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1.0 INTRODUCTION

In 1996, Vibratech, Inc. (Vibratech) sold its facility located at 537 East Delavan Avenue in Buffalo, New York (Site). The facility had been used for manufacture of vibration dampers and rotary shock absorbers for the trucking and railroad industries.

During environmental investigations conducted prior to the sale of the property, an area of soil contamination was discovered along a railroad spur on the south portion of the property. The chemicals of concern are volatile organic compounds (VOCs), specifically: 1,1-dichloroethane; 1,2-dichloroethane; cis-1,2-dichloroethene; trans-1,2-dichloroethene; toluene; 1,1,1-trichloroethane; trichloroethene; vinyl chloride; and total xylenes. The former area of soil contamination is shown on Figure 1.1. These VOCs were also detected in groundwater. Figure 1.2 shows total VOC concentrations in Site monitoring wells based on samples collected in October 1994.

In 1995-1996, the contaminated soil was excavated and disposed off-Site or treated on-Site using soil vapor extraction (SVE). This remedial action removed the source of VOC contamination in the groundwater at the Site. Remaining chemical presence in groundwater is expected to naturally attenuate over time.

A post-remediation groundwater monitoring program was developed to verify that the source of groundwater contamination at the Site had been effectively remediated. The program is described in a report written by Conestoga-Rovers & Associates (CRA) entitled "Post-Remediation Groundwater Monitoring Plan", dated April 1997. The plan provides for groundwater sample collection from three downgradient monitoring wells designated MW-2, MW-6, and MW-7. Groundwater samples are analyzed for selected VOCs using SW-846 Method 8620. The frequency of groundwater sampling specified in the Post-Remediation Groundwater Monitoring Plan is as follows:

- i) quarterly for the first four quarters (first year);
- ii) semi-annually during the second year; and
- iii) annually during years three through five.

The sampling events for years one through four have been completed. This report presents the results of the final, fifth year annual sampling event called for in the groundwater monitoring program.

Within the next sixty days, Vibratech, Inc. will be submitting a groundwater monitoring interpretive report discussing the effectiveness of the remedial measures undertaken at its former East Delavan Avenue facility.

2.0 WORK PERFORMED

CRA conducted the annual 2001 groundwater sampling event at the former Vibratech facility at 537 East Delavan Avenue in Buffalo, New York on September 6, 2001.

Monitoring wells MW-2, MW-6, and MW-7 were sampled in accordance with the Post-Remediation Groundwater Monitoring Plan, dated April 1997. During the sampling event, CRA personnel observed an oil-like, floating layer in monitoring well MW-6. The thickness of the layer was estimated to be approximately 0.02 feet which is substantially less than observed during last year's annual sampling event (0.1 feet).

A blind duplicate sample was collected at MW-6 and identified as GW-5927-DJT-004. A matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate (MS/MSD) was collected at MW-2 and identified as GW-5927-DJT-001. Columbia Analytical Services (CAS) picked up the samples on September 7, 2001. The samples were analyzed by CAS using SW-846 Method 8260B.

3.0 RESULTS

3.1 DATA QUALITY

CRA performed an assessment and validation of the laboratory's analytical results. The data reported by CRA was determined to be acceptable for use without qualification. Appendix A contains the Analytical Data Quality Assessment and Validation Report and the complete analytical results.

3.2 ANALYTICAL RESULTS

The following chemicals were detected in the groundwater samples collected in September 2001:

		<i>MW-6</i>		
Chemical	<i>MW-</i> 2	<i>MW-6</i>	(Dup)	<i>MW-7</i>
	(μg/L)	(μg/L)	(μg/L)	(μg/L)
1,1-Dichloroethane	300	79	85	ND
Cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	84	51	54	ND
Toluene	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	10	ND	ND	ND
Trichloroethene	ND	ND	ND	ND
Vinyl chloride	62	36	4 5	ND
o-Xylene	ND	ND	ND	ND

Notes:

