: Provide mechanical general and/or local exhaust ventilation to prevent release of dust into work environment. If ventilation is inadequate or not available, use dust respirator and eye protection.

*8.11.12 Direct Contact*

For excavation related work, Level D personal protective equipment, should be used by all personnel in areas potentially impacted by past activities. Level D equipment will require a hard hat and steel toed boots. Nitrile or latex gloves should provide adequate protection from direct contact hazards.

*8.11.13 Volatile Compounds (Vapor Pressure >10 mm Hg)*

Of the listed volatile chemicals, benzene has the lowest PEL as set by OSHA and hence sets the action limit for monitoring with a PID. For any activities taking place in areas of potential site contaminants, continuous measurements shall be taken in the breathing zone with a PID equipped with a 10.6 eV lamp.

Background PID levels should be taken initially upwind from planned site activities. If, during site activities, PID readings reach 5 ppm above background levels in the breathing zone (and are sustained for 15 minutes), then all personnel must upgrade to Level C personal protective gear. Upon upgrading to Level C, a Draeger benzene 2/a color detector tube (part number 8101231) should be used to verify the absence of benzene. If benzene is greater than 5 ppm, all personnel must upgrade to Level B or retreat until air monitoring shows that concentrations have fallen below 5 ppm so that work may continue in a lower level of protection.

Furthermore, if PID readings reach 25 ppm above background (sustained for 15 minutes), then personnel should retreat and consult the Parsons Health and Safety Officer before deciding to upgrade to Level B equipment.

An upper limit of 5 ppm for PID readings for Level D work is specified in this health and safety plan. It is our experience that this upper limit will prevent over-exposures to benzene. Due to the calibration to isobutylene, the Photovac MicroTIP 2000 PID benzene response will be twice as high as the actual benzene concentrations. Thus, a pure benzene vapor of 2.5 ppm will cause the PID to read 5 ppm. Furthermore, based on experience at other sites, detectable levels of total organic vapors typically consist of other volatile constituents such as xylene, toluene and ethyl benzene in addition to benzene. The PID will detect the sum total of these volatiles.

When 5 ppm is reached on the PID response, actual benzene levels should remain below occupational limit values. To verify that this is the case, workers are to use the specified Draeger tube to check for the presence of benzene. It is our experience that Draeger tube screening with the 2/a benzene tube has not shown measurable levels of benzene in worker breathing zones or downwind from drilling areas when PID readings have reached 5 ppm. The Draeger benzene 2/a tube is specified for this use as it is the only Draeger-manufactured tube which does not respond positively to the presence of ethyl benzene, toluene or xylenes vapors. The 2/a tube has a limit of detection of 2 ppm.

#### **8.11.2 Summary of Work Area Action Levels**

Based on a review of the potential chemical hazards at the site, the following conditions will determine the level of protective equipment that will be used by personnel while on-site:

**Conditions for Level D:** - All areas

PID readings < 5 ppm.

**Conditions for Level C:** - All areas

- PID readings > 5 ppm and < 25 ppm, and
- Draeger™ benzene 2/a tube readings < 2 ppm, or
- Any visible fugitive dust emissions from site activities that disturb contaminated soil.

**Conditions for Level B (or retreat):** - All areas

- PID readings > 25 ppm, or
- Draeger™ benzene 2/a Tube readings > 2 ppm.

## SECTION 9.0

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***SITE PREPARATION, ZONES, AND SECURITY*****9.1 Purpose**

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OSHA requires (29 CFR Part 1910.120[d]) that a site control program be developed before the initiation of hazardous waste operations. The purpose of this guideline is to establish site control principles that will minimize potential contamination for contractor personnel and protect the public from the site's hazards.

**9.2 Guidelines**

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The activities required during hazardous waste operations involve the movement of materials (contaminants) from the site to unaffected areas. Contractor personnel and equipment may become contaminated and carry the materials into clean areas. Contaminants may become airborne because of their volatility, or the disturbance of contaminated soil may cause it to become wind blown. Contamination control procedures are needed and will reduce the transfer of hazardous substances from the site.

Several site control procedures can be implemented to reduce worker and public exposure to chemical, biologic, physical, and safety hazards:

- Compile a site map;
- Establish work zones;
- Use the buddy system when necessary;
- Establish and strictly enforce decontamination procedures for both personnel and equipment (see [Section 10.0](#));
- Establish site security measures as needed;
- Set up communication networks;

- Enforce safe work practices;
- When contaminants other than those previously identified are handled;
- When different operations are begun;
- When employees are handling leaking drums or working with obvious liquid contamination;
- When weather conditions change; and
- Field operations are to be conducted with a minimum of two persons on site. For operations requiring Level B personal protective equipment a minimum of three people will be required.

### **9.3 Site Work Zones**

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One method of preventing or reducing the migration of contamination is to delineate zones on the site where prescribed operations occur. Movement of personnel and equipment between zones and onto the site itself would be limited by access control points. By these means, contamination would be expected to be contained within certain relatively small areas on the site and its potential for spread minimized. Three contiguous zones are recommended. Please note: The Soil Source Area Removal is the removal of non-hazardous petroleum products and the establishment of work zones will only be instituted when Level D Action Levels are exceeded.

#### **9.3.1 Exclusion Zone**

The Exclusion Zone is an area where contamination does or could occur. Major activities that are performed in the Exclusion Zone include:

- Site characterization, such as mapping, photographing, and sampling;
- Installation of wells for groundwater monitoring; and
- Cleanup work, such as drum movement, drum staging, and materials bulking.

Everyone entering the Exclusion Zone must wear prescribed levels of protection. An entry and exit check point must be established at the

periphery of the Exclusion Zone to regulate the flow of contractor personnel and equipment in and out of the zone and to verify that the procedures established to exit and enter are followed.

The outer boundary of the Exclusion Zone, the Hotline, is initially established by visually surveying the immediate environs of the incident and determining where the hazardous substances involved are located; where any drainage, leachate, or spilled material is; and whether any discolorations are visible. Guidance in determining the boundaries is also provided by data from the initial site survey indicating the presence of organic or inorganic vapors/gases or particulates in air, combustible gases, and radiation, or the results of water and soil sampling.

Additional factors that should be considered include the distances needed to prevent fire or an explosion from affecting contractor personnel outside the zone, the physical area necessary to conduct site operations, and the potential for contaminants to be blown from the area. Once the Hotline has been determined, it should be physically secured, fenced, or well defined by landmarks. During subsequent site operations, the boundary may be modified and adjusted as more information becomes available.

### **9.3.2 Contamination Reduction Zone**

The Contamination Reduction Zone (CRZ) is located between the contaminated area and clean area. This zone is designed to reduce the probability that the clean Support Zone will become contaminated and/or affected by other hazards on site. The distance between the Exclusion Zone and Support Zone provided by the CRZ, together with decontamination of workers and equipment, limits the physical transfer of hazardous chemicals into clean areas. The degree of contamination in the CRZ decreases as one moves from the Exclusion Zone to Support Zone because of the distance and the decontamination procedures.

The boundary between the Support Zone and the CRZ, the Contamination Control Line, separates the possibly low contamination area from the clean Support Zone. Access to the CRZ from the Support Zone is through a control point. Contractor personnel entering through the control point must wear the prescribed PPE, for working in the CRZ. Entering the Support Zone requires removal of any protective equipment worn in the CRZ.



### **9.3.3 Support Zone**

The Support Zone, the outermost part of the site, is considered noncontaminated or clean area. The Support Zone is the location of the administrative and other support functions necessary to maintain smooth operations in the Exclusion Zone and CRZ. Contractor personnel may wear normal work clothes in this area. Any potentially contaminated equipment or clothing must be decontaminated before entry into this area.

