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Dear Mr. Shattuck:

On behalf of the General Electric Company (GE), URS has prepared the attached Revised Corrective Measure Study Final Report (Revised CMS Final Report) for the GE Apparatus Service Center in Tonawanda, New York. This Revised CMS Final Report has been prepared in accordance with the terms of GE's May 1996 Part 373 Hazardous Waste Management Permit (373 Permit).

This Revised CMS Final Report evaluates six potential corrective measure alternatives for GE's Tonawanda service shop and incorporates NYSDEC August 8, 2000 comments on the CMS Final Report, which GE submitted to NYSDEC on April 24, 2000. In addition, we have incorporated the results presented in the April 23, 2001 Summary of Soil Sampling Results Supplemental Investigation and the July 13, 2001 Off-Site Storm Sewer Investigation Report into this Revised CMS Final Report.

We look forward to your comments on this report and on the recommended corrective measures for GE's Tonawanda Apparatus Service Center. Please contact Ms. Dawn Varacchi of GE at 508-486-0503 or the undersigned if you have any questions or comments regarding this material.

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

On behalf of the General Electric Company (GE), URS Corporation (URS) has prepared this *Revised Corrective Measure Study (CMS) Final Report* for GE's Apparatus Service Center at 175 Milens Road, Tonawanda, New York. This *Revised CMS Final Report* is being submitted in response to the June 21, 2001 letter from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC).

The CMS Final Report was prepared in response to the January 19, 1999 letter from the NYSDEC, in partial fulfillment of the terms of GE's May 1996 6 NYCRR Part 373 Hazardous Waste Management Permit under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). The CMS Final Report was prepared by Dames & Moore, which is now a division of URS. The CMS Final Report was submitted to the NYSDEC on April 24, 2000. The NYSDEC provided their comments on the CMS Final Report in a letter, dated August 8, 2000, and at a meeting which was held on November 2, 2000, between representatives of NYSDEC, GE and URS to discuss their comments.

As a result of the dialogue, GE undertook a supplemental investigation to better characterize the soil quality along the building foundation on the east side of the service shop. This *Revised CMS Report* addresses the NYSDEC's comments and has been updated with the data obtained during the supplemental investigation and the May 2001 *Off-Site Storm Sewer Investigation*.

This report is organized in seven sections. Section 2.0 presents background information for the site, including a summary of the history of GE's Tonawanda Service Shop. Section 3.0 summarizes the results of previous investigations conducted at the site. Section 4.0 describes the objectives of the CMS. Section 5.0 summarizes the corrective measure technologies that were examined in the December 3, 1999 CMS Task I Report. Section 6.0 describes the criteria used to evaluate potential corrective measure alternatives for the site. The five corrective measure alternatives that were proposed in the December 3, 1999 CMS Task I Report are described and evaluated in Section 7.0, along with a sixth alternative that combines elements of two other alternatives. Section 8.0 contains URS' recommendation for a corrective measure for GE's

Tonawanda facility. Finally, Section 9.0 presents the schedule to implement the proposed corrective action.

2.0 BACKGROUND

This section provides a brief description of the site and its history.

2.1 SITE DESCRIPTION

The GE Apparatus Service Center is located in Tonawanda, New York, approximately fifteen miles north of downtown Buffalo and approximately two miles east of the Niagara River. Figure 1 shows the site location. The site is in an urban area that includes some commercial business and other industries. GE's 5.3-acre property includes a 69,000-square-foot one-story building. GE built the northern portion of the slab-on-grade building in 1968 and expanded the building to the south in 1978.

GE uses the facility, which is also known as the Buffalo Service Shop, to repair industrial equipment, such as electric motors, transformers, turbines, pumps, and compressors. During these operations, GE generates hazardous wastes. GE also receives liquids, solids, and other articles containing polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) from customers and other GE repair facilities for repair or storage prior to shipment for off-site disposal or treatment at facilities with appropriate permits.

In May 1996, NYSDEC issued a 6 NYCRR Part 373 Hazardous Waste Management Permit (373 Permit) to GE for the Tonawanda service shop. This permit allows GE to store hazardous wastes that contain volatile organic compounds (VOCs), metals, and PCBs. GE does not treat or dispose hazardous or solid wastes at the site.

Module III of the 373 Permit lists eight Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs) and Areas of Concern (AOCs) at the facility. These eight SWMUs, which are shown in Figure 2, are:

- RCRA Container Storage Area
- PCB Container Storage Area
- PCB Work Area
- Former Rinse Water Underground Storage Tank
- Old Oil/Water Separator

- New Oil/Water Separator
- Floor Drains and Sewers
- Rail Spur

These eight SWMUs are described below.

RCRA Container Storage Area

The RCRA Container Storage Area (CSA) is an outdoor area adjacent to the east side of the building. GE has used the RCRA CSA since 1980 to store 55-gallon steel drums of materials that contain metals and VOCs. The maximum capacity of the storage area is approximately 36 drums. This unit consists of a six-inch thick concrete pad with a concrete curb that provides secondary containment. The floor and curbs of the storage area are sealed with cpoxy. A galvanized metal roof and three fiberglass walls were installed in 1986 to protect the storage area from rain. Security is provided by a locking fence surrounding three sides of the area. The building wall forms the fourth side of the RCRA CSA.

PCB Container Storage Area

GE used the PCB CSA, also known as the PCB Drum Storage Area, from 1978 to 1994 to store 55-gallon steel drums that contained PCB materials. In 1994, GE deactivated the PCB Drum Storage Area and the northern portion of the PCB Work Area. The maximum capacity for the PCB CSA was 75 drums. GE used this storage area to store PCB items before they were shipped to qualified disposal sites.

As shown in Figure 2, the PCB CSA was in a room in the southeast corner of the building. The storage area consisted of a six-inch-thick concrete floor with secondary containment provided by a concrete curb. A sump approximately three feet wide is just outside and north of this unit.

PCB Work Area

GE operated the PCB Work Area, which is inside the southeast portion of the building as shown in Figure 2, from 1978 to 2000. GE stored PCB-containing wastes and other items in the PCB Work Area. The PCB Work Area consisted of a concrete slab with secondary containment

currently provided by a concrete curb. Prior to 1983, a trench and a sink in this area drained into the former rinse water tank.

From 1978 to 1994, the PCB Work Area held three 275-gallon portable aboveground storage tanks that were used to temporarily store PCB waste oil during repairs. In 1994, GE removed these three tanks during the partial closure activities for this area. The tanks were properly disposed off-site as a PCB waste.

The southern portion of the work area, which remained active after 1994, became know as the PCB Storage Area. In 2000, GE decided to close their commercial PCB storage area. The closure is being conducted in accordance with the *Revised Closure Plan*, dated June 28, 2000. The PCB Storage Area was cleaned and then sampled in November 2000. The closure is discussed in more detail in Section 3.6.

Former Rinse Water Underground Storage Tank

In June 1977, GE installed the rinse water underground storage tank (UST) east of the building to hold PCB-containing wash water from the trench drain and sink in the PCB Work Area. This 2,000-gallon carbon steel UST was four feet below grade. GE used the UST for approximately five and a half years. The average residence time of the liquid in the UST was one year. The UST was surrounded by pea gravel backfill and anchored to a concrete pad with tie-down straps. The UST had a cutoff valve, but it had no secondary containment. The UST vessel had a manhole for access.

In May 1983, GE removed and disposed the contents of the UST as PCB liquid. In December 1983, decontamination of the UST was completed when the interior of the vessel was rinsed with diesel fuel. The rinse oil was disposed off-site. On October 14, 1986, GE excavated and removed the UST and the ancillary pipes in accordance with a NYSDEC-approved Closure Plan.

Old (Active) Oil/Water Separator

According to GE, the old oil/water separator on the east side of the building is active. This unit has concrete covers. The old oil/water separator receives wastewater from floor drains and steam booths within the building. After the oil is separated, the water discharges to the Town of

Tonawanda's wastewater treatment plant via the sanitary sewer. Periodically, GE checks the thickness of the oil layer in this oil/water separator with a dipstick. The oil is periodically removed from the separator by a scavenger.

New (Inactive) Oil/Water Separator

The new oil/water separator is just south of the building and has manhole covers. This unit is inactive. When it was active, the new oil/water separator received wastewater from floor drains and steam booths within the building. After the oil was separated, the water discharged to the Town of Tonawanda's wastewater treatment plant via the sanitary sewer. Periodically, GE would check the thickness of the oil layer in this oil/water separator with a dipstick. The oil was periodically removed from the separator by a scavenger.

Floor Drains and Sewers

Separate sanitary and storm sewers serve GE's Tonawanda service shop. Figure 3 reflects URS' current understanding of the sewer systems at the site. The sewer systems drain to the sanitary and storm sewer manholes near the southwest corner of the building. From there, both systems feed into the municipal sewer systems that flow beneath Milens Road. The municipal sanitary sewer discharges to Tonawanda's wastewater treatment plant, and the municipal storm sewer ultimately discharges to the Niagara River.

The depth of the sanitary sewers that serve GE's Tonawanda service shop, which are shown in green in Figure 3, varies from approximately three to nine feet below the ground surface. The sanitary sewer system at the site includes one manhole near the southwest corner of the building.

Five floor drains in the building discharged to the sanitary sewer through either the old (active) or the new (inactive) oil/water separator. Four of these five drains were inside the building, and one was along the south wall of the building, immediately west of the truck bay trench. Three of the five drains have been plugged. The two drains that remain open are shown in Figure 3. The two floor drains that have not been plugged are in the spray booth and steam cleaning booth in the center of the building. These two drains discharge to the old (active) oil/water separator. The old (active) oil/water separator discharges to the four-inch diameter sanitary sewer on the east side of the building. The new (inactive) oil/water separator in the south end of the building

connects to the four-inch sewer pipe south of the building. The plumbing from the rest rooms and locker rooms on the west side of the building discharges to a six-inch tile sanitary sewer west of the building. Wastewater in this six-inch pipe also flows to the sanitary sewer manhole near the southwest corner of the building.

Sanitary wastewater flows away from the on-site manhole to the southwest, toward Milens Road. where the sanitary sewer connects to the municipal sanitary sewer system.

The storm sewers at GE's Tonawanda service center, which are shown in blue in Figure 3, are at approximately the same depth as the sanitary sewers. The storm sewer system at the site includes three manholes (STMH-1, STMH-2, and STMH-3) and three catch basins (CB-1, CB-2, and CB-3).

As shown in Figure 3, a floor drain in the north end of the building and a drainage trench in the rail bay are connected to a six-inch tile storm sewer on the east side of the building. According to GE's records, five other floor drains inside the building that connected to the storm sewer have been sealed.

Approximately 130 feet south of the rail spur, the diameter of the storm sewer increases to eight inches. The diameter of the pipe increases to ten inches where the sewer passes beneath the southwest corner of the building. Roof drains discharge to this storm sewer at three locations east of the building.

Near the southeast corner of the building, the ten-inch storm sewer pipe turns west at storm sewer manhole STMH-3 and slopes to the west toward manhole STMH-2. The truck bay trench and another set of roof drains connect to the sewer between these two manholes. A twelve-inch lateral, which enters STMH-2 from the north, carries storm water from roof drains on the west side of the building. Flow leaves STMH-2 to the west through a fifteen-inch pipe that connects to manhole STMH-1 near the southwest corner of the building. A six-inch tile storm sewer line runs south from the west side of the building to STMH-1.

All three catch basins drain to STMH-1. URS has not determined the diameter of the pipe that connects catch basin CB-1, which is west of the building, to STMH-1. Catch basin CB-2, which

is near the southwest corner of the building, discharges through a ten-inch pipe, and CB-3, which is south of the building, discharges through a six-inch pipe.

As shown in Figure 3, portions of the sanitary and storm sewers were abandoned in 1978 during the construction of the addition to the building. The records that URS has reviewed do not indicate whether these pipes were removed or plugged and left in place.

As shown in Figure 4, the on-site storm sewers tie into the municipal storm sewer system which runs beneath Milens Road. A fifteen-inch pipe exits STMH-1 and slopes to the southwest, toward Milens Road, where it connects to the municipal storm sewer system. The 30-inch diameter pipe runs approximately 1,300 feet south beneath Milens Road before joining an 84-inch diameter line. This line discharges to Two Mile Creek approximately 2,800 feet to the west. Two Mile Creek flows north and discharges into the Niagara River.

Rail Spur

The rail spur area is a 140-foot by 60-foot area in the northeast portion of the site with two railroad tracks that are currently in use. Since 1969, GE has used the northeast corner of the building to store flatbed rail cars. Historically, GE has used the two railroad bays in the building to load and unload electrical equipment onto the flatbed rail cars. As shown in Figure 2, the railroad tracks extend east beyond the fence on the east side of the site. GE's property line also extends east of the fence at the rail spur. The areas between the tracks and the adjacent road to the north are paved with asphalt. Drums of non-hazardous abrasive sand blasting materials have also been stored in the rail spur area. A portion of the ground surface shows signs of past spills of those sand blasting materials.

2.2 HYDROGEOLOGY

The regional ground water flow pattern beneath the site is probably toward the west-northwest. Shallow groundwater probably discharges toward the nearest surface water body, Two Mile Creek, which is approximately 3,000 feet west of the site. However, a bedrock trough located beneath Two Mile Creek may influence the direction of groundwater flow in the bedrock. Published background information indicates the presence of these four hydrostratigraphic zones

in the area around the site: the unsaturated zone, the tension-saturated zone, the saturated overburden, and the saturated bedrock.

Unsaturated Zone

The unsaturated zone is characterized by dry, moderate to very dense, compact glaciolacustrine sediments, which are predominantly clays and silts. This zone also includes the fill that is present near the building and in utility excavations. The unsaturated zone contains local zones of perched water associated predominantly with filled utility excavations. In native soils, the unsaturated zone extends to at least 15 feet below ground surface (bgs).

Tension-Saturated Zone

The tension-saturated zone, which is also called the capillary fringe, consists of damp to moist, loose to moderately dense glaciolacustrine sediments, which are predominantly clays and silts. Slight changes in the degree of saturation could cause significant fluctuations in both the thickness of the capillary fringe and the water table elevation. The capillary fringe extends from approximately 15 to approximately 25 feet bgs. The relatively thick tension-saturated zone is caused by the fine-grained nature of the sediments.

Saturated Overburden

The saturated zone is composed of soft to moderately dense glaciolacustrine sediments, which are predominantly clays and silts. The water table in these native soils is at 22 to 25 feet bgs. Based on the regional hydrology and topography, the groundwater in this zone appears to flow toward the west-northwest.

Saturated Bedrock

According to unpublished United States Geological Survey (USGS) data, which URS has not reviewed, nearby geotechnical borings advanced by the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT), suggest that the bedrock beneath the site is at a depth between 60 and 70 feet. However, the actual depth to bedrock beneath the site is unknown.

2.3 REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

Module III of the *373 Permit* requires Corrective Actions for all releases of hazardous wastes or constituents from any SWMUs or AOCs. Corrective Actions are to be implemented wherever they are necessary, including areas beyond the facility boundaries. Corrective Actions include a RCRA Facility Assessment (RFA), a RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) and, if needed, Corrective Measures. GE completed the RFA in 1988 and the RFI in 1998.

