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Mr. Michael J. Negrelli Remedial Project Manager U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 2 290 Broadway Avenue New York, New York 10007-1866

Re: January – March 2015 Progress Report Former Sinclair Refinery OU2 Wellsville, New York

Dear Mr. Negrelli:

Please find attached the subject progress report for January 1 through March 31, 2014. If you have any questions or comments, please call me at 585-813-8140.

Sincerely,

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Michael J. Teeling, C.P.G. Operations Project Manager

Attachment

Cc: Maurice Moore, NYSDEC Craig Clark, Alfred State College Vilia Drazdys, BP Harry Weiss, Ballard Spahr Martin Schmidt, URS Jerry Palmer, On-Site



# FIRST QUARTER 2015 PROGRESS REPORT – OU2 FORMER SINCLAIR REFINERY WELLSVILLE, NEW YORK

## PREPARED BY: Atlantic Richfield Company Mike Teeling

**REPORTING PERIOD:** January 1, 2015 through March 31, 2015

## 1. PROGRESS MADE THIS REPORTING PERIOD:

- January 2015: Continued operation and maintenance activities associated with the treatment system (this task is continuous). Collected monthly SPDES samples on Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, and collected quarterly manhole samples on Jan 29<sup>th</sup>. Completed monthly Troll download and manual water level measurements on Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>.
- February 2015: Collected monthly SPDES samples on Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>. Completed monthly Troll download and manual water level measurements on Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>.
- March 2015: Collected monthly SPDES samples on Mar. 12<sup>th</sup>. Aeration blower at SFW-3 experienced mechanical failure on Mar. 17<sup>th</sup>; will be replaced prior to next winter. Completed quarterly site inspection on Mar. 18<sup>th</sup>. Performed monthly synoptic water level measurements and Troll downloads on Mar. 23<sup>rd</sup>. Conducted CELA gas vent monitoring and plant health inspection (GW collection trench corridor and CELA) on Mar. 24<sup>th</sup>. Shut down SFW-1 and SFW-2 aeration blowers for season on Mar. 30<sup>th</sup>.

## 2. UNANTICIPATED PROBLEM AREAS AND RECOMMENDED SOLUTIONS:

• Extended freezing conditions during February led to ice blockage forming within the Vertical Flow Wetland (VFW) inlet pipes, which stopped flow into the ponds. Steps were taken to thaw the pipes and restore flow permitting the treatment system to remain operative.

## 3. PROBLEMS RESOLVED

• VFW flow resolved from freeze conditions (above).

## 4. DELIVERABLES SUBMITTED/RECEIVED

- January 6, 2015 Atlantic Richfield to USEPA and NYSDEC: Fourth Quarter 2014 Progress Monitoring Report, *Former Sinclair Refinery – OU2, Wellsville, New York*
- January 22, 2015 Atlantic Richfield to USEPA and NYSDEC: December 2014 Monthly SPDES Monitoring Report, *Former Sinclair Refinery Site, Wellsville, New York*

- February 18, 2015 Atlantic Richfield to USEPA and NYSDEC: January 2015 Monthly SPDES Monitoring Report, *Former Sinclair Refinery OU2, Wellsville, New York*
- March 24, 2014 Atlantic Richfield to USEPA and NYSDEC: February 2015 Monthly SPDES Monitoring Report, *Former Sinclair Refinery Site OU2, Wellsville, New York*

## 5. UPCOMING EVENTS/ACTIVITIES PLANNED

- Continue wetland treatment system operation, maintenance and monitoring (OM&M). Note: the Performance Based Groundwater Monitoring (PBGM) program is now embedded in the Agency approved O&M plan/operations.
- Currently working with Percival Miller (NYSDEC Albany) on the sites SPDES permit application. The site has been operating under an equivalency permit since system start-up in December 2008.
- Continue monthly SPDES sampling and analysis as well as quarterly groundwater collection system sampling and analysis.
- Anticipate cleaning Manhole C and VFW splitter structure with vacuum truck, weather permitting (2015).
- Anticipate installing replacement conveyance line cleanout terminations, and subsequently conducting camera survey of conveyance lines following completion of upgrades (2015).

## 6. <u>DATA</u>

• See Deliverable Submitted/Received list above.

## 7. KEY STAFFING

- On-Site Technical Services, Inc.
- URS Corporation
- James Ball Land Surveyor
- Naturally Wallace LLC
- Lancaster Laboratories

## 8. SCHEDULE AND PERCENTAGE COMPLETE

- Phase II-1–100% complete
- Phase II-2 100% complete.

## 9. COMMUNITY CONTACTS/CONCERNS

• None

## LIST OF ACRONYMS

Acronym	Description
USEPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency
NYSDEC	New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
OU	Operable Unit
VOC	Volatile Organic Compounds
OM&M	Operations Maintenance & Monitoring
BTEX	Benzene, Toluene, Ethylbenzene and Xylene