The location of the Support Zone depends on a number of factors including:

- Accessibility: topography; open space available; locations of highways, railroad tracks; or other limitations;
- Wind direction: preferably the support facilities should be located upwind of the Exclusion Zone. However, shifts in wind direction and other conditions may be such that an ideal location based on wind direction along does not exist; and
- Resources: adequate roads, power lines, water, and shelter.

## **9.4 Site Security**

Site security at a hazardous waste site is necessary to:

- Prevent the exposure of unauthorized, unprotected people to the site hazards;
- Prevent theft; and
- Avoid interference with safe working procedures.

During the work day, site security can consist of:

- Assign responsibility for enforcing authority for entry and exit requirements;
- Maintain security in the Support Zone and at Access Control Points;
- If the site is not fenced, post signs around the perimeter; and

- Have the Field Team Leader approve all visitors to the site. Make sure they have a valid purpose for entering the site. Have trained site personnel accompany visitors at all times.

During off duty hours, site security can consist of:

- If needed, use security guards to patrol the site boundary. Guards must be fully apprised of the hazards at the site; and
- Secure the equipment.

## **9.5 Site Communication**

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Two communication systems should be established during hazardous waste operations; an internal communication among contractor personnel on site, and an external communication between onsite and off site contractor personnel.

Internal communication at site is used to:

- Alert personnel to emergencies;
- Convey safety information (e.g., amount of time left in air tanks, heat stress check, etc.);
- Communicate changes in the work to be performed; and
- Maintain site control.

Often at a site, communications can be impeded by background noise and the use of PPE. For communications to be effective, commands must be prearranged. In addition, audio or visual cues can aid in conveying the message. Some common internal communication devices are: two way radios, noisemakers (e.g., bells, whistles, compressed air horns, etc.), and visual signals (e.g., flags, hand signals, and lights). Radios used in the Exclusion Zone must be intrinsically safe and not capable of sparking.

An external communication system between onsite and off site contractor personnel is necessary to:

- Report to management;
- Coordinate emergency response; and

- Maintain contact with essential off site contractor personnel.

The primary means of external communication is the telephone. If a telephone is not present at the site, all team members must know where the nearest phone is located. The correct change and necessary phone number should be readily available.

## **9.6 Safe Work Practices**

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To ensure a strong safety awareness during hazardous waste operations, a list of standing orders stating the practices that may never occur in contaminated areas should be developed. Sample standing orders for contractor personnel entering an Exclusion Zone may include:

- No smoking, eating, drinking, or application of cosmetics in this zone;
- No matches or lighters in this zone;
- Check in at the entrance Access Control Point before you enter this zone;
- Check out at the exit Access Control Point before you leave this zone;
- Always have your buddy with you in this zone;
- Wear an air purifying respirator in this zone; and
- If you discover any signs of radioactivity, explosivity, or unusual conditions such as dead animals at the site, exit immediately and report this finding to your supervisor.

Standing orders should be posted conspicuously at the site. In addition to standing orders, contractor personnel should be briefed on the chemical information of the site contaminant at the beginning of the project. Daily site safety meetings should be held for field team members and any other site contractor personnel.

Working with tools and heavy equipment is a major hazard at sites. Injuries can result from equipment hitting personnel, impacts from flying objects, burns from hot objectives, and damage to protective equipment such as supplied air respirator systems. The following precautions will help prevent injuries because of such hazards:

- Keep all heavy equipment that is used in the Exclusion Zone in that zone until the job is done. Completely decontaminate such equipment before moving it into the clean zone;
- Train personnel in proper operating procedures;
- Install appropriate equipment guards and engineering controls on tools and equipment;
- Where portable electric tools and appliances can be used (i.e., where there is no potential for flammable or explosive conditions), use three wire grounded extension cords to prevent electric shocks;
- Keep all non essential people out of the work area;
- Prohibit loose fitting clothing around moving machinery;
- Do not exceed the rated load capacity of a vehicle; and
- Do not operate cranes or derricks within 10 feet of power lines.

## SECTION 10.0

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***DECONTAMINATION PROCEDURES*****10.1 Purpose**

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To establish fundamental decontamination principles to be used as a guide on developing site and activity specific decontamination procedures.

**10.2 Guidelines**

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Contractor personnel responding to hazardous substance incidents may become contaminated during the course of their work at a site. Protective clothing and respirators help to prevent the wearer from becoming contaminated or inhaling contaminants. Good work practices help reduce the contamination of protective clothing, instruments, and equipment. Even with these safeguards, contamination may occur. Harmful materials can be transferred into clean areas, exposing unprotected personnel. In removing contaminated clothing, personnel may come into direct contact with and/or inhale contaminants. To prevent such occurrences, contamination reduction and decontamination procedures must be developed and implemented. Such procedures are to be in place before anyone enters a hazardous area and must continue (modified if necessary) throughout the period of operation.

Decontamination consists of physically removing contaminants and/or converting them chemically into innocuous substances. The extent of decontamination depends on a number of factors, the most important being the type of contaminants involved. The more harmful the contaminant, the more extensive and thorough the decontamination required. Combining decontamination, the correct donning of protective equipment, and the zoning of site work areas minimizes the possibility of cross-contamination from protective clothing to wearer, or from equipment to workers. Only general guidance can be given on methods and techniques for decontamination. The exact procedure is determined by evaluating several factors specific to the site.

### **10.3 Initial Planning**

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The initial decontamination plan is based on the assumption that all contractor personnel and equipment leaving the Exclusion Zone (area of potential contamination) are grossly contaminated. The plan includes a system for washing and rinsing, at least once, all of the protective equipment worn. The washing and rinsing are done in combination with a sequential doffing of clothing, starting at the first station with the most heavily contaminated article and progressing to the last station with the least contaminated article.

### **10.4 Contamination Avoidance**

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Contamination avoidance is the best method for preventing the spread of contamination from a hazardous waste site. While planning site operations, methods are to be developed to prevent the contamination of personnel and equipment. Each person involved in site operations must regularly practice the basic methods of site contamination avoidance listed below.

- Know the limitations of all protective equipment being used;
- Do not enter a contaminated area unless it is necessary to carry out a specific objective;
- Avoid touching anything unnecessarily when in a contaminated area;
- Walk around pools of liquids, discolored areas, or any area that shows evidence of possible contamination;
- Walk upwind of contamination, if possible;
- Do not sit or lean against anything in a contaminated area. If you have to kneel (e.g., to take samples), use a plastic ground sheet;
- Before sampling any hazardous waste, read the label and manifest (if available) for all containers to determine the identity of the substance to be sampled and the potential contamination hazard;
- Check for potential incompatibility of wastes while checking for waste contents. These conditions might be caused by heat, fire, or gas; an explosion; the contact of water and alkali metals; violent polymerization; or solubilization of toxic substances. Check waste

containers for evidence of these conditions such as bulged drums, blistered paint, exploded drums, bubbles, dead vegetation, or melted plastic;

- Avoid setting sampling equipment directly on contaminated areas. Place equipment on a protective cover such as a ground cloth; and
- Use the proper tools necessary to safely conduct the study.

Where possible, plan very specific methods to reduce the risk of contamination. Using remote sampling techniques, opening containers by non manual means, bagging monitoring instruments, using drum grapplers, watering down dusty areas, and avoiding areas of obvious contamination reduces the possibility of contamination and precludes elaborate decontamination procedures.

## **10.5 Site Organization**

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An area within the CRZ is designated the Contamination Reduction Corridor (CRC). The CRC controls access into and out of the Exclusion Zone and confines personnel decontamination activities to a limited area. The size of the corridor depends on the number of stations in the decontamination procedure, the overall dimension of work controls zones, and the amount of space available at the site. A corridor of 75 feet by 15 feet should be adequate for full decontamination. Whenever possible, it should be a straight path. The CRC boundaries should be conspicuously marked, with entry and exit restricted. The boundary between the Exclusion Zone and the CRZ is referred to as the hotline. Contractor personnel exiting the Exclusion Zone must go through the CRC. Anyone in the CRC should be wearing the level of protection designated for the decontamination crew. Within the CRC, distinct areas are set aside for decontamination of personnel, portable field equipment, and clothing. These areas must be marked and restricted to those workers wearing the appropriate protection. All activities within the corridor are confined to decontamination. The level of decontamination must be spelled out in the project health and safety plan.