The 373 Permit specifies that GE may be required to prepare a Corrective Measure Study (CMS) after the RFI is completed if:

- The concentrations of hazardous constituents (if any) in the media at the site exceed their corresponding individual action levels, or
- The concentrations of hazardous constituents in the media at the site do not exceed their corresponding individual action levels, but additive exposure risk, due to the presence of multiple constituents, is not protective of human health, or
- The concentrations of hazardous constituents in the media at the site do not exceed their corresponding individual action levels, but still pose a threat to human health or the environment, given site-specific exposure conditions.

The results of the RFI indicate that the concentrations of selected constituents (primarily PCBs) at the Tonawanda shop exceed the recommended soil cleanup objectives (RSCOs) published by the NYSDEC in TAGM HWR-94-4046. On October 5, 1999, the NYSDEC required that GE conduct a focused CMS for the Tonawanda facility. On November 1, 1999, GE submitted a schedule for the focused CMS (*CMS Schedule*) to the NYSDEC, and on December 3, 1999, GE submitted the *CMS Plan*. The NYSDEC approved the *CMS Plan* on January 19, 2000, and requested that GE proceed with the CMS. GE submitted a CMS to NYSDEC on April 24, 2000. On August 8, 2000, NYSDEC provided comments on the CMS. In response to NYSDEC's comments, GE gathered additional information that has been incorporated into this *Revised CMS Final Report*.

2.4 CORRECTIVE MEASURE STUDY PROCESS

The CMS evaluates corrective measure alternatives for the Tonawanda facility that are technologically feasible and reliable and that effectively mitigate and minimize damage to and provide adequate protection of human health and the environment. According to GE's 373 Permit, the CMS will be developed using target cleanup levels that are considered to be protective of human health and the environment. Where available, the target cleanup levels may be promulgated standards. The cleanup objectives in Table 1 are New York State groundwater standards (6 NYCRR Part 700) and RSCOs from NYSDEC TAGM HWR-94-4046.

The CMS consists of four tasks:

Task I: Identification and Development of the Corrective Measure Alternative or Alternatives

Task I includes a description of the current situation at the site, the establishment of corrective action objectives, the screening of corrective measure technologies, and the identification of the corrective measure alternative or alternatives for the site. The identification and development of the corrective measure alternatives were summarized in the December 3, 1999 *CMS Task I Report*. On January 19, 2000, the NYSDEC approved the *CMS Task I Report* and requested that GE continue with Tasks II, III, and IV of the CMS.

Task II: Evaluation of the Corrective Measure Alternative or Alternatives

In Task II, the corrective measure alternative or alternatives are evaluated on the basis of technical, environmental, human health, and institutional concerns. A cost estimate is also developed for each alternative.

Task III: Justification and Recommendation of the Corrective Measure or Measures

In Task III, a corrective measure or measures are recommended for the concerns identified during the RFI and the supplemental sewer investigation, which was performed in accordance with the NYSDEC-approved November 17, 1999 Supplemental Sewer Investigation Work Plan. The measure or measures will be justified on the basis of technical, human health, and environmental considerations.

Task IV: Reports

This CMS Final Report includes the information gathered under the NYSDEC-approved CMS Plan, including the results of supplemental investigations and summaries of Tasks II and III.

After the CMS is completed and the corrective measures are selected, the NYSDEC will modify GE's permit to incorporate the selected corrective measures. At that point, GE will initiate the Corrective Measure Implementation (CMI). The CMI will include the final engineering design, construction, operation, maintenance, and monitoring of the selected corrective measures.

3.0 PREVIOUS INVESTIGATIONS

This section provides a brief summary of the results of the recent investigations that GE has conducted at the site in accordance with terms of the *373 Permit* and at NYSDEC's request. The work is described in these five reports:

- *RFI Report* (April 2, 1999)
- CMS Task I Report (December 3, 1999)
- Supplemental Sewer Investigation Report (April 17, 2000)
- Summary of Soil Sampling Results Supplemental Investigation (April 23, 2001)
- Off-Site Storm Sewer Investigation Report (July 13, 2001)

In addition to the work being conducted within the CMS process, GE is in the process of closing their Commercial PCB Storage Area. The USEPA is the lead agency for this work. Therefore the closure of the PCB storage area has remained largely separate from the CMS process.

These five reports are summarized in the remainder of this section.

3.1 RCRA FACILITY INVESTIGATION

On April 2, 1999, GE submitted the *RFI Report* to the NYSDEC. The *RFI Report* summarized the results of previous investigations at the site and the RFI. The objectives of the RFI were to:

- Further evaluate the nature and extent of the contaminants that had previously been found in the backfill, native soils, perched water and groundwater near the eight SWMUs and AOCs at the site:
- Further evaluate the direction and estimated rate of migration of contaminants in the site media; and
- Generate sufficient data to evaluate corrective measure alternatives.

The analytical results for the soil and groundwater samples collected during the RFI from the locations shown in Figure 5 were compared to the criteria in Table 1 to evaluate whether the soil and groundwater near the SWMUs had been impacted. The criteria in Table 1 include the RSCOs from NYSDEC's TAGM HWR-94-4046 and New York State groundwater standards (6)

NYCRR Part 700). The RFI results for each of the eight SWMUs or AOCs are summarized in the following sections.

3.1.1 RCRA Container Storage Area

The scope of work for the RFI included an investigation of the soil quality at the perimeter of the RCRA CSA, but not beneath the concrete pad. Based on the analytical results from the four soil borings installed near the RCRA CSA during the RFI, the soils surrounding the RCRA CSA do not appear to have been significantly impacted by either PCBs or VOCs. Therefore, neither additional investigative work nor corrective action were recommended.

Only traces of PCBs were detected in the subsurface soils from four soil borings near the RCRA CSA. PCBs were detected in subsurface soils at concentrations less than the NYSDEC's RSCO of 10 milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg). The concentrations of PCBs in surface soil samples were also less than the RSCO for surface soil of 1 mg/kg. The *RFI Report* noted that in 1987 Lawler, Matusky, & Skelly reported that a surface soil sample collected along the fence line east of the RCRA CSA contained a PCB concentration of 2 mg/kg, which exceeds the RSCO of 1 mg/kg.

During the RFI, only one VOC (1,1-dichloroethane [1,1-DCA]) was detected near the RCRA CSA at one location, in a duplicated soil sample collected from six to eight feet below the ground surface. The reported concentrations (0.0059 mg/kg in the original sample and 0.0083 mg/kg in the duplicate sample) of 1,1-DCA were less than the RSCO for 1,1-DCA (0.2 mg/kg). No other VOCs were found near the RCRA CSA.

3.1.2 PCB Container Storage Area

The scope of work for the RFI included an investigation of the soil quality adjacent to, but not beneath, the PCB CSA. The soils south and southeast of the PCB CSA do not appear to have been significantly impacted by PCBs. Therefore, neither additional investigative work nor corrective action was deemed necessary in this area.

Low concentrations of PCBs were found in the soil samples collected from a depth of two feet near the southeast corner of the building outside the PCB CSA. The PCB concentration in a surface soil sample collected near the southeast corner of the building was 0.32 mg/kg, which is less than the RSCO of 1.0 mg/kg. Only traces of PCBs, less than 0.2 mg/kg, were found in subsurface soils near the south side of the building.

3.1.3 PCB Work Area

The scope of work for the RFI included an investigation of the soil quality outside the PCB work area. Dames & Moore recommended that the area outside the PCB work area, east of the building near the old oil/water separator and the former rinse water tank, be included in the focused CMS. However, the issues that Dames & Moore found outside the PCB work area appear to be related to two other AOCs, the former rinse water UST excavation and the sewers, rather than to the PCB work area itself.

During the RFI, PCBs were detected at concentrations exceeding the RSCOs in soil samples from one location outside the PCB work area east of the building along the sewer lines. PCBs were also detected in a sample of the perched groundwater collected from monitoring well MW-3 near the PCB work area. During previous investigations near the PCB work area, PCBs were detected in surface soils east of the building, between the old oil/water separator and the former rinse water tank.

3.1.4 Former Rinse Water Tank Excavation

Based on the results of previous investigations and the RFI, Dames & Moore recommended that a focused CMS be performed at the former rinse water tank excavation. The fill within the former UST excavation and the perched groundwater within the fill showed evidence of impacts from PCBs and VOCs. The impacted materials appeared to be limited to the former UST excavation. Dames & Moore found that contaminant migration to the native soils around or beneath the former UST excavation is limited to the materials adjacent to the former excavation.

During the RFI, soil and groundwater samples were collected from both within and outside of the former rinse water tank excavation, which was approximately 10 to 12 feet deep. The PCB concentration in a sample of the fill collected from four to six feet below grade in the former tank pit excavation was 66 mg/kg, which exceeds the RSCO of 10 mg/kg for subsurface soils. The chlorobenzene concentration in this soil sample was 34 mg/kg, which exceeds the RSCO of 1.7 mg/kg. However, the soil sample from 10 to 11 feet in the same location had a PCB concentration of 2.99 mg/kg and a chlorobenzene concentration of 0.03 mg/kg, which suggests that both PCB and chlorobenzene concentrations in the soil decrease with depth.

Both VOCs and PCBs were detected in the perched groundwater in the fill in the former rinse water tank excavation at concentrations that exceed the NYSDEC's groundwater standards. However, at least 13 feet of native low permeability clay separates this perched groundwater from the underlying groundwater, and PCBs and VOCs were not detected in the groundwater sample from a 60 foot deep monitoring well located outside the former tank excavation.

The soil quality outside the former rinse water tank excavation was evaluated at six soil borings around the former tank excavation. PCBs were not detected in the soil samples collected from five of the six borings. The total concentration of PCBs detected in a soil sample from the sixth soil boring was 0.25 mg/kg, which is less than the RSCO.

The RFI Report noted that in 1987, LMS reported that a surface soil sample collected along the fence line east of the former UST excavation contained 4.5 mg/kg PCBs as well as 120 mg/kg petroleum hydrocarbons.

In February 2001, GE conducted a *Supplemental Investigation* to better characterize soil quality along the east side of the building. The investigation is discussed in Section 3.4.

3.1.5 Old Oil/Water Separator

Based on the results of the RFI, Dames & Moore concluded that the old oil/water separator may have been a source of the PCBs found in soil and perched groundwater samples collected along the sewer line south of the old oil/water separator. Thus, Dames & Moore recommended that the old oil/water separator be included in a focused CMS.

Only traces of PCBs were present down to a depth of approximately four feet in soil boring B-23, which was near the old oil/water separator. The maximum PCB concentration detected was 3.1 mg/kg, which is less than the RSCO of 10 mg/kg for subsurface soils. PCBs were not detected in samples collected below four feet, and no VOCs were detected in the soil at this location. However, a soil sample collected from two to four feet below grade at the soil boring for MW-2, which is near the sewer lines approximately 50 feet south of the old oil/water separator, contained 33 mg/kg PCBs.

3.1.6 New Oil/Water Separator

Based on the results of the RFI, the new oil/water separator does not appear to have significantly impacted the surrounding soil and groundwater quality. Neither additional investigative work nor corrective action was recommended.

No VOCs were detected in the soil downgradient of the new oil/water separator. Traces of PCBs (2.5 mg/kg) were found at a depth of six to eight feet in a soil boring located west and downgradient of the new oil/water separator. The soil PCB concentrations at another soil boring located downgradient of the new oil/water separator were also less than the RSCOs.

No PCBs were detected in the perched groundwater downgradient of the new oil/water separator. The only VOCs detected in the groundwater downgradient of the new oil/water separator were chloroform and methylene chloride. The reported concentrations (1.9 μ g/L chloroform and 0.56 μ g/L methylene chloride) were less than NYSDEC's groundwater standards.

3.1.7 Drains and Sewers

Based on the results of the RFI, Dames & Moore concluded that portions of the sewers may have been affected by releases at the site. Dames & Moore recommended that two portions of the sewer system, the sewer lines east of the building near the former rinse water UST and the truck bay trench and sump, be included in a focused CMS. The NYSDEC requested additional investigation of the storm sewer catch basins and manholes at the site. The results of the supplemental sewer investigation requested by the NYSDEC are summarized in Section 3.3.

The NYSDEC also requested that the off-site storm sewers be evaluated. The results of the *Off-Site Storm Sewer Investigation* are summarized in Section 3.5. The remainder of this section summarizes the findings of the RFI regarding the drains and sewers at the site.

The *RFI Report* indicated that all of the floor drains in the building that connected to the sanitary sewer had been plugged, with the exception of floor drains in the spray booth and the steam cleaning booth in the northeast part of the service shop. These floor drains lead to the active old oil/water separator, which discharges to the sanitary sewer. The status of the floor drains that connect to the storm sewers is discussed below.

The results of the RFI indicated that the exterior drains in the truck bay (also known as the depressed dock) trench, the truck bay sump, and the sewers on the east side of the building appear to have been impacted by PCBs. PCB-containing sediments were found in the truck bay trench (240 mg/kg) and the sump in the truck bay area (24 mg/kg) on the south side of the building. The precipitation that accumulates in the trench discharges to the storm sewer, and the sump is periodically pumped out.

The soils that surround the sewer lines contain some PCBs at concentrations that exceed RSCOs, predominantly at a depth of two to six feet. The elevated levels of PCBs are concentrated on the east side of the building, near the former rinse water tank, where a maximum PCB concentration of 53.5 mg/kg was detected.

Although PCBs and VOCs were found in the fill and perched groundwater along the sewer lines, it does not appear that significant amounts of PCBs and VOCs migrate along the sewer line backfill. A groundwater sample from monitoring well MW-2, which is screened in the fill around the sewer lines between the old (active) oil/water separator and the former rinse water UST excavation contained concentrations of PCBs (142 μ g/L) and VOCs (13 μ g/L dichlorobenzenes, 5 μ g/L ethylbenzene, and 30 μ g/L xylenes) that exceed NYSDEC's groundwater standards. However, only traces of two VOCs (1.9 μ g/L chloroform and 0.56 μ g/L methylene chloride) were detected in the July 1998 groundwater sampling event at a monitoring well (MW-4) that is screened in the fill near where the sewer lines exit the site. These concentrations did not exceed the NYSDEC's groundwater standards. In December 1998, VOCs

were not detected in groundwater from monitoring well MW-4. PCBs were not detected at monitoring well MW-4 during either of the 1998 sampling events.

3.1.8 Rail Spur Area

The surface soils near the rail spur in the northeast part of the site contain concentrations of PCBs (up to 142 mg/kg) that exceed the RSCO of 1.0 mg/kg. However, the concentrations of PCBs in subsurface soils are less than the RSCO of 10 mg/kg. Dames & Moore recommended a focused CMS for the surface soils at the rail spur area.

The extent of PCB-impacted soils in the rail spur appears to be delineated. The region of PCB-impacted surface soil in the northeast part of the site encompasses the area of the railroad tracks within the fence and extends east of the fence. These PCB-containing soils encompass approximately 18,000 square feet. A two- to three-foot deep soil mound north of the railroad tracks also contains PCB concentrations above RSCOs.