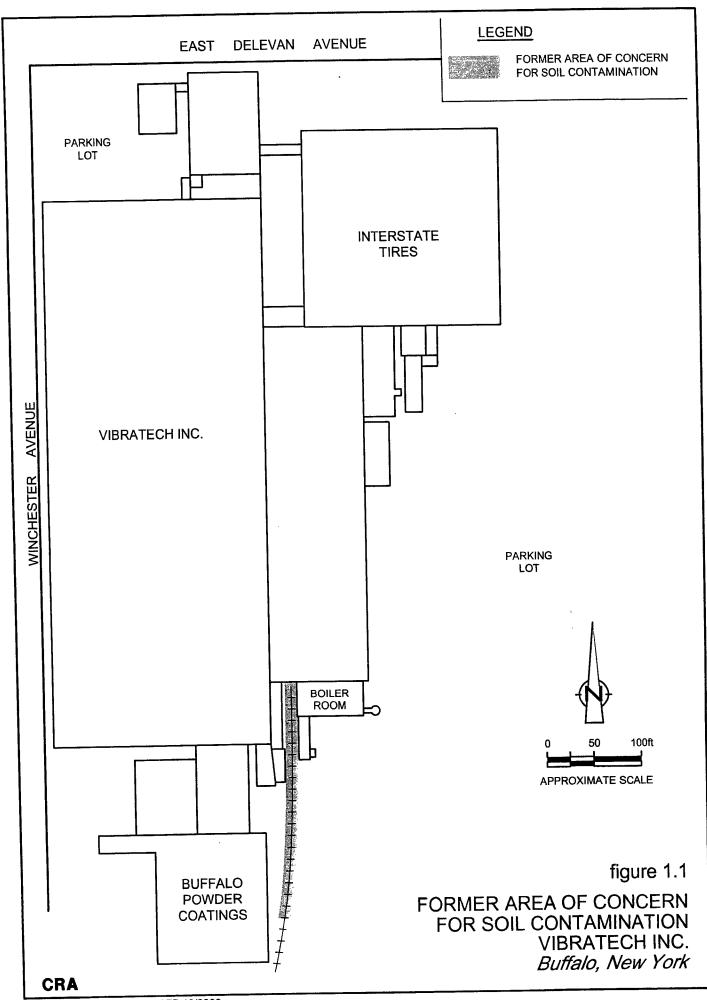
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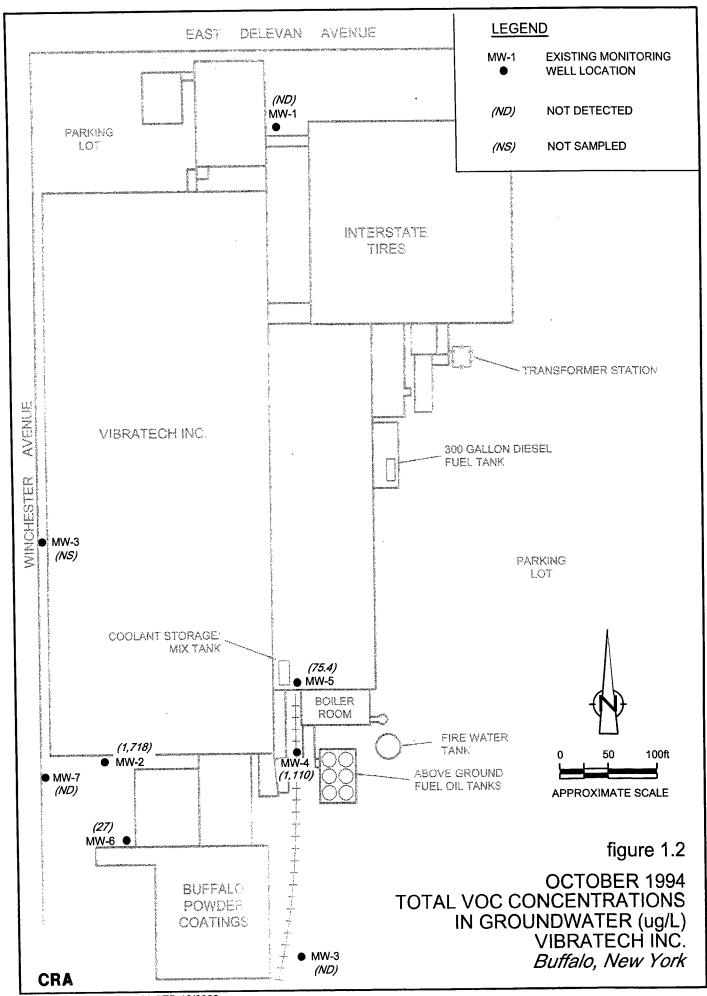
μg/L Micrograms per liter.