Protective clothing, respirators, monitoring equipment, sampling supplies, and other equipment are all maintained in a support area outside of the CRC. Contractor personnel don their protective equipment (dressout) away from the CRC and enter the Exclusion Zone through a separate access control point at the hotline.

## 10.6 Decontamination Guidance

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The protection selected for an investigation and the specific pieces of clothing worn in the exclusion zone dictate the items required and layout of the decontamination line. Different degrees of protection present a different situation with respect to the type of decontamination procedure required. Level C and D protection and decontamination procedures are anticipated for Site 15.

The reason for leaving the Exclusion Zone determines the need for and extent of decontamination. Also, the time required for worker decontamination must be determined and incorporated in the scheduling of site activities. A worker leaving the Exclusion Zone to pick up or drop off tools or instruments and immediately returning may not require full decontamination. A worker leaving to get a new air cylinder or change a respirator or canisters, however, would require some degree of decontamination. Contractor personnel wearing self contained breathing apparatuses must leave their work areas with sufficient air to walk to the CRC and go through decontamination. Contractor personnel departing the CRC at break time, lunchtime, or the end of the day must be thoroughly decontaminated.

The type of decontamination equipment, materials, and supplies are generally selected on the basis of availability. The ease of equipment decontamination and disposability are also considered. Most equipment and supplies are easily procured. Soft bristle scrub brushes or long-handle brushes are used to remove contaminants. Buckets of water or garden sprayers are used for rinsing. Large galvanized wash tubs, stock tanks, or children's wading pools can be used as containers for wash and rinse solutions. Large plastic garbage cans or containers lined with plastic bags are useful for the storage of contaminated clothing and equipment, and metal or plastic cans or drums are useful for the storage of contaminated liquids. Other gear includes paper or cloth towels for drying protective clothing and equipment.

Heavy equipment such as bulldozers, trucks, backhoes, and drilling equipment are difficult to decontaminate. The method generally used is to wash them with water under high pressure and scrub accessible parts with detergent/water solution, also under pressure if possible. Particular attention should be given to tires, scoops, and other components that directly contact contaminated areas. Provisions should be made to collect rinsate for treatment or disposal.



Protective equipment is usually decontaminated by scrubbing with detergent water using a soft-bristle brush followed by rinsing with copious amounts of water. While this process may not be fully effective in removing some contaminants (in some instances the contaminants may react with water), it is a relatively safe option compared to the use of a decontaminating solution. The contaminant must be identified before a decontamination chemical is used, and reactions of such a chemical with unidentified substances or mixtures could be especially troublesome.

Sampling devices and tools may require special cleaning depending on the specific contaminants found at the site. General decontamination procedures should typically be followed.

## **10.7 Extent of Decontamination Required**

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The project health and safety plan must be adapted to specific conditions. These conditions may require more or less personnel decontamination than was incorporated into the initial plan, depending on the following factors:

- **Type of contaminant.** The extent of personnel decontamination depends on the effects the contaminants have on the body. Whenever it is known or suspected that personnel can come in contact with highly toxic or skin destructive substances, full decontamination procedures should be followed. If less hazardous materials are involved, the procedure can be downgraded.
- **Amount of contamination.** The amount of contamination on the protective clothing is usually determined visually. If the clothing is badly contaminated, a thorough decontamination is generally required. Gross materials remaining on the protective clothing for any extended period of time may degrade or permeate it. This likelihood increases with higher air concentrations and greater amounts of liquid contamination. Gross contamination also increases the probability of personnel contact.
- **Level of protection.** The level of protection and specific pieces of clothing worn determine, on a preliminary basis, the layout of the decontamination line. Each level of protection incorporates different problems in decontamination such as the harness straps and backpack assembly of the self-contained breathing apparatus. A butyl rubber apron worn over the harness makes decontamination easier. Clothing

variations and different levels of protection may require adding or deleting stations in the original decontamination procedure.

- **Work function.** The work each person does determines the potential for contact with hazardous materials. In turn, this dictates the layout of the decontamination line. For example, observers, photographers, operators of air samplers, or others in the Exclusion Zone performing tasks that will not bring them in contact with contaminants may not need to have their garments washed and rinsed. Others in the Exclusion Zone with a potential for direct contact with the hazardous material will require a more thorough decontamination. Different decontamination lines could be set up for different job functions, or certain stations in a line could be omitted for personnel performing certain tasks.
- **Location of contamination.** Contamination on the upper areas of the protective clothing poses a greater risk to the worker because volatile compounds may generate a hazardous breathing concentration both for the worker and for the decontamination personnel. There is also an increased probability of contact with skin when removing clothing from the upper body.

## **10.8 Testing the Effectiveness of Decontamination**

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Decontamination methods vary in their effectiveness for removing chemicals. The decontamination method chosen for a site should be assessed at the beginning of the program and periodically throughout the program by the Project Health and Safety Manager. If contaminants are not being removed or are permeating protective clothing, the decontamination program should be changed. The following methods may be useful in assessing the effectiveness of decontamination:

- **Natural light.** Discolorations, stains, corrosive effects, visible dirt, or alterations in clothing fabric may indicate that contaminants have not been removed. Not all contaminants leave visible traces; many contaminants can permeate clothing and are not easily observed.
- **Ultraviolet light.** Certain contaminants, such as polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, which are common in many refined oils and solvent wastes, fluoresce and can be visually detected when exposed to ultraviolet light. Ultraviolet light can be used to observe contamination of skin, clothing, and equipment. However, the use of

ultraviolet light can increase the risk of skin cancer and eye damage; therefore, a qualified health professional should assess the benefits and risks associated with ultraviolet light before its use at a waste site.

- Photoionization detector. A photoionization detector can be used to determine the effectiveness of the decontamination procedure in removing many volatile organic compound. However, this method would be ineffective in determining the extent of residual pesticides or metal on personal protective equipment because these substances are not volatile.
- Wipe testing. This method provides after the fact information on the effectiveness of decontamination. In this procedure, a dry or wet cloth, glass fiber filter paper, or swab is wiped over the surface of a contaminated object and then analyzed in a laboratory. Both the inner and outer surfaces of protective clothing should be tested. Skin may also be tested using wipe samples.

## **10.9 Decontamination during Medical Emergencies**

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The project health and safety plan should establish methods for decontaminating personnel with medical problems and injuries. It is possible that decontamination may aggravate or cause more serious health effects. If prompt life saving first aid and medical treatment is required, decontamination procedures should be omitted. Whenever possible, response personnel should accompany contaminated victims to the medical facility to advise on matters involving decontamination.

### **10.9.1 Physical Injury**

Physical injuries can range from a sprained ankle to a compound fracture, from a minor cut to massive bleeding. Depending on the seriousness of the injury, treatment may be given at the site by trained response personnel. For more serious injuries, additional assistance may be required at the site or the victim may have to be transported to a medical facility.

Life-saving care should be started immediately, without considering decontamination. The outside garments can be removed if they do not cause delays, interfere with treatment, or aggravate the problem. Respirators and backpack assemblies must always be removed. Fully encapsulating suits or chemical resistant clothing can be cut away. If the

outer contaminated garments cannot be safely removed, the individual should be wrapped in plastic, rubber, or blankets to help prevent contaminating medical personnel and the inside of ambulances. Outside garments are then removed at the medical facility. No attempt should be made to wash or rinse the victim at the site. One exception would be if it is known that the individual has been contaminated with an extremely toxic or corrosive material that could also cause severe injury or loss of life. For minor medical problems or injuries, the normal decontamination procedure should be followed.