3.2 CMS TASK I REPORT

On December 3, 1999, GE submitted the *CMS Task I Report* to the NYSDEC, who approved the *CMS Task I Report* on January 19, 2000. As described in Section 2.4, the *CMS Task I Report* described current conditions at the site, established remedial action objectives, screened corrective measure technologies, and identified the corrective measure alternatives that are evaluated in this *CMS Final Report*. The contents of the *CMS Task I Report* have been incorporated into this *CMS Final Report*.

3.3 SUPPLEMENTAL SEWER INVESTIGATION REPORT

On April 17, 2000, GE submitted the Supplemental Sewer Investigation Report (SSI Report) to NYSDEC. GE conducted a supplemental investigation at the site in response to a letter from the NYSDEC, which was dated October 5, 1999. The objectives of the supplemental investigation were to evaluate whether there have been historical releases of PCBs from the building to the soil adjacent to the building and to sample the sediments in the three on-site catch basins and in the three on-site storm sewer manholes. The results of the supplemental investigation suggest that

PCB- and VOC-impacted sediments are present in the on-site storm sewers. Thus, the on-site storm sewers are included in the CMS. The locations of the catch basins and storm sewers are shown in Figure 3. The remainder of this section summarizes the results of the supplemental investigation.

Supplemental Review of Site Records

During the supplemental review of GE's site records, Dames & Moore reviewed several documents that had not been reviewed during the RFI. Most of these documents were historical drawings of the on-site storm and sanitary sewers. None of these documents had evidence of historical spills that may have impacted the sewers or sewer bedding material.

Two of the documents that Dames & Moore reviewed indicated two possible connections from floor drains in the building to the storm sewer. A 1974 drawing by George H. Drake Inc. Plumbing, entitled *General Electric Apparatus Service Shop, Town of Tonawanda, N.Y., Exhibit B*, shows a drainage trench in the rail bay that is connected to the storm sewer. A conversation between Dames & Moore and GE personnel in January 2000 indicated that the drainage trench in the rail bay currently appears to be active.

The 1974 drawing also shows a drinking fountain in the northern end of the building that is connected to the storm sewer. A 1997 report by GES, entitled *Industrial Shop Process and Sewer System Characterization*, stated that a dye tracer released into a floor drain in the north end of the building had been detected in manhole STMH-3, indicating that the floor drain discharged to the storm sewer. The floor drain mentioned in the GES report appears to be in the same place as the drinking fountain shown in the 1974 drawing. Figure 3 reflects URS' current understanding of the connections from the building interior to the storm sewer east of the building.

Sampling of Catch Basins and Manholes

Dames & Moore collected sediment samples form the three catch basins (CB-1, CB-2, and CB-3) and two (STMH-2 and STMH-3) of the three storm sewer manholes at the site. Storm sewer manhole STMH-1, which is near the southwest corner of the building, did not contain sediments.

The analytical results for the sediment samples collected from the storm sewer manholes and catch basins are summarized in Table 2. As shown in Table 2, VOCs were detected in three of the five sediment samples. Traces of acetone, toluene, and xylenes were detected in the sediment samples from CB-2 and CB-3. The concentration of total VOCs detected in the sediment sample from STMH-3, which is near the southeast corner of the building, was 1,966 mg/kg. Most of the VOCs detected in STMH-3 were chlorinated benzene compounds.

PCBs were detected in all five of the sediment samples. The concentrations of PCBs detected in the catch basins ranged from 0.1 mg/kg at CB-1 (west of the building) to 1.6 mg/kg at CB-3 (south of the building). The concentration of PCBs detected in the sediment sample from manhole STMH-3, which is near the southeast corner of the building, was 41,300 mg/kg. Dames & Moore noted that the sediment sample from STMH-3 represented black, oily sediments that were present on the northwest side of STMH-3. As shown in Figure 3, the northwest side of STMH-3 is on the inside corner of a turn and is therefore less likely to be scoured by flows in the sewer. Thus, the black material is believed to represent sediments that have been deposited over a long period of time. The sediment sample from manhole STMH-2, which is immediately downstream of STMH-3, had a PCB concentration of 20.7 mg/kg.

3.4 SUPPLEMENTAL INVESTIGATION – EAST SIDE OF BUILDING

On April 23, 2001, GE submitted the *Summary of Soil Sampling Results Supplemental Investigation* to NYSDEC. GE conducted the supplemental investigation at the site in response to comments NYSDEC provided on the April 24, 2000 *CMS Final Report*. The comments were presented in a letter from the NYSDEC, which was dated August 8, 2001. The investigation was designed to evaluate the soil quality along the building foundation to assess whether excavation of PCB impacted soils along the east side of the building could meet the cleanup goals.

The results of the investigation show that the soil between the sewer lines and the building foundation does not contain PCB concentrations that exceed the State of New York's RSCO for subsurface soils (10 mg/kg). Thus, excavation of PCB impacted soil along the sewer lines could be achieved without disturbing the soil that supports the foundation of the service shop. The

seven borings, designated EB-1 through EB-7, that were advanced during the supplemental investigation are shown in Figure 5.

URS conducted the supplemental investigation in accordance with the November 17, 2001 *Supplemental Investigation Work Plan.* On January 24, 2001, seven borings (EB-1 through EB-7) were advanced along the east side of the building with a Geoprobe. Continuous soil samples were collected with a MacroCore open sampler and disposable acetate liners. The borings were 16 feet deep and spaced approximately 20 feet apart. The locations of the borings are shown in Figure 5.

In accordance with the work plan, URS collected four soil samples from each boring. The samples were collected from two to four feet bgs, six to eight feet bgs, ten to twelve feet bgs, and 14 to 16 feet bgs. The soil samples collected from the six to eight foot depth range and the ten to twelve foot depth range were analyzed for PCBs using EPA Method 8082. In accordance with the work plan, the additional two soil samples were held pending the results of the other samples.

The results of the PCB analyses for the fourteen soil samples are summarized in Table 3. As shown, concentrations of PCBs in thirteen of the fourteen soil samples were less than the detection limits 0.5 mg/kg. The analytical results for the remaining soil sample, which was collected from boring EB-7 from six to eight feet bgs, contained 1.5 mg/kg of PCBs, which is less than the subsurface soil RSCO of 10 mg/kg. In accordance with the work plan, GE elected not to analyze any of the additional soil samples because the analytical results indicate that the soil that supports the building does not contain PCBs at concentrations greater than the cleanup objectives.

In a letter, dated June 21, 2001, NYSDEC agreed with GE that the results of the supplemental investigation adequately characterized the subsurface soil quality along the foundation of the building. The NYSDEC stated that the results of the supplemental investigation could be used in lieu of post excavation samples along the west sidewall of the potential excavation. The NYSDEC also stated that the suitable long term commitment for the area would be a deed notice as long as post excavation samples were collected from the base, north, east and south sides of

the excavation. The deed notice would state that the area had been remediated to the NYSDEC cleanup objectives and that traces of contaminants remained in subsurface soils near the building,

3.5 OFF-SITE STORM SEWER INVESTIGATION

GE submitted the *Work Plan for Investigation of Off-Site Storm Sewers* on February 23, 2001. The work plan was developed in response to the January 11, 2001 letter from the NYSDEC. The NYSDEC's letter requested that GE prepare a plan to investigate whether there had been a release of PCBs from the property through the storm sewer system. The work plan called for a phased investigative approach beginning with the storm sewers nearest the facility. Figure 4 shows the municipal storm sewer system near the facility and the proposed sediment sampling stations (MH-1 through MH-12).

The NYSDEC accepted the phased approach for the investigation in a letter, dated March 23, 2001. The results of the first phase of the investigation were provided to the NYSDEC in the *Off-Site Storm Sewer Investigation Report*, dated July 13, 2001. The results indicate that there are PCBs in the municipal storm sewer along Milens Road.

Municipal Storm Sewer System

As shown in Figure 4, the on-site storm sewers discharge from manhole STMH-1 to the municipal storm sewer line beneath Milens Road (upstream of manhole MH-1). The Milens Road line is a 30-inch diameter reinforced concrete pipe that drains toward the south. There are three additional manholes (MH-2, MH-3, and MH-4) along the line before it joins an 84-inch diameter line at manhole MH-5 approximately 1,200 feet south of the site.

Manhole MH-5 receives flows from the northern and southern portions of Milens Road and from the commercial properties to the southeast. From manhole MH-5, the stormwater flows approximately 1,450 feet westward across private property (parallel to Ensminger Road) through an 84-inch diameter reinforced concrete pipe. The pipe then runs north for approximately 280 feet before turning again to the west. The line becomes a 90-inch diameter reinforced concrete pipe and lies beneath Oriskany Drive. The line continues to the west and discharges to Two Mile Creek near a foot bridge.

Investigation

After contacting the Town of Tonawanda's Sewer Department to obtain access to the storm sewers, URS met with Town personnel to conduct a reconnaissance of the proposed storm sewer sampling locations. As a result of the reconnaissance, URS determined that sediment samples could not be collected from Manhole MH-7 and Manhole MH-8. Manhole MH-7 had been outfitted with a storm grate that was cemented into place. Manhole MH-8 could not be found.

On May 17, 2001, URS collected sediment samples from eight manholes. No sediment samples were collected from manholes MH-9 and MH-10 because there was no sediment present. The samples were analyzed for PCBs by EPA Method 8082. The analytical results are summarized in Table 4. As shown, PCBs were detected in sediment samples from five of the eight sampling locations. The highest concentration of PCBs was in the sediment collected from manhole MH-1 (300 mg/kg). PCBs were detected in sediment samples from the four manholes along the Milens Road line. The concentration of PCBs in the sediment decreases with distance from the site to the connection with the 84-inch line at manhole MH-5. Of the three sampling locations with sediment along the line parallel to Ensminger Road, only the sediment from MH-12 contained detectable levels of PCBs (1.45 mg/kg).

3.6 CLOSURE OF THE COMMERCIAL PCB STORAGE AREA

As previously mentioned, GE has chosen to close their Commercial PCB Storage Area. The closure is being conducted in accordance with the *Revised Closure Plan* (*Closure Plan*), dated June 28, 2000. The USEPA is the lead agency for the closure. However, because the *373 Permit* for the Tonawanda facility includes the Commercial PCB Storage Area, the NYSDEC is also involved. The *Closure Plan* called for sampling of the active portion of the PCB Work Area, the adjacent truck bay, the depressed dock, and the transportation corridor (Figure 2). The results of the first round of sampling were provided to NYSDEC and USEPA in a letter, dated May 14, 2001. The analytical results of all samples collected during closure will be presented in the *Closure Certification Report*.

PCB Work Area

After the PCB Work Area was cleaned in November 2000, URS collected 11 (and 1 duplicate) wipe samples from the epoxy coating system that covers the area. The results for wipe samples collected from the PCB Work Area meet the Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA) cleanup objective of 10 micrograms per 100 square centimeters ($10 \mu g/100 cm^2$).

Truck Bay

The truck bay is immediately west of the PCB work area in the southeast corner of the service shop. During November 2000, in accordance with the work plan, the truck bay was cleaned and then concrete chip samples were collected for PCB analyses by EPA Method 8082. The analytical results from the four concrete chip samples indicated that the concrete floor of the truck bay, which is contiguous with the service shop floor, had been impacted by PCBs.

Subsequently, another round of sampling was conducted from a grid around the perimeter of the truck bay to assess the extent of the PCBs. However, the analytical results from the second round of sampling were insufficient to adequately define the extent. GE is currently evaluating their options before proceeding with additional sampling.

Depressed Dock

As shown in Figure 2, the depressed dock is in the middle of the south end of the building. The concrete chip samples collected during the November 2000 sampling indicate that the below grade, concrete floor of the depressed loading dock contains PCBs. During the second round of sampling in May 2001, the concrete was cored in two locations to determine the depth of the impact. Based on the analytical results, the impact is superficial.

GE is currently evaluating their options for addressing the depressed dock. There is a drain within the depressed dock that is connected to a sump. This drain and sump have been identified as focused CMS locations. Depending on how GE chooses to address the PCB impacted concrete on the floor of the depressed dock, it may make sense to address the sump and drain area at the same time.

Transportation Corridor

The transportation corridor is the paved area south of the building that extends from the entrance gate east to the truck bay adjacent to the PCB storage area (Figure 2). The six asphalt chip samples collected during the November 2000 sampling indicate that the transportation corridor has been impacted by PCBs. During the second round of sampling in May 2001, the asphalt was cored in two locations to determine the depth of the impact. Based on the analytical results, the impact is superficial. GE is currently evaluating their options for addressing this area.

4.0 CMS AREAS AND OBJECTIVES

This section lists the areas of the site that are evaluated in this *Revised CMS Final Report* and the corrective action objectives for the site.

4.1 CMS AREAS

Based on the findings of the RFI and additional investigations, URS concluded that a focused CMS was warranted for these six areas:

- The surface soils near the rail spur;
- The former rinse water UST excavation;
- The sewer lines east of the building near the former rinse water tank;
- The area near the old oil/water separator;
- The on-site storm sewers and drains
- The storm sewer along Milens Road.

The scope of the CMS does not include the sediments in Two Mile Creek or GE's ongoing closure of the commercial PCB storage area.

To date, GE has collected sediment samples from manholes along the municipal storm sewer between the service shop and the outfall to Two Mile Creek. As discussed in Section 3.5, the analytical results indicate that PCBs from the site probably migrated into the municipal storm sewer along Milens Road. However, the analytical results from samples collected beyond the Milens Road storm sewer do not conclusively indicate that the impact of site activities has extended beyond the Milens Road storm sewer. In addition to the off-site storm sewer sampling, the NYSDEC requested that GE also sample sediments in Two Mile Creek. Until sampling in Two Mile Creek has been conducted and the analytical results indicate that a release has occurred, sediments in Two Mile Creek will not be addressed.

The approval to operate a commercial PCB storage area was granted by the EPA under TSCA. Therefore, the EPA is the lead agency for the closure of the PCB storage area. As discussed in Section 3.6, the closure is being conducted in accordance with the *Revised Closure Plan*, which was approved by the EPA on June 29, 2000. Due to the separate regulatory programs and different lead agencies, this work will continue to be conducted independently from the CMS process. The scope of the closure of the commercial PCB storage area includes some areas (such as the depressed dock in which the truck bay trench and sump reside) that are also included in the CMS. The anticipated closure activities are the same as those being considered in the potential corrective measures. Thus, it is possible that some of these areas may be addressed by the closure before GE implements corrective measures at the site.

The remainder of this section summarizes the conditions in each of the six areas that URS evaluated in this focused CMS.

Surface Soils Near the Rail Spur

Surface soil in the rail spur area, which is northeast of the building, contains PCBs at concentrations that exceed the NYSDEC's RSCOs. Figure 6 shows the lateral extent of the PCB-impacted soil. As shown, the impacted soil extends south and north of the property line and includes an on-site soil mound east of the fenced area.