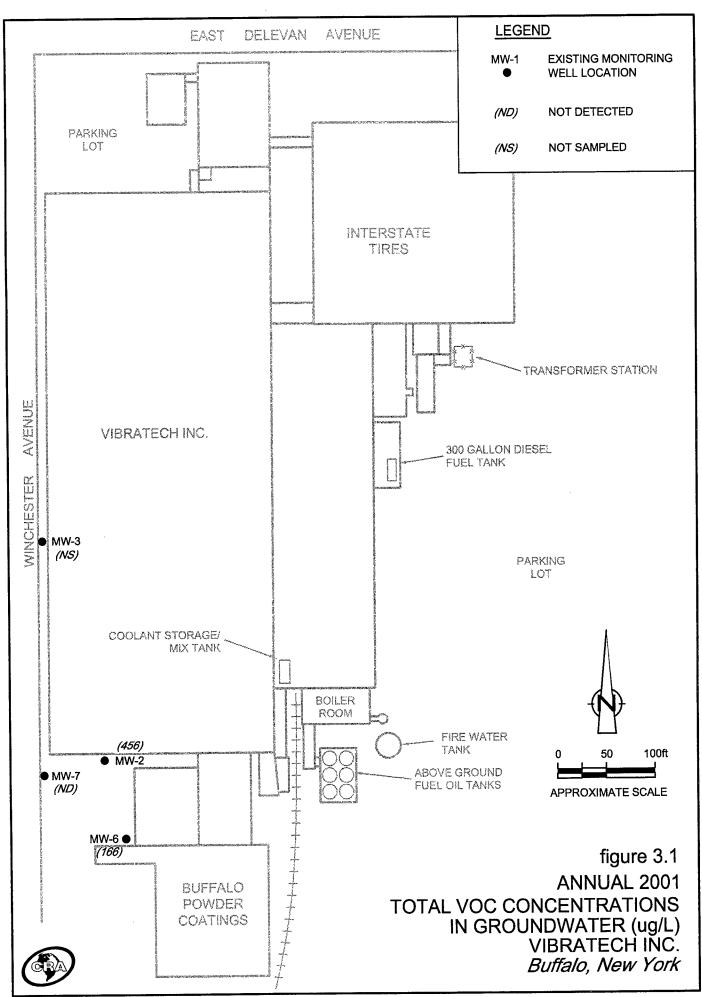
Figure 3.1 presents the total VOC concentration found in the monitoring wells sampled in September 2001. Figure 3.2 presents a graph of total VOC concentrations versus time for monitoring wells MW-2, MW-6, and MW-7. The graphs show the following:

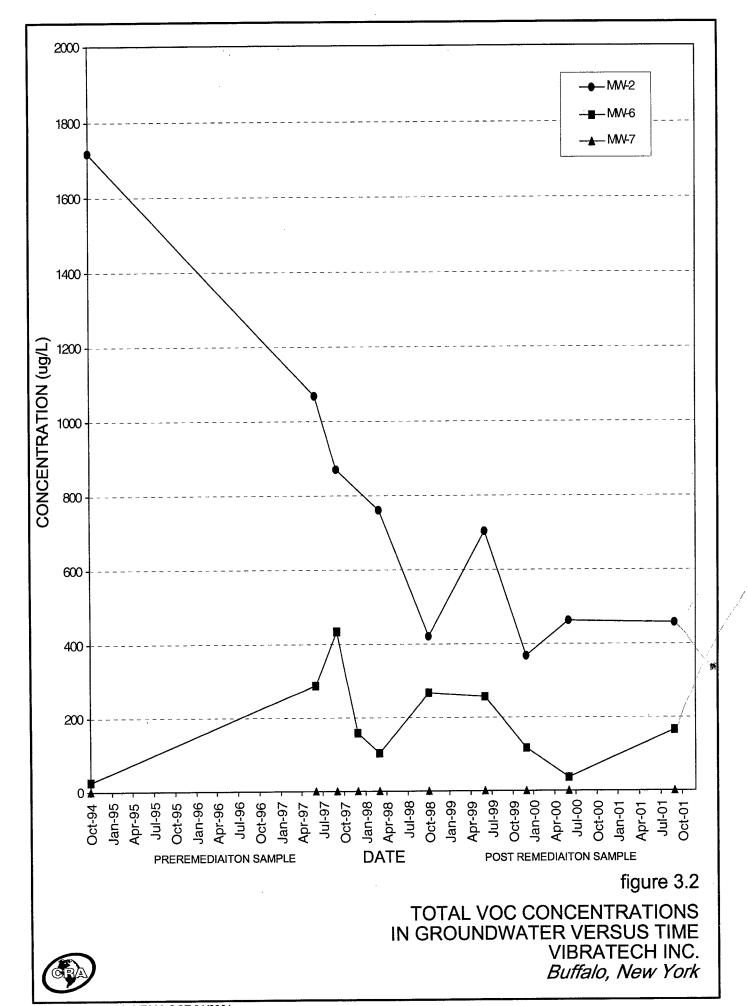
i) total VOC concentrations in the historically most-contaminated monitoring well (MW-2) have decreased from 1,718 μ g/L (prior to remediation) to 456 μ g/L (annual 2001);

- ii) total VOC concentrations in well MW-6, located near the margin of the contaminant plume, were 166 μ g/L (annual 2001) which is similar to the concentrations measured during the annual 1999 sampling event (116 μ g/L), but somewhat higher than last year's total VOC concentration (37 μ g/L); and
- iii) VOCs have never been detected in well MW-7, located on the downgradient side of the Winchester Avenue sewer.

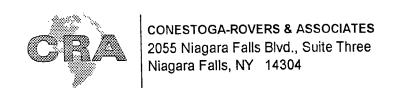








APPENDIX A ANALYTICAL DATA QUALITY ASSESSMENT AND VALIDATION



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MEMORANDUM

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FROM:

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October 23, 2001

RE:

Analytical Data Quality Assessment and Validation

Groundwater Sampling

Vibratech Site, Buffalo, New York

September 2001

The following details an assessment and validation of analytical results reported by Columbia Analytical Services, Inc. (CAS) for environmental samples collected in September 2001 from the Vibratech Site (Site). The samples collected were submitted for Site-specific volatile organic compounds (VOCs) as follows:

Parameter	Matrix	Investigative Samples	Field Duplicates	MS/MSD	Trip Blanks	Total
VOCs	Water	3	1	1/1	1	7

Notes:

MS/MSD - Matrix Spike/Matrix Spike Duplicate.

Samples were analyzed by Method 8260B, referenced from "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waște", SW-846, 3rd Edition, 1986 and subsequent revisions.

For sample identification and location, a sample collection summary is presented in Table 1. A summary of the analytical results is presented in Table 2. Evaluation of the data was based on information obtained from finished data sheets, blank data, and recovery data from matrix, blank, and surrogate spikes. Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) criteria by which these data have been assessed are referenced from the method of analysis and the "National Functional Guidelines for Organic Data Review" (February 1994), both prepared by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA).

ANALYTICAL ASSESSMENT AND VALIDATION

All samples were properly transported and stored at 4°C (±2°C). The VOC samples were preserved with hydrochloric acid to a pH of less than two. All VOC analyses were performed within the SW-846 recommended holding time of 14 days.