### **10.9.2 Heat Stress**

Heat-related illnesses range from mild heat fatigue to a serious heat stroke. Heat stroke requires prompt treatment to prevent irreversible damage or death. Unless the victim is obviously contaminated, decontamination should be omitted or minimized and treatment begun immediately. Protective clothing may have to be cut off. Less serious stages of heat stress require prompt attention because they can lead to heat stroke.

### **10.9.3 Chemical Exposure**

Exposure to chemicals can be divided into two categories:

1. Injuries from direct contact, such as acid burns or inhalation of toxic chemicals.
2. Potential injury caused by gross contamination on clothing or equipment.

For inhaled contaminants, treatment can only be performed by qualified physicians. If the contaminant is on the skin or in the eyes, immediate measures must be taken to counteract the substance's effect. First aid treatment generally includes flooding the affected area with water. For a few chemicals, water may cause more severe problems.

When protective clothing is grossly contaminated, contaminants may be transferred to treatment personnel or the wearer and cause injuries. Unless severe medical problems have occurred simultaneously with splashes, the protective clothing should be washed off as rapidly as possible and carefully removed.

## **10.10 Closure of the CRC**

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When the CRC is no longer needed, it must be closed down by the operators. All disposable clothing and plastic sheeting used during the operation must be double-bagged and either contained on site or removed to an approved off site disposal facility. Decontamination and rinse solutions should be discarded on site if approved by regulatory agencies or it must be removed to an approved disposal facility. Reusable rubber clothing should be dried and prepared for future use (if gross contamination had occurred, additional decontamination of these items may be required). Cloth items must be bagged and removed from the site for final cleaning. Commercial laundries or cleaning establishments that decontaminate protective clothing or equipment shall be informed of the potentially harmful effects of exposures to hazardous substances. All wash tubs, pails, containers, etc., must be thoroughly washed, rinsed, and dried before removal from the site.

## **10.11 Necessary Equipment**

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Based on the expected levels and types of contaminants at the site, modifications to the OSHA-specified modifications, the equipment listed below may be necessary for personnel decontamination.

## **10.12 Equipment Decontamination**

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Sampling equipment such as split spoon samplers, probes, and stainless steel bowls and spoons will be decontaminated before each use and at the end of the day. Decontamination procedures include:

- Rinse with potable water;
- Wash with phosphate-free detergent;
- Rinse with potable water;
- Rinse with technical grade methanol;
- Rinse with deionized water; and

- Allow to air dry.

### **10.13 Excavation Equipment Decontamination**

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The excavation equipment will be hand-cleaned and sampling equipment will be decontaminated prior to moving offsite. The equipment will be decontaminated in the following manner:

- The excavation equipment will be hand cleaned to remove gross contamination; and
- Equipment will be air-dried.

An excavation hierarchy (from less-likely to more-likely contaminated locations) will be imposed to reduce the potential for cross contamination.

All sampling equipment will be decontaminated prior to use at each sampling location. The sampling equipment will be decontaminated in the following manner:

- The sampling spoon and bowl will be washed with Alconox, rinsed with methanol, and rinsed with deionized water.

## SECTION 11.0

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***RECORDKEEPING***

Good record keeping is essential for an effective health and safety program that will meet the needs of the contractor and the requirements of state and federal laws and regulations. The following subsections describe the health and safety records that must be maintained.

**11.1 Health and Safety Training Records**

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Document all formal training of contractor personnel and have these records kept by the Program Health and Safety Manager. Retain these records in the contractor's project health and safety file separate from the normal personnel records.

- Each record of training must contain:
- Name and ID number of the person trained;
- Date of training;
- Content or scope of training provided;
- Names of the trainers; and
- Results of certification test (for 40-hour hazardous waste operations training).

Where it is required, field training (level B, instrumentation training, etc.) will be performed and documented by the Program Health and Safety Manager. These records will then be transferred to the contractor's health and safety files for permanent storage.

When an employee terminates, his or her training records are forwarded to the Corporate Health and Safety Manager. Each employee's training records are maintained during his or her employment with the contractor and for a period of 30 years after termination of employment with contractor.

## **11.2 Medical Surveillance Records**

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Two types of medical surveillance records must be kept: (1) The medical reports furnished by the physician to the Program Health and Safety Manager and (2) the clinical records of the employee's past medical history and the results of medical examinations.

### **11.2.1 Archival Storage of Medical Records**

OSHA requires that the employer maintain and preserve medical records on potentially exposed workers for 30 years after they leave employment. The contractor Corporate Health and Safety Manager will maintain the medical surveillance records of terminated employees in a locked file separate from other personnel records. The sealed files shall not be opened by or released to anyone except: (a) on express authorization by the employee – in which case copies of the records will be provided to the employee, (b) on direct order of a court, or (c) by order of an authorized federal or state OSHA representative.

### **11.2.2 Confidential Information**

The physician's opinion report must be treated as confidential information. A separate, locked file is to be maintained for the segregation and storage of these reports. This information can only be made available to the site Health and Safety Coordinator, and the employee. The employee may request to review the medical opinion. The Program Health and Safety Manager will then transfer the physician's statement to the employee. The Program Health and Safety Manager must properly record the transfer of the document. The medical information must be returned to the locked file at the conclusion of each day. Copies of the report cannot be issued to unauthorized personnel or organizations without the employee's written consent. Copies of all confidential information must be sent with an accompanying transmittal form.

## **11.3 OSHA 200 Form**

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The contractor is not required by federal law to maintain and post the OSHA No. 200 form (log and summary of occupational injuries and illnesses) because the contractor is classed under S.I.C (Standard Industrial Classification) code 8711, Engineering Services. (Our



laboratories would be S.I.C. code 8734.) Under federal law, facilities with S.I.C. codes 87xx are exempt from the reporting requirements. However, several states have their own occupational safety and health programs qualified under federal OSHA. These state program requirements differ in some respects from the federal requirements.

The contractor maintains an up-to-date OSHA 200 log. The Program Health and Safety Manager is responsible for maintaining the log and summary of all occupational injuries and illnesses occurring at the site.

Each injury or illness shall be recorded on the log as soon as practicable (but no later than six working days) after receiving information that an injury or illness has occurred. The OSHA 200 form is recommended for recording of this information.

The OSHA 200 form states that only 'recordable' (as defined on the form) injuries and illnesses be entered. However, all injuries and illnesses should be entered so that we have better information for evaluation of the contractor's health and safety program. Each recordable entry on the OSHA 200 form should be so marked. Injury and illness records shall be kept on a calendar year basis. The OSHA 200 form shall be retained in the contractor's corporate office for five years following the end of the year to which they pertain.

## **11.4 Audit Reports**

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A health and safety project audit refers to the auditing of project activities for compliance with the project health and safety plan, applicable contractor health and safety guidelines, and federal and state OSHA requirements. A project specific audit checklist will be developed based on the in the project health and safety plan. An example of areas that will be addressed in an audit checklist for hazardous waste site investigations include:

- Decontamination procedures;
- Air-monitoring procedures;
- Emergency planning;
- Completeness of Site Health and Safety Plan;
- Choice of level of protection;

- Documentation of respirator fit-testing; and
- Documentation of health and safety training.

Audit reports will be prepared by the Program Health and Safety Manager after gathering and evaluating all available data. Items, activities, or documents determined to be deficient shall be identified at the post-audit meeting with the audited team. Deficiencies will be logged, documented, and controlled through Health and Safety Audit Notices that should be attached as part of the audit report. Project audit reports are sent to the Program and Project Manager.