Former Rinse Water UST Excavation

Figure 7 shows the extent of the PCB-containing soil in the area near the sewer lines, the old oil/water separator, and the former UST excavation immediately east of the building. The former rinse water UST excavation is in the southeastern part of the impacted area (Figure 8). Portions of the surface soil, subsurface soil, and the perched groundwater in this area contain concentrations of PCBs or VOCs that exceed NYSDEC's RSCOs. The impacted subsurface soil is limited to the fill around the sewer lines and in the former rinse water UST excavation. The shallow perched groundwater that is in the fill material also contains PCBs and VOCs. However, this shallow groundwater is separated from the underlying groundwater table by at least 13 feet of low-permeability clay.

Sewer Lines East of the Building Near the Former Rinse Water Tank

A section of the sewer lines that are east of the building are being considered separately from the rest of the on-site storm sewers because of the potential for the perched groundwater in the fill material, near the former rinse water UST excavation, to infiltrate the sewer lines and migrate off-site. As shown in Figure 7, both the storm sewer line and the sanitary sewer line pass through the PCB and VOC impacted area.

Area Near the Old Oil/Water Separator

Figure 7 shows the extent of the soil near the sewer lines, the old oil/water separator, and the former UST excavation immediately east of the building that has been affected by PCBs. The old oil/water separator is in the northern part of the impacted area (Figure 8). The surface soil near the old oil/water separator contains concentrations of PCBs that exceed the NYSDEC's RSCO.

On-Site Storm Sewers and Drains

The on-site storm sewers and drains are shown in Figure 4. During the numerous investigations at the site, PCB containing sediments have been found in the three catch basins at the site, in two of the three manholes, as well as in the truck bay trench and the truck bay sump in the depressed dock area. Traces of VOCs have also been detected in some of the sediment samples. Three drains at the shop have not been sampled, but have been included in the CMS. A trench drain in the rail bay and a floor drain in the northeast part of the service shop appear to connect to the storm sewers. In addition, the drainage structure in the truck bay west of the depressed dock, which is believed to be independent of the sewer systems, will be included in the corrective measures.

Storm Sewer Along Milens Road

During the off-site storm sewer investigation (Section 3.5), PCB-containing sediments were found in the municipal storm sewer along Milens Road. Therefore, this area has been included in the CMS. As shown in Figure 4, this line is approximately 1,200 feet long.

4.2 OBJECTIVES

Based on the results of the RFI, corrective actions at GE's Tonawanda service shop should address these four potential exposure and contaminant migration pathways:

- Direct contact with sediments, surface soils, subsurface soils, and perched groundwater that contains PCBs and VOCs;
- Off-site transport of PCB-contaminated sediments and soils;
- Infiltration of water through contaminated soil; and
- Migration of contaminated perched groundwater.

Table 1 lists the New York State groundwater standards (6 NYCRR Part 700) and the RSCOs (NYSDEC TAGM HWR-94-4046) that will be used as cleanup criteria for the PCBs and VOCs detected in the soil, sediments, and perched groundwater at the Tonawanda facility. The corrective action objectives for the Tonawanda site, which were established in the *CMS Task I Report* and approved by the NYSDEC, are to:

- Remove or prevent contact with and off-site transport of sediments that contain PCBs at concentrations greater than the RSCO of 1 mg/kg;
- Remove or prevent contact with, off-site transport of, and infiltration of precipitation through surface soils that contain PCBs at concentrations greater than the RSCO of 1 mg/kg;
- Remove or prevent contact with, and infiltration through, subsurface soils that contain PCBs or VOCs at concentrations greater than the RSCOs listed in Table 1; and
- Prevent or control the migration of perched groundwater that contain PCBs or VOCs at concentrations that exceed New York State groundwater standards.

5.0 CORRECTIVE MEASURE TECHNOLOGIES

In the *CMS Task I Report*, Dames & Moore evaluated 15 corrective measure technologies that could potentially be applicable to GE's Tonawanda service shop, based on the RFI results and Dames & Moore's understanding of site conditions. These technologies were:

- No Action;
- Institutional Actions;
- Monitoring;
- Surface Capping;
- Surface Controls;
- Dust Controls;
- Excavation and Removal;
- Lining Sewers;
- On-Site Disposal;
- Off-Site Disposal;
- Pretreatment (Dewatering and Solid Separation);
- Thermal Treatment;
- Chemical Treatment;
- Immobilization and Physical Treatment; and
- In-Situ Treatment.

These potentially applicable corrective measure technologies are briefly described in this section.

No Action

The no-action alternative involves allowing the site to remain in its current condition and taking no action to address the issues of PCB- and VOC-impacted soil, sediment, and groundwater contamination. The no action alternative is included for the purpose of comparison.

Institutional Actions

Institutional actions involve placing access restrictions on areas that contain contaminated media. Institutional actions may include imposing deed restrictions, posting signs, and installing fences. Institutional controls can limit human exposure to materials that remain on site.

Monitoring

Groundwater monitoring at wells within and at the perimeter of a site is used to track the movement or degradation of contaminants in the groundwater. Monitoring is useful in evaluating the effectiveness of other remedial technologies.

Surface Capping

Surface capping involves the placement of covers constructed of materials such as synthetic membranes, asphalt, concrete, clay, bentonite, and soil. Caps serve as barriers to prevent contact with contaminated soil. They may also be used to limit surface water infiltration, thereby lessening the impact of soil contamination on groundwater quality.

Surface Controls

Surface controls include slope grading and diversion and collection ditches to control the flow of surface water. Erosion controls limit the transport of contaminated surface soil. Surface controls are a method for containing contamination and are effective when used with treatment or removal technologies.

Dust Controls

Dust controls, including revegetation, capping, and watering, help to reduce contaminant transport through airborne particulate material. Dust controls are effective when used in conjunction with treatment or removal technologies.

Excavation and Removal

The excavation and removal of contaminated soil and sediments involves excavating, loading, and transporting the soil to an on-site or off-site facility for treatment or disposal. The excavated

areas are usually backfilled with clean material. Excavation can also include the removal of sediments from structures such as catch basins, manholes, and sewers.

Lining Sewers

Lining sewer pipes after they have been cleaned will prevent infiltration into the pipes from contaminated subsurface soil or groundwater.

On-Site Disposal

On-site disposal of soil or sediment takes place at a new or existing on-site landfill. The landfill must be constructed in accordance with the Federal and State regulations governing the disposal of solid, hazardous, and toxic wastes. On-site disposal is an effective means of containment, although it does not permanently destroy or reduce the toxicity of the waste.

Off-Site Disposal

Off-site disposal takes placed at a properly licensed off-site facility to which the waste material must be transported. Off-site disposal is an effective means of containment, although it does not permanently destroy or reduce the toxicity of the waste.

Pretreatment

The treatment or disposal of contaminated soils and sediments may require pretreatment such as dewatering or solids separation. Methods of dewatering include centrifuging, gravity thickening, and filtration. Both the solids and the water must be treated or disposed appropriately.

Thermal Treatment

Thermal treatment is used to destroy or desorb organic contaminants from soil. Thermal soil aeration or desorption involves heating contaminated soil or sediment to a temperature at which volatile and semi-volatile organic compounds volatilize. Incineration involves heating the soil to the point of combustion in order to oxidize organic material, including contaminants. The offgases from thermal treatment are treated to remove the organic compounds and particulate matter.

Chemical Treatment

Chemical treatment can be used to immobilize, extract, or detoxify contaminants. Chemical treatment technologies include soil washing, solvent extraction, and chemical detoxification.

Physical Treatment

Physical treatment methods include solidification and stabilization, encapsulation, and volatilization. Solidification and stabilization involves mixing waste with a solidifying agent, producing a solid matrix in which contaminants are mechanically fixed. Encapsulation methods seal contaminants within an organic binder or resin. Volatilization of contaminants can be accomplished through mechanical aeration or thermal treatment.

Immobilization

Immobilization methods, which include precipitation, chelation, and polymerization, bind contaminants, making them less mobile. Immobilization techniques tend to be applied to inorganic contaminants such as metals rather than organic compounds like PCBs and VOCs.

In-Situ Treatment

In-situ treatment can be used to immobilize, volatilize, detoxify, destroy, or remove contaminants. In-situ treatment technologies include bioremediation, heating, soil flushing, vitrification, and soil vapor extraction.

In the CMS Task I Report, Dames & Moore eliminated on-site disposal, immobilization and physical treatment, chemical treatment, and in-situ treatment from consideration based on site-specific constraints including the size of the site and the nature and limited extent of the contamination. The remaining technologies were combined into the five corrective measure alternatives that are evaluated in this Revised CMS Final Report.

6.0 EVALUATION CRITERIA

In accordance with the 373 Permit, the corrective measure alternatives developed in the CMS Task I Report have been evaluated on the basis of technical, environmental, human health, and institutional concerns, and a cost estimate has been developed for each alternative. This section describes the evaluation criteria that are used in the CMS.

6.1 TECHNICAL EVALUATION

The technical evaluation of each alternative includes evaluations of the expected performance, reliability, implementability, and safety of each corrective measure alternative.

Performance

The evaluation of the performance of each alternative focuses on its expected effectiveness and useful life. The effectiveness is evaluated in terms of the ability of the alternative to contain, remove, destroy, or treat sources of concern, including VOC- and PCB-impacted soil and water. The useful life of each alternative is defined as the length of time for which the effectiveness can be maintained. This is a function of the expected service lives of various components of the alternative and the availability of required resources.

Reliability

The reliability of the alternatives is a function of operation and maintenance requirements and the demonstrated reliability of the component technologies, both individually and in combination, under conditions similar to those anticipated at GE's Tonawanda service shop.

Implementability

The evaluation of the alternatives' implementability addresses the ease of construction, the time required for construction, and the time required for beneficial results to be observed.

Safety

The evaluation of the safety of each alternative focuses on the safety of nearby communities and environments as well as workers during implementation.

6.2 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The environmental assessment for each alternative focuses on the facility conditions and contamination migration pathways addressed by each alternative. The assessment includes an evaluation of the short- and long-term beneficial and adverse effects of the alternative, an examination of the effects of the alternative on environmentally sensitive areas, and an analysis of the measures available to mitigate adverse effects.

6.3 HUMAN HEALTH EFFECTS

Each alternative has been evaluated in terms of the extent to which it mitigates short- and long-term potential exposure to residual contamination, and in terms of the ability of the alternative to protect human health both during and after implementation. This evaluation includes estimates of levels and types of contamination that will remain at GE's property, potential exposure routes, and potentially affected populations.

Each alternative has been evaluated to estimate the potential level of exposure to contaminants during and after its implementation. The anticipated residual contaminant levels have been compared with relevant standards, criteria, and guidelines for the protection of human health.

6.4 INSTITUTIONAL NEEDS

Each alternative has been evaluated to assess the impact of various institutional requirements on its design, operation, and timing. The alternatives are evaluated to assess whether they will comply with relevant federal, New York State, and local environmental and public health standards, regulations, criteria, and guidelines.

The Corrective Measure Study process for GE's Tonawanda site is regulated under RCRA. Portions of the federal TSCA regulations that pertain to low-occupancy areas will be considered

as guidelines. According to TSCA [40 CFR 761.61 (a)(4)(i)], bulk PCB remediation waste, such as soil, in low occupancy areas must be cleaned up to contain PCB concentrations less than or equal to 25 mg/kg. Soil with PCB concentrations between 25 and 50 mg/kg may remain at the site if it is enclosed with fences posted with appropriate signs. Soil with PCB concentrations between 25 and 100 mg/kg may remain at the site if it is covered with an asphalt cap with a minimum thickness of six inches. The deed to the site must be amended to require the owner of the site to maintain the asphalt cap. The NYSDEC's groundwater standards and RSCOs for PCBs and VOCs also apply to GE's site.

In addition to the consideration of the ability of the alternatives to comply with regulations and guidelines, URS' evaluation takes into account the anticipated reaction of the local community to the implementation of the alternatives.

6.5 COST ESTIMATE

The present worth of each corrective measure alternative has been estimated using a discount rate of five percent and a maximum project life of thirty years. The estimated present worth includes direct and indirect capital costs and annual operation and maintenance costs. The components that are considered for each of these costs are:

Direct Capital Costs

- Construction costs, including materials, labor, and construction equipment;
- Equipment costs, including treatment, containment, disposal, and service equipment; and
- Buildings and services costs, including process and non-process buildings, utility connections, purchased services, and disposal.

Indirect Capital Costs

- Engineering expenses, including administration, preparation of plans (soil management, access control), developing an operation and maintenance schedule, design, construction supervision, drafting, and testing of alternatives;
- Legal fees and license or permit costs;
- Startup and shakedown costs; and

• Contingency allowances for unforeseen circumstances.

Operation and Maintenance Costs

- Operating labor costs;
- Maintenance materials and labor costs;
- Auxiliary materials and energy, including electricity, chemicals, water and sewer service,
 and fuel;
- Purchased services, including sampling costs and laboratory fees;
- Disposal and treatment costs for waste materials generated during the operation of the alternative;
- Administrative costs;
- Insurance, taxes, and licensing costs; and
- Maintenance reserve and contingency funds.

The sources used to develop the cost estimates include vendor quotes and published reference materials, including R. S. Means' *Environmental Cost Data – Assemblies* (2000) and R. S. Means' *Heavy Construction Cost Data* (2000).

7.0 CORRECTIVE MEASURE ALTERNATIVES

The five corrective measure alternatives assembled in the *CMS Task I Report* are described and evaluated in this section. These five alternatives are:

- Alternative 1: No Action with Access Controls;
- Alternative 2: Surface Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal;
- Alternative 3: Asphalt Caps
- Alternative 4: Surface and Subsurface Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal; and
- Alternative 5: On-Site Thermal Desorption.

This section also includes a description and evaluation of a sixth alternative, which is referred to as Alternative 3A: Asphalt Cap over Subsurface Soil and Access Restrictions for Surface Soils. This alternative represents a variation on Alternative 3, which was originally presented in the CMS Task I Report.

The six alternatives have been updated to address NYSDEC's comments on the April 24, 2000 Final CMS Report and to incorporate the results of the Supplemental Sewer Investigation, the Supplemental Investigation of soil along the east side of the building, and the Off-Site Storm Sewer Investigation. Figures 9 through 14 show site plans that depict the major elements of each alternative. Table 5 presents a summary of the major elements of the six alternatives. The remainder of this section, which is Task II of the CMS, provides a detailed description and evaluation of each of the six corrective measure alternatives.

7.1 ALTERNATIVE 1: NO ACTION WITH ACCESS CONTROLS

The no-action alternative involves:

- Institutional actions
 - Fences and signs
 - Deed restrictions
- Groundwater monitoring

The no action alternative is presented for the purpose of comparison. As shown in Figure 9, the existing fence would be extended to enclose an additional 9,000-square-foot area around the rail spur where surface soil with PCB concentrations greater than 1 mg/kg has been found. Additional new fences east and north of the building would limit access to the area containing PCB- and VOC-impacted soil and perched groundwater. Signs would be posted along the fence line, at building exits leading to the fenced-off area, and near the truck bay trench and sump. The deed for the property would be amended to restrict future use of the land to reduce the risk of human contact with contaminants.