The surrogate compounds 4-bromofluorobenzene, toluene-d₈, and dibromofluoromethane were added to all samples, blanks, and QC samples prior to VOC analysis. All recoveries were acceptable, indicating good analytical efficiency.

Laboratory method blank analyses yielded non-detect results for all analytes of interest, indicating that laboratory contamination was not a factor for this investigation.

Internal standard analyses were performed for VOCs per the method. All percent recoveries and retention times were acceptable, indicating good analytical performance.

One MS/MSD analysis for VOCs was performed on sample GW-5927-DJT-001. All percent recoveries and relative percent differences (RPDs) were within the control limits, indicating that good analytical accuracy and precision were achieved.

A blank spike was analyzed for VOCs. All percent recoveries were within the control limits, indicating good analytical accuracy.

FIELD QA/QC RESULTS

One trip blank was submitted with the VOC samples on September 6, 2001. No compounds of interest were detected in the trip blank.

One field duplicate sample was collected and submitted "blind" to the laboratory for analysis, as indicated in Table 1. All results showed acceptable agreement with the original sample, demonstrating good sampling and analytical precision.

CONCLUSION

The data reported by CAS are acceptable without qualification.

TABLE 1

SAMPLE COLLECTION SUMMARY VIBRATECH, INC. BUFFALO, NEW YORK SEPTEMBER 2001

Sample Identification	Sample Location	Sample Matrix	Collection Date	Collection Time	Sample Analyses*	Comments
GW-5927-DJT-001	MW2 ·	Water	09/06/01	0945	Site-Specific Volatiles	MS/MSD
GW-5927-DJT-002	MW7	Water	09/06/01	1000	Site-Specific Volatiles	
GW-5927-DJT-003	MW6	Water	09/06/01	1015	Site-Specific Volatiles	COLUMNOS DE COL
GW-5927-DJT-004	MW6	Water	09/06/01	1030	Site-Specific Volatiles	Field duplicate of GW-5927-DJT-003
Trip Blank	-	Water	09/06/01	-	Site-Specific Volatiles	

Notes:

Site-Specific Volatiles:

1,1-Dichloroethane, 1,2-Dichloroethane, cis-1,2-Dichloroethene, trans-1,2-Dichloroethene, Toluene, 1,1,1-Trichloroethane, Trichloroethene, Vinyl Chloride, o-Xylene, m&p-Xylene.

MS/MSD Matrix Spike/Matrix Spike Duplicate.

TABLE 2
ANALYTICAL RESULTS SUMMARY
VIBRATECH, INC.
BUFFALO, NEW YORK
SEPTEMBER 2001

	Sample ID: Location: Collection Date:	GW-5927-DJT-001 MW-2 09/06/01	GW-5927-DJT-002 MW-7 09/06/01	GW-5927-DJT-003 MW-6 09/06/01	GW-5927-DJT-004 MW-6 09/06/01 (Dup of GW-5927-DJT-003)
Parameters	Units				
Volatiles 1,1-Dichloroethane 1,2-Dichloroethane cis-1,2-Dichloroethene trans-1,2-Dichloroethene Toluene 1,1,1-Trichloroethane Trichloroethene Vinyl chloride o-Xylene m&p-Xylene	µg/L µg/L µg/L µg/L µg/L µg/L µg/L µg/L	300 10 U 84 10 U 10 U 10 U 10 U 62 10 U 10 U	5.0 U 5.0 U 5.0 U 5.0 U 5.0 U 5.0 U 5.0 U 5.0 U 5.0 U	79 5.0 U 51 5.0 U 5.0 U 5.0 U 5.0 U 5.0 U 5.0 U 36 5.0 U 5.0 U	85 5.0 U 54 5.0 U 5.0 U 5.0 U 45 5.0 U 5.0 U

Notes:

Oup Field Duplicate.

. U Non-detect at the associated value.