Responses to audit findings must be addressed in a specified and timely manner. The adequacy of the response shall be evaluated by the Program health and Safety Manager. For a response to be considered adequate, it must:

1. Correct the situation that created the deficient conditions.
2. Provide a mechanism for preventing recurrence of the situation.
3. Identify the target date for the completion of these activities.

If the response is satisfactory, this fact will be noted on the Health and Safety Audit Notice form. After all notices have been accepted, the Program Health and Safety Manager will close out the audit report. Copies of the audit report and responses may be distributed to the appropriate levels of management.

## **11.5 Access to Other Health and Safety Records**

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The majority of health and safety documents (accident reports, audit reports, etc.) shall be stored and maintained in a file with controlled access. Entry into the file shall be restricted to personnel designated by the Program Health and Safety Manager.

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## APPENDIX A



### *PERTINENT HEALTH AND SAFETY DOCUMENTS*

# Incident Investigation Form



FOR ERM MANAGEMENT INTERNAL USE ONLY, CONFIDENTIAL - WITHOUT PREJUDICE REPORT

**Instructions:** Aim to complete **Part 1 of this form within 24 hours** after the incident and complete **Part 2 within 3 working days** after the incident. In addition to the Project Manager and OpCo Health and Safety Coordinator, who are primarily involved with the investigation, please ensure that the following individuals are made aware of the incident at least verbally within 24 hours and receive the completed incident form as soon as it is completed: **Branch Manager; Corporate H&S Director, OpCo President, and Regional CEO.** Based on the requirements of the company's claims reporting procedure (which shall be updated from time to time), if necessary, the OpCo President will notify the company's Legal Department. The OpCo H&S Coordinator should keep paper or electronic copies of these reports. If a piece of information does not apply, put N/A in the block.

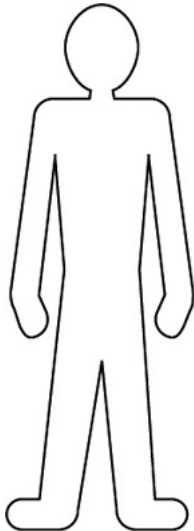
## I. INJURY AND ILLNESS DATA AND SUMMARY

Date and time of incident Date:                      Time:		Location of incident (Name and address)	
Time injured employee started work on day of incident		Weather conditions	
Reported by	Date reported	List any witnesses	
Project Number	Project Manager	Principal-in-Charge	
Injured employee's name		Injured employee's department or practice area	
Injured sub-contractor's name		Injured sub-contractor's employer	
Injured person's sex Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>		Injured employee's date of hire at ERM	
Type of Incident (check one) <input type="checkbox"/> First aid/minor injury <input type="checkbox"/> All other injuries <input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle accident <input type="checkbox"/> Property damage <input type="checkbox"/> Near miss			
What activity/task was taking place just prior to the incident? (Describe the activity/task as well as tools, equipment and material involved that set the stage for the incident. What was the worker doing?)			

What changed about the situation or task to cause the incident? How did the incident happen? (Describe in detail the incident.)	
If the incident involved an injury, describe it. (e.g., cut to left ring finger, sprained right ankle, snake bite to left shin, pulled muscles in the lower back)	
Immediate actions taken (Describe actions taken and by whom immediately after the incident occurred.)	
What object or substance directly harmed the employee? (Examples, concrete floor, chlorine, H2S, manhole cover. If this question does not apply to the incident, write N/A.)	
If medical treatment was given away from worksite, state name and mailing address of both the facility and treating health care professional.	
Was employee treated in an emergency room? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Was employee hospitalized overnight as an in-patient? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Additional Consequences of incident (Describe damage to property/equipment, consequences to other employees or community, schedule.)	
If the employee died, give date of death.	
Is the incident recordable/reportable under any governmental requirement? (To be completed by OpCo Health and Safety Coordinator) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Name of person making determination	

How many photos of the scene were taken?

**(If completed manually)** Please note the position of the injury on the diagram and sketch any other instructive diagrams here as well.



Name of person completing form

Signature of person completely form

Title of person completing form

Phone number of person  
completing form

Date form completed

**Instructions:** *This side of the form will be completed as directed by the OpCo Health and Safety Coordinator*

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## **II. CAUSES AND PLANS TO PREVENT RECURRENCE**

Actions leading to incident. (Check all that apply and explain.)

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|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Failure to observe warning | <input type="checkbox"/> Failure to use PPE     | <input type="checkbox"/> Failure to warn           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Delayed discovery          | <input type="checkbox"/> Procedure not followed | <input type="checkbox"/> Abuse/misuse of equipment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other                      |   |  |

Conditions leading to incident. (Check all that apply and explain.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Temperature/weather         | <input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate maintenance              | <input type="checkbox"/> Nature (animal, insects, plants) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of PPE                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of proper instructions         | <input type="checkbox"/> Construction deficiencies        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Improper design/engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Improper/defective tools/ equipment |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other                       |  |   |

Job factors leading to incident. (Check all that apply and explain.)

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|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership/supervision               | <input type="checkbox"/> Work practices      | <input type="checkbox"/> Defective tools/equipment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate communication             | <input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate training | <input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate inspections    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate work procedures/practices |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other                                |  |  |

Personal factors leading to incident. (Check all that apply and explain.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Physical capability | <input type="checkbox"/> Physical stress/fatigue | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental stress        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Knowledge of task   | <input type="checkbox"/> Employee skills         | <input type="checkbox"/> Attention to details |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other               |  |   |



Corrective Actions	Person responsible	Deadline	Date completed
1)	1)	1)	1)
2)	2)	2)	2)
3)	3)	3)	3)
4)	4)	4)	4)

# Task Hazard Analysis Worksheet

*In assessing the potential hazards, determine if one task description/ analysis is sufficient. If not, then develop additional task assessments with their own steps.*

## Task Description (Sequence of Steps):

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Check Applicable Task Hazard	Check the Planned or Recommended Hazard Control (write in others)
<input type="checkbox"/> Asphyxiation	<input type="checkbox"/> Ventilation <input type="checkbox"/> Supplied Air <input type="checkbox"/> Air monitoring
<input type="checkbox"/> Chemical Exposure	<input type="checkbox"/> Isolation, Lockout/Tagout <input type="checkbox"/> PPE <input type="checkbox"/> Respiratory Protection <input type="checkbox"/> Decontamination/ eyewash/ shower
<input type="checkbox"/> Harmful Dust	<input type="checkbox"/> Dust Suppression <input type="checkbox"/> PPE
<input type="checkbox"/> Thermal Burns <input type="checkbox"/> Hot Surface	<input type="checkbox"/> Splash Guard <input type="checkbox"/> Isolation, Lockout/Tagout <input type="checkbox"/> PPE <input type="checkbox"/> Equipment Covers <input type="checkbox"/> Barricades
<input type="checkbox"/> Slips, Wet Surface	<input type="checkbox"/> Clean Surface <input type="checkbox"/> Barricade <input type="checkbox"/> Walk Carefully/ Eyes on Path <input type="checkbox"/> Use alternate route
<input type="checkbox"/> Trips	<input type="checkbox"/> Relocate the trip hazards <input type="checkbox"/> Barricade <input type="checkbox"/> Use alternate path
<input type="checkbox"/> Falls <input type="checkbox"/> More than 4 feet	<input type="checkbox"/> Fall restraint, guardrails, barricades, short lanyard
<input type="checkbox"/> Electrical shock	<input type="checkbox"/> Isolation, LOTO <input type="checkbox"/> Testing <input type="checkbox"/> Grounding <input type="checkbox"/> Shielding on equipment <input type="checkbox"/> PPE <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Fault Interruption on electrical cords <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical expertise on project team
<input type="checkbox"/> Airborne/Flying material	<input type="checkbox"/> Cover/Shield source <input type="checkbox"/> PPE, Eye & Face <input type="checkbox"/> PPE, Arms & Body <input type="checkbox"/> Positioning
<input type="checkbox"/> Fire/ Explosion	<input type="checkbox"/> Isolation/LOTO <input type="checkbox"/> Air testing/monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> Control sources of ignition <input type="checkbox"/> Implement a "Hot Work" process <input type="checkbox"/> PPE <input type="checkbox"/> The correct fire extinguisher is available
<input type="checkbox"/> Heat/Cold Stress	<input type="checkbox"/> Ventilation <input type="checkbox"/> Cooling vests, etc. <input type="checkbox"/> Task rotation, Shared tasks <input type="checkbox"/> Work/Rest regimen <input type="checkbox"/> Planned place for sheltering
<input type="checkbox"/> High Noise	<input type="checkbox"/> Hearing Protection <input type="checkbox"/> Relocate Work <input type="checkbox"/> Muffle Source
<input type="checkbox"/> Poor Visibility	<input type="checkbox"/> Illumination is adequate for task <input type="checkbox"/> Nighttime considerations if the job <i>could</i> extend past daylight hours
<input type="checkbox"/> Lifting, pulling, pushing	<input type="checkbox"/> A plan is in place (people, devices, carts) <input type="checkbox"/> Handling equipment is designed for the job <input type="checkbox"/> Proper technique known/ discussed <input type="checkbox"/> Smaller, lighter loads? <input type="checkbox"/> Prepared for "unexpected release"