Annual groundwater samples would be collected and analyzed to monitor the PCBs and VOCs that remain in the groundwater at the site. The shallow, perched groundwater would be monitored at monitoring well MW-4. The deeper groundwater would be monitored at existing monitoring well MW-5, which is east of the building, and at two new monitoring wells (MW-6 and MW-7), which would be installed northwest and southwest of the building, respectively(Figure 9). The two new wells, which would be constructed of two-inch polyvinyl chloride (PVC) pipe, would be screened in a ten-foot interval approximately 60 to 70 feet below the ground surface. No other remedial actions would be taken.

URS estimates that if Alternative 1 were selected and incorporated into a modified *373 Permit* for GE's service shop, the final design could be completed within six weeks. We anticipate that construction of the corrective measure could be completed within eight weeks of NYSDEC's approval of the final corrective measure design.

Annual operation and maintenance for this corrective measure would include fence maintenance and groundwater monitoring. The groundwater quality at the site would be monitored annually for thirty years following the construction of the corrective measure.

URS anticipates that if impacted perched groundwater were affecting the underlying groundwater, it would become apparent during the first five-years of the monitoring program in samples from monitoring wells screened in the deep groundwater. During the RFI, the depth to perched groundwater at monitoring well MW-3, which is screened in the fill, was approximately six feet below the ground surface. If the clay has an assumed hydraulic conductivity on the order

of 10⁻⁶ cm/s and an estimated porosity of approximately 0.35, perched groundwater would infiltrate downward at a rate of approximately 3 feet per year, which is a conservative estimate. Thus, impacted perched groundwater would reach the screened interval of deep monitoring well MW-5, which is approximately 40 feet below the base of the former UST excavation, within approximately 15 years after it had begun to infiltrate. The perched groundwater in the fill in the former rinse water UST excavation has probably been impacted since before the former rinse water UST was removed in 1986. URS anticipates that the thirty-year monitoring program would be completed in 2032, by which time impacts to the underlying deep groundwater, if there were any, should have become apparent.

7.1.1 Technical Evaluation

The no-action alternative would not contain, remove, destroy, or treat the PCB- and VOC-impacted soil, sediment, and perched groundwater at the Tonawanda Apparatus Service Center. Alternative 1 would require little maintenance to remain operational, and could be implemented with little difficulty. Alternative 1 would pose little risk to worker or public safety during implementation, but site workers would still face a significant risk of exposure to PCB-impacted surface soil.

7.1.2 Environmental Impact

Alternative 1 does not address the facility conditions or the four contaminant migration and exposure pathways identified in the CMS Task I Report.

7.1.3 Human Health Effects

Alternative 1 would lessen the general public's risk of exposure by restricting access to impacted areas.

7.1.4 Institutional Needs

Alternative 1 would not comply with state and federal standards, criteria, and guidelines for the concentrations of PCBs and VOCs in soil, sediment, and water. PCBs would remain in the soil

at concentrations greater than the NYSDEC's RSCO of less than 1 mg/kg at depths of ten inches or less and less than 10 mg/kg at depths greater than ten inches. VOC concentrations in the soil would also remain at concentrations greater than the NYSDEC's RSCOs.

Public reaction is anticipated to be generally negative if GE should choose to take no action at the Tonawanda site. The terms of the *373 Permit* require GE to make the public aware of the presence of impacted soils, sediments, and perched groundwater at the site.

7.1.5 Cost Estimate

Table 6 presents a preliminary cost estimate for Alternative 1. The estimated present worth of Alternative 1 is \$150,000. This includes an estimated capital cost of approximately \$40,000 and annual operation and maintenance costs of approximately \$7,000 for thirty years.

7.2 ALTERNATIVE 2: SURFACE SOIL EXCAVATION AND OFF-SITE DISPOSAL

The second proposed corrective measure alternative involves:

- Institutional actions
 - Deed restrictions
- Surface soil excavation and backfill
 - Rail spur
 - East of building
 - Off-site soil south of rail spur
 - Off-site soil north of rail spur
 - Small areas near fence east of building
 - Small areas between building and east fence
- Sediment removal
 - Truck bay trench and sump
 - Rail bay trench
 - Truck bay drain
 - On-site storm sewer, including manholes and catch basins
 - Off-site storm sewer along Milens Road, including manholes

- Off-site disposal of soil and sediment
- Storm sewer cleaning, on-site (including manholes, catch basins, trench drains, and the sump) and along Milens Road (including manholes)
- Sealing of floor drain in northeast part of building
- Sewer lining
- Groundwater monitoring

In this alternative, which is depicted in Figure 10, surface soil with PCB concentrations greater than the RSCO of 1 mg/kg would be excavated and properly disposed off-site. During the design phase, access agreements with the neighboring property owners would be negotiated and soil samples would be collected to further define the extent of the impact. Confirmatory soil samples would be collected from the base of the excavation and analyzed for PCBs. An estimated 19,700 square-foot area around the rail spur, and an area of approximately 3,400 square feet near the old oil/water separator and the former rinse water UST excavation on the east side of the building would be excavated to a depth of one foot. The removal would include a roughly 150-cubic-yard soil pile near the rail spur, the off-site soil south of the rail spur and the off-site soil north of the rail spur. The railroad spur itself would remain intact. A total of approximately 1,030 cubic yards of impacted soil would be removed. The excavations would be backfilled with clean material imported from off-site, graded, and restored by seeding or paving. In addition, GE would remove an estimated 20 cubic yards of sediments from the truck bay trench and sump, the rail bay trench, the on-site storm sewer and the storm sewer along Milens Road. The sediments would be dewatered and transported off-site for disposal at properlylicensed facilities. Samples of the excavated materials would be analyzed for PCBs and VOCs to properly characterize the materials for disposal.

The estimated 1,750 tons of soil and sediments with PCB concentrations less than 50 mg/kg could be disposed in a solid waste landfill. The remaining 86 tons of material with PCB concentrations of 50 mg/kg or greater would be disposed in a TSCA landfill.

The deed to the property would be amended to restrict the future use of an area of approximately 2,300 square feet east of the building near the former rinse water tank excavation, where

subsurface soil and perched groundwater that contain elevated concentrations of PCBs and VOCs would remain.

The on-site storm sewers, including the three on-site catch basins, the three on-site storm sewer manholes, the two trench drains, the sump, and the truck bay drain would be cleaned to remove residual contamination. In addition, the off-site sewers along Milens Road would be cleaned from the service shop up to manhole MH-5. The water generated by the cleaning would be treated on-site and discharged to the sewer under the terms of an appropriate permit. The floor drain in the northeast part of the building that connects to the storm sewer would be sealed to avoid recontaminating the cleaned sewer. The rail bay trench drain and the truck bay trench drain, which also connect to the storm sewers, would not be sealed because they are necessary to shop operations. Approximately 100 feet of both the four-inch sanitary sewer and the eight-inch storm sewer near the old oil/water separator and the former rinse water tank excavation would be lined to prevent the infiltration of perched groundwater.

The annual operation and maintenance activities would be limited to groundwater monitoring. The groundwater quality would be monitored for thirty years, as described for Alternative 1.

URS estimates that if Alternative 2 were selected and incorporated into a modified *373 Permit* for GE's service shop, the final design could be completed within 90 days. We anticipate that construction of the corrective measure, including contractor selection, could be completed within five months of NYSDEC approval of the final corrective measure design. The groundwater quality at the site would be monitored annually for thirty years after the implementation of the corrective measure.

7.2.1 Technical Evaluation

Once the excavated areas were backfilled, Alternative 2 would minimize the risk of human contact with PCB-impacted surface soils. Cleaning the storm sewer, the trench drains, and sump would prevent the PCB- and VOC-impacted sediments currently in the truck bay trench and sump and storm sewer system from migrating further off-site. Cleaning the off-site sewers along Milens Road will remove residual contamination. Sealing the interior floor drain, which is in the

northeast part of the service shop, that discharges to the storm sewer would reduce the risk of recontamination of the storm sewer. Alternative 2 would not address the PCB- and VOC-impacted subsurface soils and perched groundwater on the east side of the building. However, because the native low permeability clay separates the impacted subsurface soil and perched groundwater from the underlying groundwater, it is unlikely that the perched water would impact the underlying groundwater.

Excavation and disposal of contaminated materials at a properly permitted landfill is a reliable, proven technology for addressing PCB- and VOC-impacted soils and sediments. Sewer lining is a reliable way to improve the integrity of underground piping and to reduce the potential for perched groundwater to infiltrate into the sewer.

Alternative 2 could be implemented with little difficulty. Excavation and backfilling are common construction-related activities, and the contractor performing the work would be expected to comply with federal and state health and safety regulations. The risk to public safety should also be minimal as long as the activities occur in a fenced-off area and adequate dust control measures are used. The truck traffic from the transportation of the excavated materials to off-site facilities and the importation of clean backfill would slightly increase the risk of transportation-related accidents.

7.2.2 Environmental Impact

Alternative 2 would address the four potential contaminant migration and exposure pathways identified in the *CMS Task I Report*. The excavation and removal of surface soil would reduce the risk of direct contact with impacted materials as well as the potential for groundwater contamination by infiltration through impacted surface soil. Cleaning the storm sewer, catch basins, manholes, and trench drains and sealing the interior floor drain, which is in the northeast part of the shop, that discharges to the storm sewer would address the primary potential route for the off-site transport of impacted materials. A small potential exists that by not sealing the rail bay trench and the truck bay trench the storm sewers could be recontaminated. The potential for the migration of perched groundwater into the sewers or to the water table would be lessened by

lining the sewers near the former rinse water tank excavation and by the thick low permeability clay beneath the perched groundwater.

7.2.3 Human Health Effects

Alternative 2 would significantly reduce the risk of human exposure to PCBs in surface soils and PCBs and VOCs in sediments. The work would be performed under a contractor's health and safety plan, and the risk of exposure to PCBs during the excavation and filling would be minimal if adequate dust controls and personal protective equipment (PPE) were used. However, PCB-and VOC- impacted subsurface soil and perched groundwater would remain. The impacted water is perched in the fill near the surface, several feet above the water table and does not appear to pose a threat to any source of drinking water. The perched groundwater could eventually migrate downward to the water table or infiltrate the sewers and be transported offsite, increasing the risk of human exposure. However, groundwater samples from monitoring well MW-4, which is screened in the fill near the sewers in the southwest corner of the site, show no evidence of PCB or VOC impacts.

7.2.4 Institutional Needs

Alternative 2 would comply with the RSCO by excavating surface soils containing PCB concentrations greater than 1 mg/kg be and replacing them with clean fill. However, subsurface soil with PCB concentrations greater than 10 mg/kg would remain in a limited area. VOC concentrations in this limited area would also exceed the NYSDEC's RSCOs. Although PCB-and VOC- impacted groundwater would remain in the area near the former rinse water UST excavation, the results of the RFI indicate that this groundwater is perched in the fill well above the water table and is thus not a source of drinking water. The perched and deep groundwater would be monitored to evaluate whether the impacted perched water will affect the groundwater quality in the underlying groundwater.

The community reaction to Alternative 2 is expected to be more favorable than the reaction to Alternative 1. As shown in Table 5, Alternative 2 takes several steps to eliminate the risk of exposure to PCBs or VOCs through direct contact. However, it is anticipated that there still

would be some apprehension about the possible risks involved in leaving the impacted subsurface soil in place in the former rinse water tank area without some form of containment.

7.2.5 Cost Estimate

Table 7 presents a preliminary cost estimate for Alternative 2. The estimated present worth of Alternative 2 is \$380,000. This includes an estimated capital cost of approximately \$304,000 and annual operation and maintenance costs of approximately \$5,000 for thirty years.

7.3 ALTERNATIVE 3: ASPHALT CAPS

The third proposed corrective measure alternative, which is depicted in Figure 11, involves:

- Institutional actions
 - Fences and signs
 - Deed restrictions
- Surface soil excavation
 - Soil pile near rail spur
 - Off-site soil south of rail spur
 - Off-site soil north of rail spur
 - Small areas near fence east of building
 - Small areas between building and east fence
- Sediment removal
 - Truck bay trench and sump
 - Rail bay trench
 - Truck bay drain
 - On-site storm sewer, including manholes and catch basins
 - Off-site storm sewer along Milens Road, including manholes
- Off-site disposal of soil and sediment
- Storm sewer cleaning, on-site (including manholes, catch basins, trench drains, and the sump) and off-site along Milens Road
- Sealing of floor drain in northeast part of building
- Sewer lining

- Asphalt caps
 - Rail spur
 - Former rinse water UST area
- Groundwater monitoring

In Alternative 3, the soil mound near the rail spur and the off-site soil north and south of the rail spur would be excavated and disposed off-site at appropriately permitted facilities. The two small areas of impacted surface soil near the fence east of the building and the three areas between the building and the east fence would be excavated to a depth of one foot, and placed under the asphalt caps. During the design phase, access agreements with the neighboring property owners would be negotiated and samples would be collected to define the extent of the impact. Confirmatory soil samples would be collected and clean backfill imported from off-site would be placed in the excavations.

Asphalt caps would be constructed over a 24,000 square foot area near the rail spur and a 3,100 square foot area near the former rinse water UST excavation and the sewer lines east of the building. The soil excavated from the small areas near the fence and the between the building and the east fence would be placed beneath the caps. The caps would consist of a base course of three-quarter inch stone topped with a minimum of six inches of asphalt. The cap in the rail spur area would be constructed around the rails, which would remain intact. The caps would be sloped to prevent the accumulation of precipitation on the caps. The deed to the property would be amended to prohibit the disruption of the asphalt caps and to require the owner of the property to maintain the caps.

The sewers would be cleaned and lined and the floor drain in the northeast part of the building would be sealed as in Alternative 2. The groundwater would be monitored for thirty years as described in Alternatives 1 and 2. In addition, the asphalt caps would be inspected annually and repaired, as needed, to maintain their integrity.

URS estimates that if Alternative 3 were selected and incorporated into a modified 373 Permit for GE's Tonawanda service shop, the final design could be completed within 90 days. We

anticipate that construction of the corrective measure, including contractor selection, could be completed within five months of NYSDEC approval of the final corrective measure design. The groundwater quality at the site would be monitored annually for thirty years following GE's implementation of the corrective measure.

7.3.1 Technical Evaluation

Alternative 3 would remove or contain the PCB- and VOC-impacted materials at GE's service shop. As in Alternative 2, cleaning the storm sewer, the truck bay trench and sump, and the rail bay trench would prevent the PCB- and VOC-impacted sediments currently in the truck bay trench and sump and in the storm sewers from migrating off-site. Cleaning the off-site sewers along Milens Road would remove the residual contamination. Sealing the interior floor drain in the northeast part of the building would reduce the risk of recontamination of the storm sewer.

Well maintained asphalt caps would be a reliable containment method for the impacted soil and perched groundwater at GE's Tonawanda service shop, which is limited to surface soil, fill in the former rinse water UST excavation and along the sewer lines east of the building, and perched groundwater associated with the fill material. These impacted materials, which are within ten feet of the ground surface, are separated from the underlying groundwater by approximately 13 feet of native low-permeability clay. Previous investigations have indicated that the underlying groundwater has not been impacted by PCBs or VOCs.

Alternative 3 would not be difficult to implement, although construction of the cap around the rail spur would require caution to ensure that the rail spur would remain serviceable. The asphalt caps would require regular long-term maintenance. Because Alternative 3 would require little excavation, the risk of worker injury from excavation would be very small. The truck traffic from the importation of fill and material for the asphalt cap would slightly increase the risk of transportation-related accidents.

7.3.2 Environmental Impact

The placement of the half-acre asphalt cap around the rail spur would alter the drainage characteristics of the area that is currently unpaved. The cap would be sloped to direct the runoff away from the capped area as sheet flow.

Alternative 3 would address the four potential contaminant migration and exposure pathways identified in the *CMS Task I Report*. Cleaning the storm sewer, catch basins, manholes, and trench drains and sealing the interior floor drain, which is in the northeast part of building, would address the primary potential route for off-site transport of impacted materials. Cleaning the off-site storm sewer along Milens Road would remove residual contamination. A small potential exists that by not sealing the rail bay trench and the truck bay trench the storm sewers could be recontaminated. The asphalt caps would reduce the risk of direct contact with impacted materials as well as the potential for groundwater contamination by infiltration through impacted soil. The perched groundwater could still potentially migrate into the sewers or to the water table, but this potential would be lessened by the lining of the sewers near the former rinse water tank excavation and by the low permeability clay beneath the perched groundwater.

7.3.3 Human Health Effects

A properly maintained asphalt cap would greatly reduce the risk of human exposure to PCBs at the ground surface. The work would be performed under a contractor's health and safety plan, which would require the use of dust controls and PPE to mitigate the risk of worker exposure to impacted materials. Because impacted materials would remain at the site beneath the cap, the possibility remains that PCBs or VOCs could migrate to the water table or infiltrate the sewers and move off-site, leading to an increased risk of human exposure. However, the asphalt caps would prevent further infiltration of precipitation into the impacted surface soil and fill material, potentially eliminating the source of the perched groundwater.

7.3.4 Institutional Needs

Alternative 3 would comply with TSCA in its handling of surface soil and sediments. The sediments from the storm sewer catch basins and manholes and the soil from the mound near the

rail spur and off-site soil south of the rail spur would be removed from the site and disposed at properly permitted facilities. The asphalt caps would be constructed in accordance with TSCA requirements.

The community reaction to Alternative 3 is expected to be more favorable than the reaction to Alternative 2. Both alternatives take several steps to eliminate the risk of exposure to PCBs or VOCs through direct contact, but Alternative 3 also reduces the risk of infiltration through impacted materials. Public reaction may also be more positive because capping the impacted areas, rather than excavating and backfilling, would reduce the volume of truck traffic and the disruption of activity at and near the site.

7.3.5 Cost Estimate

Table 8 presents a preliminary cost estimate for Alternative 3. The estimated present worth of Alternative 3 is \$460,000. This includes an estimated capital cost of approximately \$199,000, annual operational and maintenance costs of approximately \$17,000 for 30 years.

7.4 ALTERNATIVE 3A: ASPHALT CAP OVER SUBSURFACE SOIL AND FENCE ENCLOSURE OF SURFACE SOIL

Alternative 3A, which is depicted in Figure 12, involves:

- Institutional actions
 - Fences and signs
 - Deed restrictions
- Surface soil excavation
 - Soil pile near rail spur
 - Isolated areas near rail spur
 - Off-site soil south of rail spur
 - Off-site soil north of rail spur
- Sediment removal
 - Truck bay trench and sump
 - Truck bay drain
 - Rail bay trench

- On-site storm sewer, including manholes and catch basins
- Off-site storm sewer along Milens Road
- Off-site disposal of soil and sediment
- Storm sewer cleaning, on-site (including manholes, catch basins, trench drains, and sump) and off-site along Milens Road
- Sealing of floor drain in northeast part of building
- Sewer lining
- Asphalt cap
 - Former rinse water UST area
- Groundwater monitoring

In Alternative 3A, approximately 150 cubic yards of soil in a mound near the rail spur would be excavated and disposed off-site at appropriately permitted facilities. Approximately 20 cubic yards of surface soil from two isolated areas near the rail spur with PCB concentrations greater than 25 mg/kg would be excavated and properly disposed off-site. In addition, approximately 67 cubic yards of off-site soil surface south of the rail spur and 4 cubic yard of off-site surface soil north of the rail spur would be excavated to a depth of one foot and properly disposed off-site. During the design phase, access agreements with neighboring property owners would be negotiated and samples would be collected to define extent. Additional fences would be erected north of the building and south of the former UST excavation, and the fence at the rail spur would be extended to restrict access to the rail spur area.

A 3,100 square foot asphalt cap would be constructed over the impacted soil near the former rinse water UST excavation and the sewer lines east of the building. The cap would consist of a base course of three-quarter inch stone topped with a minimum of six inches of asphalt. The cap would be sloped to prevent the accumulation of precipitation on the cap. The deed to the property would be amended to prohibit the disruption of the asphalt cap and to require the owner of the property to maintain the cap.

The sewers would be cleaned and lined and the floor drain in the northeast part of the building would be sealed as in Alternatives 2 and 3. The groundwater would be monitored for 30 years as

described in Alternatives 1, 2, and 3. The asphalt cap and fences would be inspected annually and repaired, as needed, to maintain their integrity.

URS estimates that if Alternative 3A were selected and incorporated into a modified *373 Permit* for GE's site, the final design could be completed within 90 days. We anticipate that construction of the corrective measure, including contractor selection, could be completed within five months of NYSDEC approval of the final corrective measure design. The groundwater quality at the site would be monitored annually for 30 years following GE's implementation of the corrective measure.

7.4.1 Technical Evaluation

Alternative 3A would remove or contain the PCB- and VOC-impacted materials at GE's Tonawanda service shop. As in Alternatives 2 and 3, cleaning the storm sewer, the truck bay trench and sump, and the rail bay sump would prevent the PCB- and VOC-impacted sediments that are currently in the truck bay trench and sump and in the storm sewers from migrating off-site. Cleaning the off-site storm sewer along Milens Road would remove residual contamination. Sealing the interior floor drain would reduce the risk of recontamination of the storm sewer.

A well maintained asphalt cap would be a reliable containment method for the impacted soil and perched groundwater immediately east of the service shop, which is limited to surface soil, fill in the former rinse water UST excavation and along the sewer lines east of the building, and perched groundwater associated with the fill material. These impacted materials, which are within ten feet of the ground surface, are separated from the underlying groundwater by approximately 40 feet of native low-permeability clay. Previous investigations have indicated that the underlying groundwater has not been impacted by PCBs or VOCs.

The rail spur area, in which impacted surface soil with PCB concentrations less than 25 mg/kg would remain, would be fenced off to limit access to the area. In accordance with TSCA requirements for low occupancy areas, signs would not be required on the fence because the remaining soil would have PCB concentrations less than 25 mg/kg. This alternative would not prevent infiltration through the impacted surface soils in the rail spur area. However, the slow

rate of infiltration through the native low-permeability clay at the rail spur is expected to produce a negligible impact on the underlying groundwater quality.

Alternative 3A would not be difficult to implement. The asphalt cap would require regular long-term maintenance. Because Alternative 3A would require little excavation, the risk of worker injury from excavation would be very small.

7.4.2 Environmental Impact

Alternative 3A would address the four potential contaminant migration and exposure pathways identified in the *CMS Task I Report*. Cleaning the storm sewer, catch basins, manholes, and trench drains and sealing the interior floor drain, which is in the northeast part of the shop, would address the primary potential route for off-site transport of impacted materials. A small potential exists that, by not sealing the rail bay trench and the truck bay trench, the storm sewers could be recontaminated. Cleaning the off-site storm sewer along Milens Road would remove residual contamination.

The fences around the rail spur would reduce the risk of direct contact with impacted materials. The asphalt cap would reduce the risk of direct contact with impacted materials as well as the potential for groundwater contamination by infiltration through impacted soil. The perched groundwater could still potentially migrate into the sewers or to the water table, but this potential would be lessened by the lining of the sewers near the former rinse water tank excavation and by the low permeability clay beneath the perched groundwater. Precipitation would infiltrate through the impacted surface soil at the rail spur, but the slow rate of infiltration through the native low permeability clay at the rail spur should not affect the quality of the deeper groundwater.

7.4.3 Human Health Effects

The additional fences in Alternative 3A would reduce the potential for human contact with PCB-impacted surface soil near the rail spur, and a properly maintained asphalt cap would greatly reduce the risk of human exposure to PCBs and VOCs immediately east of the building. The

removal of PCB impacted off-site surface soils south of the rail spur would remove the potential exposure pathway. The work would be performed under a contractor's health and safety plan, which would require the use of dust controls and PPE to mitigate the risk of worker exposure to impacted materials. Because impacted materials would remain at the site, the possibility remains that PCBs or VOCs could migrate to the water table or infiltrate into the sewers and move off-site, leading to an increased risk of human exposure. However, previous investigations have indicated that underlying groundwater has not been impacted by PCBs or VOCs. The asphalt cap would prevent further infiltration of precipitation into the impacted surface soil and fill material immediately east of the building, potentially eliminating the source of the perched groundwater.

7.4.4 Institutional Needs

Alternative 3A would comply with TSCA in its handling of surface soil and sediments. The sediments from the storm sewer catch basins and manholes, the soil from the mound and two isolated areas near the rail spur, and the off-site soil south of the rail spur would be removed from the site and disposed at properly permitted facilities. The asphalt cap would be constructed in accordance with TSCA requirements.

The community reaction to Alternative 3A is expected to be similar to the reaction to Alternative 3. Both alternatives take several steps to eliminate the risk of exposure to PCBs or VOCs through direct contact and to reduce the risk of infiltration through impacted materials. Alternative 3A would leave PCBs in the surface soil near the rail spur at concentrations less than 25 mg/kg, which would comply with the TSCA requirements for a low-occupancy area. The fences enclosing the impacted surface soil would minimize the risk of inadvertent direct contact with impacted materials.

7.4.5 Cost Estimate

Table 9 presents a preliminary cost estimate for Alternative 3A. The estimated present worth of Alternative 3A is \$300,000. This includes an estimated capital cost of approximately \$166,000, annual operation and maintenance costs of approximately \$9,000 for 30 years.

7.5 ALTERNATIVE 4: SURFACE AND SUBSURFACE SOIL EXCAVATION AND OFF-SITE DISPOSAL

The fifth proposed corrective measure alternative includes:

- Surface soil excavation and backfill
 - Rail spur
 - East of building
 - Small areas near fence east of building
 - Small areas between building and east fence
 - Off-site soil south of rail spur
 - Off-site soil north of rail spur
- Subsurface soil excavation and backfill
 - Former rinse water tank excavation
- Sediment removal
 - Truck bay trench and sump
 - Rail bay trench
 - Truck bay drain
 - On-site storm sewer, including manholes and catch basins
 - Off-site storm sewer along Milens Road, including manholes
- Storm sewer cleaning, on-site (including manholes, catchbasins, trench drains, and sump) and off-site along Milens Road
- Sealing of floor drain in northeast part of building
- Sewer replacement
- Off-site disposal of soil and sediment
- Groundwater monitoring

Alternative 4, which is depicted in Figure 13, is similar to Alternative 2, except that it also addresses subsurface contamination in the fill east of the building near the old oil/water separator and the former rinse water tank excavation. In Alternative 4, subsurface soil with PCB concentrations greater than the RSCO of 10 mg/kg would be excavated and properly disposed off-site. Approximately 440 cubic yards of impacted subsurface soil would be removed from the

area next to the building in addition to the 880 cubic yards from the rail spur area (on- and off-site soils) and isolated areas near the east fence. As in Alternatives 2, 3, and 3A, access agreements with neighboring property owners would be negotiated and samples would be collected to define extent during the design phase. Confirmatory samples would be collected following the excavation. However, as NYSDEC stated in their June 21, 2001 letter, the analytical results from the supplemental investigation along the east side of the building can be used in lieu of post-excavation samples on the west wall of the excavation where soil will be excavated near the footings of the building. The excavated areas would be backfilled with clean material that is imported from off-site. The backfilled areas would be restored by seeding or paving.

The approximately 100 cubic yards of soil excavated from regions saturated with perched groundwater would be dewatered prior to disposal. The water, along with the water generated by the sewer cleaning, would be treated and discharged to the sewer in accordance with appropriate permits.

The estimated 2,360 tons of soil with PCB concentrations less than 50 mg/kg would be disposed off-site as a non-hazardous solid waste. The remaining 235 tons with PCB concentrations in excess of 50 mg/kg would be disposed at a TSCA-licensed facility.

Approximately 80 feet of the four-inch sanitary sewer and the eight-inch storm sewer that pass through the excavated area east of the building would be removed and replaced. It would not be necessary to line the sewers as in Alternatives 2 and 3 because the perched groundwater would no longer contain elevated PCBs or VOCs. The remainder of the on-site storm sewers and the storm sewer along Milens Road would be treated as described in Alternative 2. The sediments would be removed, the storm sewers would be cleaned, and the floor drain in the northeast part of the shop would be sealed.

The removal of the impacted subsurface soil should eliminate the source of the contamination in the perched groundwater near the east side of the building. The underlying groundwater would be monitored annually for five years at existing monitoring well MW-5 and at two new monitoring wells. The two new monitoring wells would be constructed as described in Alternative 1.

No permanent fences or deed restrictions would be required once the impacted materials had been removed from the focused CMS areas.

URS estimates that if Alternative 4 were selected and incorporated into a modified *373 Permit* for GE's Tonawanda service shop, the final design could be completed within 90 days. We anticipate that construction of the corrective measure could be completed within five months of NYSDEC's approval of the final design and GE's selection of a remedial contractor. The groundwater quality at the site would be monitored, annually, for five years after GE completes the corrective measure.

7.5.1 Technical Evaluation

Alternative 4 would remove all of the known impacted soil, sediment, and groundwater from the focused CMS areas, thus eliminating the risk of human contact. Cleaning the on-site storm sewers, the truck bay trench and sump, and the rail bay trench would prevent the PCB- and VOC-impacted sediments from migrating off-site. Cleaning the off-site storm sewers along Milens Road would remove the residual contamination. Sealing the interior floor drain that discharges to the storm sewer would remove a potential route for sewer recontamination.

Excavation and disposal at a properly permitted landfill is a reliable, proven technology for addressing PCB-impacted soils and sediments. Removing the impacted soils and perched groundwater from the site should minimize the potential for the cleaned sewer system to become recontaminated through infiltration.

Alternative 4 could be implemented with little difficulty, although GE's operations would be interrupted during the replacement of the storm and sanitary sewers. Excavation and backfilling are common construction-related activities, and the contractor performing the work would be expected to comply with federal and state health and safety regulations. The risk to public safety should also be minimal as long as the activities occur in a fenced-off area and adequate dust control measures are used. The truck traffic from the transportation of the excavated materials to

off-site facilities and the importation of clean backfill would slightly increase the risk of transportation-related accidents.