<input type="checkbox"/> Repetitive motion	<input type="checkbox"/> Proper technique known/ discussed <input type="checkbox"/> Proper tools, rather than manual <input type="checkbox"/> Get help, take breaks <input type="checkbox"/> Seek advice
<input type="checkbox"/> Rotating equipment	<input type="checkbox"/> Isolation, LOTO <input type="checkbox"/> Guarding, Barricading <input type="checkbox"/> No loose clothing <input type="checkbox"/> Positioning
<input type="checkbox"/> Pinch Points	<input type="checkbox"/> Guarding <input type="checkbox"/> Positioning
<input type="checkbox"/> Sharp objects	<input type="checkbox"/> Guarding <input type="checkbox"/> Gloves, safety shoes or boots <input type="checkbox"/> Substitute safe cutter for blade
<input type="checkbox"/> Falling objects	<input type="checkbox"/> Secure objects <input type="checkbox"/> Guarding, covers <input type="checkbox"/> Hard Hat <input type="checkbox"/> Barricading
<input type="checkbox"/> Hazards from others working in vicinity (particularly heavy equipment)	<input type="checkbox"/> Communication <input type="checkbox"/> Barricading <input type="checkbox"/> Shielding
<input type="checkbox"/> Hazards to other working in vicinity	<input type="checkbox"/> Communication <input type="checkbox"/> Barricading <input type="checkbox"/> Shielding
<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Spill	<input type="checkbox"/> Containment <input type="checkbox"/> Waste Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Waste Containers <input type="checkbox"/> Other
<input type="checkbox"/> Chemical Storage	<input type="checkbox"/> Container labeling and MSDSs <input type="checkbox"/> Incompatibles (acids/bases, flammables/oxidizers) considered <input type="checkbox"/> Control physical damage to containers
<input type="checkbox"/> Drowning	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal Floatation Device <input type="checkbox"/> Barricading <input type="checkbox"/> Working with a partner <input type="checkbox"/> Alerting Devices
<input type="checkbox"/> Ionizing Radiation	<input type="checkbox"/> Exposure Monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> PPE <input type="checkbox"/> Distance and/or shielding
<input type="checkbox"/> Nearby Road Traffic	<input type="checkbox"/> Bright colored work vests <input type="checkbox"/> Planned avoidance of traffic areas <input type="checkbox"/> Signs and lights to alert drivers
<input type="checkbox"/> Hazards not listed	List of Hazard Controls:

	YES	NO	N/A
Is a permit (Hot Work, Confined Space Entry, Process Line Breaking, LOTO) required for this ERM work task?			
If so is the client's procedure/policy supplied?			
Do you have the proper tools and/or equipment in good condition			
Have you planned an escape route?			
Was this Hazard Analysis reviewed with the project team performing this task?			

Developed By (Individual or Team Members)

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Developed: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed with the Following Project Employees:

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# SUBSURFACE CLEARANCE PROCEDURE **FIELD CHECKLIST**

*(Use this sheet to document basic field elements of SSC, and keep with project information)*

Site Name/Project No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Walkover Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 By (ERM/Client Names): \_\_\_\_\_

(ERM-MANAGED SUBSURFACE CLEARANCE ACTIVITIES)	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
<b>Preparation Tasks</b>	Observed?			
1. The potential for unexploded ordnance (UXO) has been assessed and a UXO survey performed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2. A site walk-over was conducted and above-ground indicators of underground utilities noted or mapped.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Telephone Lines	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Data lines/cable trench	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Gas pipes/storage tanks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Potable water pipes/fire water (sprinklers) pipes and hydrant lines	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Sewer lines (storm water/process water)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Steam lines (district) and heating lines	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Fuel oil lines/storage tanks (UST), incl. tankfield fill ports, observation wells, vent stacks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Lighting (street and traffic)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Other underground utilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Hydrants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Non-native soil	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Warning Tape	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Manholes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3. "Critical zone" decisions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• A mark has been placed on the map to limit surface disturbance within 10 feet of:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
○ Tanks, dispenser islands	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
○ Piping manifolds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
○ Pumps/pump galleries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
○ Loading racks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
○ Process equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
○ On- or below-grade transformers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
○ Compressors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
○ Underground chemical lines and high voltage utilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Form completed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# **ERM HOT WORK PERMIT**

**ALL TEMPORARY OPERATIONS INVOLVING OPEN FLAMES OR PRODUCING HEAT AND/OR SPARKS REQUIRE A HOT WORK PERMIT. THIS INCLUDES (BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO) WELDING, CUTTING, GRINDING, AND BRAZING.**

## **WARNING! HOT WORK IN PROGRESS WATCH FOR FIRE!**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ (Permit good for one shift only)

PROJECT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

WORK TO BEGIN: \_\_\_\_\_ AM/PM    ENDING AT: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

WORK TO BE DONE: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

WORK TO BE PERFORMED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME(S) OF FIRE WATCH: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS TAKEN: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

***SEE REVERSE SIDE***

***\*\*Completed Hot Work Permit must be kept in project file for at least one year\*\****

**HOT WORK SAFETY CHECKLIST: The person performing the work must complete the checklist below to ensure that the proper safety precautions have been met.**

1. Have all flammable or combustible materials been removed from the work area (at least 35 feet)? **YES / NO**
2. For any flammable or combustible materials cannot be removed, have they been properly covered by fire-resistive shields or tarpaulins? **YES / NO**
3. Are fixed fire-extinguishing systems in service (e.g. sprinklers, etc.)? **YES / NO**
4. Are adequate portable fire extinguishers provided? **YES / NO**
5. Has the affected area been cordoned off? **YES / NO**
6. Have wall or floor openings been properly covered? **YES / NO**
7. Is hot work equipment in good working condition? **YES / NO**
8. Fire watch provided during and for 30 minutes after work, including any breaks? **YES / NO**
9. Is hot work to be performed in a confined space (if yes, contact H&S Coordinator)? **YES / NO**

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PERSON PERFORMING WORK: I have been instructed and I understand the hazards, as well as the precautions necessary to do this work.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of person performing work*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date & Time*

**SITE SAFETY OFFICER VERIFICATION: I verify that the work site has been inspected, all necessary precautions have been taken to prevent fire, and the individual(s) listed on this permit are authorized to perform this work.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Site Safety Officer*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date & Time*

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**THIS SECTION TO BE FILLED OUT UPON COMPLETION OF WORK:**

**FIRE WATCH VERIFICATION: I have monitored the hot work area for at least 30 minutes following completion of the work and find the area to be in safe condition.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of fire watch*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date & Time*

**SITE SAFETY OFFICER VERIFICATION: I have inspected the work site at least 30 minutes after completion of the work and find the area to be in safe condition.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Site Safety Officer*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date & Time*

***\*\*Completed Hot Work Permit must be kept in project file for at least one year\*\****

APPENDIX B



*CaO<sub>2</sub> MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET  
AND  
HANDLING PROTOCOLS*

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

PermeOx® Plus



MSDS Ref. No.: 1305-79-9-2

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This document has been prepared to meet the requirements of the U.S. OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200; the Canada's Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) and, the EC Directive, 2001/58/EC.