7.5.2 Environmental Impact

Alternative 4 would address the four contaminant migration and potential exposure pathways identified in the *CMS Task I Report*. The excavation and removal of surface soil would reduce the risk of direct contact with impacted materials. The excavation and removal of the impacted subsurface soil east of the building would further reduce the likelihood of groundwater contamination by infiltration through impacted soil. The removal of the impacted soil near the former UST excavation would also eliminate the potential for impacted perched groundwater to migrate to the water table or infiltrate into the sewers. Cleaning the storm sewer, catch basins, and manholes, and trench drains and sump, and sealing the interior floor drain would address the primary potential route for off-site transport of impacted materials. A small potential exists that, by not sealing the rail bay trench and the truck bay trench, the storm sewers could be recontaminated.

7.5.3 Human Health Effects

Alternative 4 would significantly reduce the risk of human exposure to PCBs in surface soils and PCBs and VOCs in sediments and groundwater. The work would be performed under a contractor's health and safety plan, which would require the use of dust controls and PPE to lessen the risk of worker exposure to these organic compounds.

7.5.4 Institutional Needs

Alternative 4 would comply with TSCA in its handling of surface soil, subsurface soil, and sediments. Surface soil with PCB concentrations greater than 1 mg/kg and subsurface soil with PCB concentrations greater than 10 mg/kg would be excavated from the rail spur and former UST areas and replaced with clean fill. The excavated soil and the sediments removed from the storm sewer, the truck bay trench and sump, and the rail bay trench would be disposed at properly permitted off-site facilities. The subsurface soil with VOC concentrations that exceed

the NYSDEC's RSCOs would be removed and properly disposed off-site. Because all of the impacted materials in the focused CMS areas would be removed and properly disposed off-site, no deed restrictions would be required. Five years of groundwater monitoring is anticipated to be sufficient to establish that the groundwater quality beneath the site has not been impaired.

The community reaction to Alternative 4 is anticipated to be favorable. In addition to eliminating the risk of exposure to PCBs or VOCs through direct contact, Alternative 4 eliminates the possibility of contaminant migration off-site or to the water table by removing the remaining impacted materials from the site. However, Alternative 4 would cause more disruption to the businesses at, and near, the site than Alternatives 3 and 3A would, because of the significant volume of material that would be transported to and from the site.

7.5.5 Cost Estimate

Table 10 presents a preliminary cost estimate for Alternative 4. The estimated present worth of Alternative 4 is \$400,000. This includes an estimated capital cost of approximately \$375,000 and annual operation and maintenance costs of approximately \$5,000 for five years.

7.6 ALTERNATIVE 5: ON-SITE THERMAL DESORPTION

The sixth proposed corrective measure alternative includes:

- Surface soil excavation and backfill
 - Rail spur
 - East of building
 - Off-site soil south of rail spur
 - Off-site soil north of rail spur
 - Small areas near fence east of building
 - Small areas between building and east fence
- Subsurface soil excavation and backfill
 - Former rinse water tank excavation
- Sediment removal
 - Truck bay trench and sump

- Rail bay trench
- Truck bay drain
- On-site storm sewer, including manholes and catch basins
- Off-site storm sewer along Milens Road, including manholes
- Storm sewer cleaning, on-site (including manholes, catch basins, trench drains, and sump) and off-site along Milens Road
- Sealing of floor drain in northeast part of building
- Sewer replacement
- On-site thermal desorption of soil and sediment
- Groundwater monitoring

Alternative 5 would include all of the elements of Alternative 4 with the exception of off-site soil and sediment disposal. Instead, the excavated soil and sediment would be treated on-site using high-temperature thermal desorption (HTTD). Portable equipment would be mobilized to the site to treat the approximately 1,500 cubic yards of excavated soil and sediments to desorb and volatilize VOCs and PCBs. The portable system would be mounted on three trailers with a separate water treatment trailer. The total footprint of the system would be approximately 80 feet by 80 feet. Ideally, the HTTD system would be located near the excavations but far enough from the building to minimize the disruption of GE's business. Figure 14 shows one potential location for the HTTD system north of the rail spur. The off-gas and vapors from the HTTD system would be treated with granular-activated carbon (GAC) to remove VOCs and PCBs and exhausted under the terms of an appropriate permit. The GAC would then be disposed at a properly licensed off-site facility.

Following thermal desorption, samples of the treated soil would be analyzed to confirm that the remaining concentrations of VOCs and PCBs meet the cleanup objectives. The clean soil would then be used to backfill the excavated areas. The groundwater beneath the site would be monitored annually for five years as described in Alternative 4 to confirm that it had not been impaired.

URS estimates that if Alternative 5 were selected and incorporated into a modified *373 Permit* for GE's Tonawanda service shop, the final design could be completed within 90 days. We anticipate that construction of the corrective measure could be completed within six months of NYSDEC approval of the final corrective measure design and GE's selection of a remedial contractor. The groundwater quality at the site would be monitored annually for five years following GE's implementation of the corrective measure.

7.6.1 Technical Evaluation

Alternative 5 would remove the PCBs and VOCs from the impacted soil and sediment, allowing the excavations to be refilled with the excavated soil.

Alternative 5 would have more extensive short-term operation and maintenance requirements than the other five alternatives. A bench-scale test would be required to evaluate the suitability of the impacted materials for treatment by HTTD. Once constructed, this alternative would cause significant disruptions of GE's normal business operations. HTTD has been demonstrated to be effective in removing PCBs and VOCs (such as those found at GE's Tonawanda shop), although it is usually used at larger sites where the quantity of impacted soil exceeds 5,000 cubic yards (GE's Tonawanda site has approximately 1,500 cubic yards of impacted materials).

Portable HTTD systems should be available, but the mobilization, operation, and maintenance of the HTTD system would add to the time required to remediate GE's Tonawanda site. The risk of transportation-related injury with the implementation of Alternative 5 would not be significantly increased because the alternative would not require the off-site transportation of excavated material or the importation of fill.

7.6.2 Environmental Impact

Like Alternative 4, Alternative 5 would address all four potential contaminant migration and exposure pathways identified in the *CMS Task I Report*. Alternative 5 would have the added benefit of significantly reducing the toxicity of the impacted materials at the site. However, it would also increase the duration and complexity of the remediation. In addition, although

appropriate off-gas treatment would be used, the HTTD is likely to cause significant odor problems.

7.6.3 Human Health Effects

Alternative 5 would significantly reduce the risk of human exposure to PCBs in surface soils and PCBs and VOCs in sediments and groundwater. The work would be performed under a contractor's health and safety plan, which would require the use of dust controls and PPE to mitigate the risk of worker exposure to impacted materials.

7.6.4 Institutional Needs

Alternative 5 would comply with TSCA in its handling of surface soil, subsurface soil, and sediments. Surface soil with PCB concentrations greater than 1 mg/kg and subsurface soil with PCB concentrations greater than 10 mg/kg would be excavated from the rail spur and former UST areas. The excavated soil and the sediments removed from the storm sewer, the truck bay trench and sump, the rail bay trench and the truck bay would be treated on-site to reduce PCB concentrations to less than 1 mg/kg. The HTTD process would also reduce VOC concentrations to comply with the NYSDEC's RSCOs. Because the impacted soil in the focused CMS areas would be removed and treated before being used to backfill the excavations, no deed restrictions would be required. The groundwater beneath the site would be monitored for five years to confirm that it had not been impaired.

The initial community reaction to Alternative 5 should be generally positive. Like Alternative 4, Alternative 5 eliminates both the risk of exposure to PCBs or VOCs through direct contact and the possibility of contaminant migration off-site or downward to the water table. The concept of treating, rather than disposing, the soil may appeal to the public. However, once the construction of the HTTD system begins, the treatment process is likely to significantly disrupt the service center's activity. HTTD is known to cause odor problems, although the off-gases from the process are treated to remove hazardous constituents. The odor problems could have a negative impact on the lifestyle of the nearby community.

7.6.5 Cost Estimate

Table 11 presents a preliminary cost estimate for Alternative 5. The estimated present worth of Alternative 5 is \$1,460,000. This includes an estimated capital cost of approximately \$1,437,000 and annual operation and maintenance costs of approximately \$5,000 for five years.

7.7 COMPARISON OF ALTERNATIVES

This section presents a comparison of the six alternatives. Table 12 presents a summary of the estimated costs to implement the six corrective measure alternatives, and Table 13 presents a summary of the evaluations of the six alternatives.

The comparison of the corrective measure alternatives is based on their individual evaluations in Sections 7.1 through 7.6. The alternatives have been ranked qualitatively. In accordance with the terms of the *373 Permit*, preference has been given in the ranking process to the corrective measure alternatives that:

- Are most effective at performing the intended functions and maintaining performance for extended periods of time;
- Have proven effective under conditions similar to those anticipated at GE's Tonawanda facility;
- Do not require frequent or complex operation and maintenance activities;
- Can be constructed and operated to reduce levels of contamination to comply with applicable standards in the shortest period of time;
- Pose the least threat to the safety of nearby residents and environments as well as workers during implementation;
- Provide the minimum level of exposure to contaminants and the maximum reduction of exposure with time; and
- Pose the least adverse impact to the environment, or promise the greatest improvement, over the shortest period of time.

7.7.1 Technical Evaluation

Alternative 1, the no action alternative, will not remove or contain any contamination, nor would it address any of the potential contaminant migration pathways at the site. Alternative 1 can be removed from consideration because of its technical ineffectiveness.

All five of the remaining alternatives would minimize the risk of exposure from direct contact with surface soils, and all five have been used effectively at sites with conditions similar to those at GE's Tonawanda service shop. Alternatives 3, 3A, 4 and 5 have the added advantage of containing or removing PCBs and VOCs in subsurface soil and perched groundwater that could potentially migrate to the underlying groundwater or into the sewers and off-site. Alternative 3A would allow precipitation to infiltrate through the impacted surface soil near the rail spur. However, the slow rate of infiltration through the native low-permeability clay is expected to produce a negligible impact on the underlying groundwater quality. Alternative 5 involves the treatment of impacted soil and sediment, which is preferable to the containment offered by Alternatives 2, 3, 3A, and 4. However, Alternative 5 would be more difficult to implement than the other alternatives, and it would increase the duration of the remediation process.

7.7.2 Environmental Impact

Alternatives 2, 3, 3A, 4, and 5 address the four exposure pathways discussed in Section 4.0. The risk of exposure by direct contact is limited by removing, capping, or restricting access to impacted soils. The excavation and capping reduce the risk of groundwater contamination due to infiltration through impacted surface soils. The sewer cleaning reduces the risk of off-site migration of impacted materials and removes residual contamination from the off-site sewers. Lining the sewers would reduce the risk of infiltration into the sewers. Alternatives 2, 3, and 3A would leave the impacted subsurface soil and associated perched groundwater in place in the former UST excavation area. However, the asphalt caps in Alternatives 3 and 3A would prevent the infiltration of precipitation through some or all of the impacted materials. Alternative 3A would allow precipitation to infiltrate through the impacted surface soil near the rail spur. However, the slow rate of infiltration through the native low-permeability clay is expected to produce a negligible impact on the underlying groundwater quality.

7.7.3 Human Health Effects

Alternatives 2 through 5 eliminate the risk of human exposure to PCBs by direct contact with surface soils. These five alternatives also involve cleaning the storm sewer to prevent impacted sediments from reaching public waterways. While Alternatives 2, 3, and 3A allow impacted subsurface soil and the associated perched groundwater to remain in place, the impacted materials are well above the water table. Because native low permeability clay lies beneath the fill, there is little danger that the impacted materials would impact any source of drinking water. Alternative 3A would also allow precipitation to infiltrate through the surface soil near the rail spur. However, the slow rate of infiltration through the native low-permeability clay is expected to produce a negligible impact on the underlying groundwater quality. Alternative 3A would prevent infiltration through the impacted subsurface soil and perched groundwater east of the building. Alternatives 3, 4, and 5 would remove or contain all of the impacted materials in the focused CMS areas, thus eliminating the risk that precipitation could infiltrate through these materials and migrate off-site or to the water table.

7.7.4 Institutional Needs

Alternatives 2 through 5 comply with TSCA guidelines or state RSCOs regarding the removal or containment of PCB-impacted surface soil and sediments. Alternatives 3, 4 and 5 also comply with TSCA and RSCOs for unrestricted access areas regarding the removal or containment of PCB-impacted subsurface soils. Alternative 3A meets the TSCA requirements for a low occupancy area by removing or capping soil with PCB concentrations greater than 25 mg/kg and by adding fences to limit access to the remaining impacted materials.

The public's reaction to Alternatives 2 through 5 is anticipated to be generally favorable. Some concerns might arise about the risks of leaving impacted materials in place in Alternative 2. The disruption in activity and the unpleasant odors that would occur during the implementation of Alternative 5 could lead to a negative reaction from the immediate community.

7.7.5 Cost Estimate

Table 12 presents a summary of the estimated costs for the six corrective measure alternatives. This table is presented for reference. In accordance with the terms of the *373 Permit*, cost has not been considered as a factor in determining the most appropriate corrective measure for GE's Tonawanda service shop.

Table 12 shows that Alternatives 2, 3, and 4 are comparable in cost, and that Alternative 3A would cost only slightly less. Alternative 3 would cost more than Alternatives 2, and 4. The capital cost to implement Alternative 5 (On-Site Thermal Desorption) is approximately four to nine times the cost of the other alternatives. With current technology, the cost to rent and operate an HTTD system is such that HTTD becomes cost-effective for treating soil volumes in excess of 5,000 cubic yards. The volume of impacted soil and sediment at GE's Tonawanda facility is estimated to be only approximately 1,500 cubic yards.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION

URS recommends that Alternative 4, Surface and Subsurface Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal, be implemented at GE's Tonawanda service shop. URS bases this recommendation upon the comparison of the alternatives presented in Section 7.7.

Alternative 1 was not selected because it does not address the four exposure and migration pathways identified in the *CMS Task I Report*. Alternative 2 was discounted because, although it does address the four pathways, it would not prevent infiltration through the impacted fill material east of the building.

All four of the remaining alternatives involve the cleaning of the on-site storm sewer and the associated catch basins and manholes to prevent the off-site transport of impacted sediments. The four alternatives would also prevent contact with or off-site transport of impacted surface soils and sediments and limit the infiltration of precipitation through impacted subsurface materials. Alternatives 3 and 3A would meet these objectives by containing the impacted soils on-site, Alternative 4 would contain the soils off-site in a licensed landfill, and Alternative 5 would treat the soils on-site.

Alternative 5 has significantly greater operation and maintenance requirements than Alternatives 3, 3A, and 4. Mobilizing, operating, and demobilizing an HTTD system would extend the duration of the remedial process. The HTTD system would generate unpleasant odors and would significantly disrupt operations at the Tonawanda service shop. URS believes that the extent of contamination at GE's Tonawanda facility is not sufficient to justify the complexity of operating an on-site HTTD system.

Of the remaining three alternatives, Alternative 4 was selected over Alternatives 3 and 3A because it is a permanent remedy. With Alternative 4, the impacted surface soil, subsurface soil, sediments, and perched groundwater at the site will be removed, thus eliminating the need for deed restrictions. In addition, operation and maintenance will be much simpler with Alternative 4 because the only long-term requirement will be to monitor the groundwater quality for five years.