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## 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

<b>PRODUCT NAME:</b>	PermeOx® Plus
<b>SYNONYMS:</b>	PermeOx-Solid Peroxygen, Calcium Superoxide, Calcium Peroxide
<b>GENERAL USE:</b>	Permeox is a solid peroxygen chemical designed for environmental applications. The product provides controlled release of oxygen in-situ which permeates throughout the substrate.

### MANUFACTURER

FMC CORPORATION  
Active Oxidants Division  
1735 Market Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19103  
(866) 860-4760 (General Information)

### EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

(800) 424-9300 (CHEMTREC - U.S.)  
(303) 595-9048 (Medical - Call Collect)  
  
(716) 879-0400 (Plant/Other)

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## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:

- Odorless, off-white fine granular solid.
- Oxidizer.
- Contact with combustibles may cause fire.
- Under fire conditions product may decompose releasing oxygen that intensifies fire.
- Deluge container with water at safe distance or in protected area.
- Severely irritating to the eyes.

**POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:** Airborne dust may be irritating to eyes, nose, throat and lungs. No significant long term inhalation hazard; irritation usually subsides after exposure ceases.

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### 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical Name	CAS#	Wt. %	EC No.	EC Class
Calcium Peroxide	1305-79-9	>75	215-139-4	Not classified as hazardous
Calcium Hydroxide	1305-62-0	<25	215-137-3	Not classified as hazardous

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### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**EYES:** Immediately flush with water for at least 15 minutes, lifting the upper and lower eyelids intermittently. See a medical doctor or ophthalmologist immediately.

**SKIN:** Wash with plenty of soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation occurs and persists.

**INGESTION:** Rinse mouth with water. Dilute by giving 1 or 2 glasses of water. Do not induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. See a medical doctor immediately.

**INHALATION:** Remove to fresh air. If breathing difficulty or discomfort occurs and persists, obtain medical attention.

**NOTES TO MEDICAL DOCTOR:** Modest irritation is the only expected effect, and should have no serious consequences except perhaps in the case of direct eye contact. Contaminated external surfaces should be flooded with water, and direct eye contact deserves ophthalmologic evaluation. If ingested, gastrointestinal irritation but not caustic burns are to be expected; dilution with water indicated as may be gastric evacuation via emesis or lavage if large doses or severe irritation is evident. Demulcents should be helpful. No systemic effects are expected though human toxicity data is sparse.

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### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** Deluge with plenty of water.

**FIRE / EXPLOSION HAZARDS:** Under fire conditions may decompose and release oxygen gas. Mixtures with polysulfide polymers may ignite.

**FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES:** Use flooding quantities of water. Use water spray to keep fire exposed containers cool.

**FLAMMABLE LIMITS:** Non-combustible



**SENSITIVITY TO IMPACT:** Oxidizable materials can be ignited by grinding and may become explosive.

**SENSITIVITY TO STATIC DISCHARGE:** Not available

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**RELEASE NOTES:** Confine spill and place into container; dilute with a large quantity of water for disposal. Do not return product to the original container. Runoff to sewer may create fire or explosion hazard (do not flush powdered material to sewer).

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**HANDLING:** Avoid contact by using personal protective equipment. Use respiratory protective equipment when release of airborne dust is expected. If compounded with organics or combustible materials be sure to exclude moisture.

**STORAGE:** Keep material dry. Store in a clean cool place. Do not store near or expose to heat sources i.e., steam pipes, radiant heaters, hot hair vents or welding sparks. Avoid contact with reducing agents. Reacts with moisture. Keep container tightly closed when not in use.

**COMMENTS:** VENTILATION: Provide mechanical general and/or local exhaust ventilation to prevent release of dust into work environment. If ventilation is inadequate or not available, use dust respirator and eye protection.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### EXPOSURE LIMITS

Chemical Name	ACGIH	OSHA	Supplier
Calcium Hydroxide	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (TWA)	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (TWA)	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (TWA)

**ENGINEERING CONTROLS:** Provide mechanical local exhaust ventilation to prevent release of dust into the work area. If release is expected use respiratory protection.

### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

**EYES AND FACE:** Chemical goggles or face shield.

**RESPIRATORY:** Use approved dust respirator with full face piece.

**PROTECTIVE CLOTHING:** Long sleeve shirt, impervious apron or clothing.  
Rubber or neoprene footwear.

**GLOVES:** Rubber or neoprene gloves. Thoroughly wash the outside of gloves with soap and water prior to removal. Inspect regularly for leaks.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>ODOR:</b>	None
<b>APPEARANCE:</b>	Off-white fine granular solid
<b>AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE:</b>	Non-combustible
<b>BOILING POINT:</b>	No data available
<b>COEFFICIENT OF OIL / WATER:</b>	Not available
<b>DENSITY / WEIGHT PER VOLUME:</b>	Approximately 27 lb/ft <sup>3</sup>
<b>EVAPORATION RATE:</b>	Not applicable (Butyl Acetate = 1)
<b>FLASH POINT:</b>	Not applicable
<b>MELTING POINT:</b>	Decomposes on heating (About 275°C)
<b>ODOR THRESHOLD:</b>	Not available
<b>OXIDIZING PROPERTIES:</b>	Oxidizer
<b>PERCENT VOLATILE:</b>	Not applicable
<b>pH:</b>	(1% solution) @ 25°C: Slurry 10.5 - 11.8
<b>SOLUBILITY IN WATER:</b>	Slightly soluble
<b>SPECIFIC GRAVITY:</b>	Approximately 2.92 (H <sub>2</sub> O=1)
<b>VAPOR DENSITY:</b>	Not applicable (Air = 1)
<b>VAPOR PRESSURE:</b>	Not applicable

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

<b>CONDITIONS TO AVOID:</b>	Heat (decomposes at 275°C), moisture, reducing agents. Grinding with organics.
<b>STABILITY:</b>	Stable (decomposition could occur when exposed to heat or moisture)
<b>POLYMERIZATION:</b>	Will not occur
<b>INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS:</b>	Grinding mixtures with organics (oxidizable materials can be ignited by grinding and may become explosive); heavy metals.

**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:** Oxygen that supports combustion and calcium hydroxide.

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**EYE EFFECTS:** Severely irritating to unwashed eyes.  
Minimally irritating to washed eyes. (rabbit) [Ref. FMC I88-1053]

**SKIN EFFECTS:** Non-irritating (rabbit) [Ref. FMC I88-1054]

**DERMAL LD<sub>50</sub>:** > 10 g/kg (rat) [FMC Study Number: ICG/T-79.026]

**ORAL LD<sub>50</sub>:** > 5 g/kg (rat) [Ref. FMC I88-1052]

**INHALATION LC<sub>50</sub>:** > 17 mg/l (1 h) (rat) [Ref. FMC ICG/T-79.026]

**TARGET ORGANS:** Eyes and respiratory passages

**ACUTE EFFECTS FROM OVEREXPOSURE:** Dust is irritating to eyes, nose, throat, and lungs.

**CHRONIC EFFECTS FROM OVEREXPOSURE:** No data available for the product.

### CARCINOGENICITY:

<b>NTP:</b>	Not listed
<b>IARC:</b>	Not listed
<b>OSHA:</b>	Not listed
<b>OTHER:</b>	ACGIH: Not listed

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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**ECOTOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION:** Effect of low concentrations on aquatic life are unknown.  
[Ref. NIOSH RTECS No. 79-100]

**CHEMICAL FATE INFORMATION:** As indicated by chemical properties oxygen is released into the environment.

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## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**DISPOSAL METHOD:** Dissolve in water to allow the release of oxygen and dispose via a treatment system in accordance with governmental agencies regulations. Contact appropriate regulatory agency prior to disposal.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)

<b>PROPER SHIPPING NAME:</b>	Calcium Peroxide
<b>PRIMARY HAZARD CLASS / DIVISION:</b>	5.1 (Oxidizer)
<b>UN/NA NUMBER:</b>	UN 1457
<b>PACKING GROUP:</b>	II
<b>LABEL(S):</b>	5.1 (Oxidizer)
<b>PLACARD(S):</b>	5.1 (Oxidizer)
<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:</b>	DOT Marking: Oxidizing solid, n.o.s. (calcium peroxide), UN 1457 Hazardous Substance/RQ: Not applicable 49 STCC Number: 49187717 This material is shipped in 25 lb. plastic pails, and 30 lb. and 100 lb. fiber drums.

### INTERNATIONAL MARITIME DANGEROUS GOODS (IMDG)

<b>PROPER SHIPPING NAME:</b>	Calcium Peroxide
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### INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION (ICAO) / INTERNATIONAL AIR TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION (IATA)

<b>PROPER SHIPPING NAME:</b>	Calcium Peroxide
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### OTHER INFORMATION:

Place spilled product in suitable container and wash residue with plenty of water.

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## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### UNITED STATES

#### SARA TITLE III (SUPERFUND AMENDMENTS AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT)

##### SECTION 311 HAZARD CATEGORIES (40 CFR 370):

Fire Hazard, Immediate (Acute) Health Hazard

##### SECTION 312 THRESHOLD PLANNING QUANTITY (40 CFR 370):

The Threshold Planning Quantity (TPQ) for this product, if treated as a mixture, is 10,000 lbs; however, this product contains the following ingredients with a TPQ of less than 10,000 lbs.:  
None

##### SECTION 313 REPORTABLE INGREDIENTS (40 CFR 372):

Not listed

#### CERCLA (COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE COMPENSATION AND LIABILITY ACT)

##### CERCLA DESIGNATION & REPORTABLE QUANTITIES (RQ) (40 CFR 302.4):

Not applicable

#### TSCA (TOXIC SUBSTANCE CONTROL ACT)

##### TSCA INVENTORY STATUS (40 CFR 710):

Listed

#### RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND RECOVERY ACT (RCRA)

##### RCRA IDENTIFICATION OF HAZARDOUS WASTE (40 CFR 261):

Waste Number: Calcium Peroxide, D001

### CANADA

#### WHMIS (WORKPLACE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INFORMATION SYSTEM):

Chemical Name:	Calcium hydroxide
Product Identification Number:	1457
Hazard Classification / Division:	Class D, Div 2, Subdiv. B, Class C (Oxidizer)
Ingredient Disclosure List:	Listed

### INTERNATIONAL LISTINGS

Calcium peroxide:  
Australia (AICS): Listed  
China: Listed  
Japan (ENCS): (1)-190  
Korea: KE-04597  
Philippines (PICCS): Listed

Calcium hydroxide:  
Australia (AICS): Listed  
China: Listed  
Japan (ENCS): (1)-181

Korea: KE-04518  
Philippines (PICCS): Listed

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

### HMIS

Health	2
Flammability	0
Physical Hazard	1
Personal Protection (PPE)	J

Protection = J (Safety goggles, gloves, apron & combination dust & vapor respirator)

HMIS = Hazardous Materials Identification System

Degree of Hazard Code:

4 = Severe

3 = Serious

2 = Moderate

1 = Slight

0 = Minimal

### NEPA

Health	2
Flammability	0
Reactivity	1
Special	OX

SPECIAL = OX (Oxidizer)

NEPA = National Fire Protection Association

Degree of Hazard Code:

4 = Extreme

3 = High

2 = Moderate

1 = Slight

0 = Insignificant

### **REVISION SUMMARY:**

This MSDS replaces Revision #12, dated January 29, 2004.

Changes in information are as follows:

Section 14 (Transport Information)

Section 16 (Other Information)

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# **RegenOx™ Mixing Instructions (basic)**

## **PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)**

Personnel working with or in areas of potential contact with RegenOx should be required at a minimum to be fitted with modified Level D personal protective equipment:

- Eye protection – Wear goggles or a face shield
- Head – Hard hat when required
- Respiratory – Use dust respirator approved by NIOSH/MSA
- Hands – Wear neoprene gloves
- Feet – Wear steel toe shoes with chemical resistant soles or neoprene boots
- Clothing – Wear long sleeve shirts and long pant legs. Consider using a Tyvek® body suit, Carhartt® coverall or splash gear

See also Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for RegenOx Part A and Part B for support in the development of a project-specific Health and Safety Plan (HSP).

## **MATERIAL OVERVIEW, HANDLING, AND SAFETY**

RegenOx is packaged in two parts. Part A is the RegenOx Oxidizer and Part B is the RegenOx Activator. Part A and Part B are shipped in separate 20-Litre buckets and each bucket has a gross weight of approximately 15 kg (net weight of RegenOx is 13.6 kg). The RegenOx Oxidizer is shipped as a fine white powder and the RegenOx Activator is shipped as a gel. The Activator has a viscosity roughly equivalent to cold honey. It is common for stored RegenOx Activator to settle somewhat in a container. Pre-heating the RegenOx Activator makes it easier to work with the material. A Material Safety Data Sheet for Part A (RegenOx Oxidizer) and for Part B (RegenOx Activator) is provided with each shipment. Personnel who operate field equipment during the installation process should have appropriate training, supervision, and experience.



## RegenOx™ Mixing



1. RegenOx™ (and ORC-Advanced®) are delivered on pallets



2. RegenOx is in two parts:

Part A – the oxidiser

Part B – the activator

Each pail contains 13.6 kg  
RegenOx net

Each pail weights  
approximately 15 kg gross



3. Open a tub of RegenOx Part B (activator) (a brownish gel). Add about 4 litres of water to the tub, or approximately 5 cm depth on the gel surface.



4. Thoroughly mix the water and RegenOx Part B until it is suspended in a silky mixture. Then leave it to one side while you prepare the RegenOx Part A.



5. Open a tub of RegenOx Part A (oxidiser) (a white powder). Pour it into approximately 150 L of water. (Tip – if a 150 L container is not available, mix it pro rata to the volume available.)



6. Thoroughly mix the RegenOx Part A and water until the powder is dissolved (some may remain suspended). This may require 5 – 10 minutes mixing.





7. When you are ready to inject / apply the Regenox, add the 'silky' Part B to the Part A.



8. Thoroughly mix the combined RegenOx Part A and RegenOx Part B until the mixture is even and any remaining Part A solids are dissolved.





8. The mixed RegenOx can now be directly applied to the contaminated zones. This can be by hand where contamination is shallow...



...or using direct-push equipment and a suitable pump where the contamination is deep.

**BUT REMEMBER...**

...successful treatment depends on **DOSE** and **CONTACT**.

Where too little RegenOx is applied, contaminant oxidation will be incomplete – residues will remain. RegenOx will only oxidise the contamination it contacts. If mixing / distribution is poor, residues will remain.

But when the dose and application are correct, the contaminants are rapidly destroyed.



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