9.0 SCHEDULE

The corrective measure schedule will be established after the NYSDEC approves this *CMS Final Report*. URS expects that the implementation of the corrective measure will begin during the spring or summer following the NYSDEC's approval of this report.

Figure 15 shows the anticipated schedule for the Corrective Measure Implementation. This schedule is tentative and subject to change. The actual schedule for the Corrective Measure Implementation will depend on a number of factors, including the NYSDEC's responses. URS anticipates that, following the NYSDEC's approval of this *Revised CMS Final Report*, the NYSDEC will issue a modified *373 Permit* for GE's Tonawanda service shop that incorporates the selected corrective measures. GE will make the RFI results and information about the planned corrective measures available to the community during the public notice period for the modifications to the *373 Permit*.

The final corrective measure design process would be completed within approximately three months of the NYSDEC's issuance of the modified 373 Permit. URS anticipates that the construction of the corrective measures, including the excavation and off-site disposal of impacted soil and sediments, the cleaning and partial replacement of the sewers, and the restoration of the site, could be completed in approximately five months following the selection of a contractor. The groundwater quality monitoring program would continue for five years after the construction of the corrective measures has been completed.

TABLE 1

CLEANUP OBJECTIVES FOR COMPOUNDS DETECTED IN SOIL, SEDIMENT AND GROUNDWATER JULY 1998 THROUGH DECEMBER 1998

GE APPARATUS SERVICE CENTER TONAWANDA, NEW YORK

			Soil and Sediment	<u>+</u>				Groundwater		
					Number of					Number of
			Maximum		Samples			Maximum		Samples
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	Analyzed	Detections	(mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	Objective	Analyzed ¹	Detections	(μg/L)	(µg/L)	Objective
PCBs		Surface Soi	Soil and Sediment/Subsurface Soil	ibsurface Soil	,					
Aroclor 1248	49/48	0/1	ND/0.21	1/10	0/0	4	2	21	0.09	2
Aroclor 1254	49/48	18/11	240/6.3	1/10	12/0	7	2	42	60.0	2
Aroclor 1260	49/48	45/21	160/110	1/10	26/3	7	4	100	0.09	4
Total PCBs (Lab)	49/48	45/23	240/116.3	1/10	30/3	7	4	142	0.1	4
VOCs			Subsurface Soil							
Benzene	61	0	QN	90.0	0	7	2	11	-	2
Chlorobenzene	19	2	34	1.7		7	2	540	S	2
Chloroform	19	0	QN	0.3	0	7	3	1.9	7	0
1 2-Dichlorobenzene	19	-	0.0027	7.9	0	٢	-	3.5	3	-
1 3-Dichlorobenzene	61	3	6.7	1.6	1	7	4	50	\mathfrak{C}	4
1 4-Dichlorobenzene	19	4	1:1	8.5	0	7	4	48	3	4
1 1-Dichloroethane	19	_	0.0083	0.2	0	7	2	4.2	S	0
1,1-Dichloroethene	19	0	ND	0.4	0	7	2	6.4	S.	-
cis-1.2-Dichloroethene ⁴	61	0	QN	0.3	0	7		0.61	5	0
Ethylbenzene	19	0	ND	5.5	0	7	2	5.2	5	_
Methylene chloride	19	0	QN	0.1	0	7	1	0.56	2	0
Toluene	19	0	QN	1.5	0	1	1	1.2	S	0
1.1.1-Trichloroethane	19	0	QN	8.0	0	7		3.3	5	0
m- n-Xvlenes ⁵	61	2	0.0012	1.2	0	r_	2	25	5	2
o-Yylene ⁵	19	0	QN	1.2	0	7	3	ç	5	_
Total VOCe	101	9	34.78	10	-	7	5	626	SN	SN

Notes: 1. Laboratory analysis by EPA Methods 8082 (PCBs) and 8021 (VOCs)

^{2.} Recommended Soil Cleanup Objectives (RSCOs) from NYSDEC TAGM HWR-94-4046

^{3.} NYS Groundwater Standard (6 NYCRR Part 700), Division of Water TOGS, June 1998

^{4.} Soil standards for trans-1,2-DCE

^{5.} Standards for total xylenes

^{6.} NA = Not Analyzed; ND = Not Detected: NS = No Standard

SUPPLEMENTAL SEWER INVESTIGATION SUMMARY OF DETECTED COMPOUNDS

GE APPARATUS SERVICE CENTER TONAWANDA, NEW YORK

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Obenzene ND <	Toluene	ND	0.0032 J	0.0057 J	NS	ND	ND
Obenizene ND	1.2.3-Trichlorobenzene	QN	QN	QN	NS	ND	10
$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1.2,4-Trichlorobenzene	QN	QN	QN	NS	ND	1,300 E
ND ND 0.0027 J NS ND ND 0.0167 J 0.0218 J NS ND ND ND ND NS 14 ND 1.3 1.6 NS 6.7 NS 1.3 1.6 NS 20.7	m-, p-Xylenes	ND	0.0015 J	0.0014 J	NS	ND	QN
CS ND 0.0167 J 0.0218 J NS ND 1 ND ND ND 1.4 1.4 5 0.1 1.3 1.6 NS 6.7 Bs 0.1 1.3 1.6 NS 20.7	o-Xylene	QN	QN	0.0027 J	NS	ND	2.2 J
PCBs (mg/kg) ND ND ND 14 14 ND ND NS 6.7 6.7 3s 0.1 1.3 1.6 NS 5.7	Total VOCs	ND	0.0167 J	0.0218 J	NS	QN	9961
ND ND ND NS 14 0.1 1.3 1.6 NS 6.7 3s 0.1 1.3 1.6 NS 20.7				PCBs (mg/kg)			
3s 0.1 1.3 1.6 NS 6.7 8.7 8.7 8.7 8.7 8.7 8.7 8.7 8.7 8.7 8	PCB 1254	ND	QN	ND	NS	14	36,000
0.1 1.3 1.6 NS 20.7	PCB 1260	0.1	1.3	1.6	NS	6.7	5,300
	Total PCBs	0.1	1.3	1.6	NS	20.7	41,300

A "J" flag indicates an estimated value that is less than the method detection limit. Explanations:

An "E" flag indicates an estimated value that exceeds the calibration range of the analytical instrument. $ND = Not \ Detected$

NS = Not Sampled

No sample was collected from manhole STMH-1, which contained no sediment.

Note:

TABLE 3 SUMMARY OF ANALYTICAL RESULTS FOR POLYCHLORINATED BIPHENYLS

GE APPARATUS SERVICE CENTER TONAWANDA, NEW YORK

			Boring II	Boring ID / Depth (feet) Below Ground/ Date Collected	low Ground/ Date	ollected		
	FRI	E.B.1	EB2	EB2	EB3	EB3	EB4	EB4
Doromotor	, XX	10-12	8-9	10-12	8-9	10-12	8-9	10-12
ralameter	1/24/01	1/24/01	1/24/01	1/24/01	1/24/01	1/24/01	1/24/01	1/24/01
Aroclor 1016	05 0>	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50
Aroclor 1271	05.0>	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50
Aroclor 1227	05.0>	05.0>	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50
Arodor 1232	05.0>	05 0>	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50
Arocior 1242	<0.50	05.0>	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50
A10C101 1240	05:0>	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50
Aroclor 1254	05:0>	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50
Total PCB	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50
Total I of								

Notes:

- 1 All units are mg/kg.
- 2 A '<' indicates that the compound was not detected at a concentration equal to or greater than the practical quantification limit shown.
 - 3 Samples were analyzed for PCBs by Severn Trent Laboratories of Buffalo, New York using EPA Method 8082.
 - 4 The cleanup objective for subsurface soils is 10 mg/kg.

TABLE 3 SUMMARY OF ANALYTICAL RESULTS FOR POLYCHLORINATED BIPHENYLS

GE APPARATUS SERVICE CENTER TONAWANDA, NEW YORK

1	EBS	EBS-Dup	EBS	EB6	EB6	EB7	EB7
arameter	¥ 6-8	. 8-9	10-12	8-9	10-12	8-9	10-12
arameter	1/24/01	1/24/01	1/24/01	1/24/01	1/24/01	1/24/01	1/24/01
Aroclor 1016	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50
roclor 1221	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50
roclor 1221	05 0>	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50
1100101 1232	05.0>	05.0>	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50
AIUCIUI 1242	05.0	05.0>	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50
Arocior 1248	<0.50	05.0>	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50
Aroclor 1254	05.0>	05.0>	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	1.5	<0.50
Tiocioi 1200	05.0>	05.0>	<0.50	<0.50	<0.50	1.5	<0.50

Notes:

- 1 All units are mg/kg.
- 2 A '< indicates that the compound was not detected at a concentration equal to or greater than the practical quantification limit shown.
 - 3 Samples were analyzed for PCBs by Severn Trent Laboratories of Buffalo, New York using EPA Method 8082.
 - 4 The cleanup objective for subsurface soils is 10 mg/kg.

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TABLE 4 SUMMARY OF ANALYTICAL RESULTS OFF-SITE STORM SEWER INVESTIGATION

GE APPARATUS SERVICE CENTER TONAWANDA, NEW YORK

	MH-1 GFMH01	MH-2 GEMH02	MH-3 GEMH03	MH-4 GEMH04	MH-4 GEMH4 DUP	MH-5 GEMH05	MH-6 GEMH06	GEMHI1	MH-12 GEMH12
Parameter (mo/kg)	5/17/01	5/17/01	5/17/01	5/17/01	5/17/01	5/17/01	5/17/01	5/17/01	5/17/01
Aroclor 1016	<16	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
Aroclor 1221	<16	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
Aroclor 1737	>10	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
Aroclor 1242	<16	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
Aroclor 1248	<16	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
Aroclor 1250	140	1.8	2.7	0.58	09.0	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	0.72
Aroclor 1260	160	0.82	1.2	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	0.73
Total PCBs	300	2.62	3.9	0.58	09.0	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	1.45

Note: Analysis performed by Severn Trent Laboratories of Amherst, New York using EPA Method 8082.

TABLE 5

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CORRECTIVE MEASURE ALTERNATIVES

GE APPARATUS SERVICE CENTER TONAWANDA, NEW YORK

					Actions	ons		
Impacted Media	Focused CMS Areas	Exposure Pathways	Alternative 1	Alternative 2	Alternative 3	Alternative 3A	Alternative 4	Alternative 5
	Former rinse water tank	Direct exposure	Fences and signs Deed restrictions		Excavation, on-	Excavation, off-		Excavation and
Surface Soil	excavation Old oil/water separator area	Off-site transport	None	Excavation and off-site disposal	and off-site disposal, and	site disposal, fences, and	Excavation and off-site disposal	on-site HTTD
	Rail spur (on- and off-site)	Infiltration through impacted soil	None		asphalt caps	asphalt caps		
	Former rinse water tank excavation	Direct exposure	Fences and signs Deed restrictions	Deed restrictions	Asphalt caps	Asphalt caps	Excavation and	Excavation and on-site HTTD
Subsurface Soil	Sewers east of buildingOld oil/water separator area	Infiltration through impacted soil	None	None	Asphalt caps	Asphalt caps	off-site disposal	treatment
Perched Groundwater	 Former rinse water tank excavation Sewers east of building Old oil/water separator area 	Migration to water table or sewers	None	Sewer cleaning and partial lining	Sewer cleaning Sewer cleaning Sewer cleaning and partial lining and partial lining	Sewer cleaning and partial lining	Removal and off-site disposal	Removal and off-site disposal
Sewers	Sewers east of building	Off-site transport	None	Cleaning and partial lining	Cleaning and partial lining	Cleaning and partial lining	Cleaning and partial replacement	Cleaning and partial replacement
	Storm sewer east of building	Direct exposure	Fences and signs Deed restrictions	Removal and	Removal and	Removal and	Removal and	Removal and onsite HTTD
Sediments	 Truck bay trench and sump Rail bay trench Storm sewer along Milens Road 	Off-site transport	None	off-site disposarior sediments and storm sewer cleaning	of sediments and storm sewer cleaning	of sediments and of sediments and of sediments and storm sewer storm sewer cleaning cleaning	of sediments and storm sewer cleaning	treatment of sediments and storm sewer cleaning
			T					

TABLE 6

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 1

NO ACTION WITH ACCESS CONTROLS

Elements	Quantity	Unit	U	nit Cost		Cost	Source
CAPITAL COSTS							
Institutional Actions							
Fences and signs							
6-foot galvanized chain-link fence	375	LF	\$	20.62	\$	7,732.50	ECHOS
6-foot swing gate, 20-foot double	2	EA	\$	1,425.00	\$	2,850.00	MEANS
Hazardous waste signing	20	EA	\$	49.83	\$	996.60	ECHOS
Land use restrictions							
Deed recording fees	1	LS	\$	100.00	\$	100.00	Estimate
Coordination	40	HR	\$	50.00	\$	2,000.00	Estimate
Attorney fees	40	HR	\$	200.00	\$	8,000.00	Estimate
				Subtotal		\$21,700	
Install New Monitoring Wells							
Two wells to deep groundwater							
2-inch PVC casing	110	LF	\$	7.52	\$	827.20	ECHOS
2-inch PVC screen	20	LF	\$	10.73	\$	214.60	ECHOS
2-inch PVC plug	3	EA	\$	14.67	\$	44.01	ECHOS
Filter pack	20	LF	\$	8.15	\$	163.00	ECHOS
Grout	110	LF	\$	0.97	\$	106.70	ECHOS
Bentonite seal	3	EA	\$	29.75	\$	89.25	ECHOS
Drill 8" H.S.A.	130	LF	\$	17.86	\$	2,321.80	ECHOS
Cover	3	EA	\$	160.51	\$	481.53	ECHOS
				Subtotal		\$4,200	
		Capi	tal C	ost Subtotal		\$25,900	
Pro	ject Management and Engineeri	ng Desig	n	15%		\$3,900	
	Construction	Oversigh	t	10%		\$2,600	
		ellaneous		10%		\$2,600	
	Со	ntingency	7	20%		\$5,200	
		C	apita	l Cost Tota	l	\$40,000	

TABLE 6

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 1 NO ACTION WITH ACCESS CONTROLS

Elements	Quantity	Unit	t	Init Cost		Cost	Source
ANNUAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE							
Groundwater Monitoring							
5 monitoring wells annually			_		4.	100.00	•
Sampling Labor	8	MH	\$	50.00	\$	400.00	Estimate
Analysis	5	Wells	\$	250.00	\$	1.250.00	Vendor
Reporting	1	Report	\$	2,000.00	\$	2,000.00	Estimate
				Subtotal		\$3,700	
Maintenance							
Replace 10% of new fence each year							
Fence replacement/repair	1	Each	\$	1,058.25	\$	1,060.00	ECHOS
Replace Signs	2	Each	\$	49.83	\$	100.00	ECHOS
				Subtotal		\$1,200	
		Long Teri	m Oð	&M Subtotal		\$4,900	
	Project N	Managemen	t	15%		\$700	
	M	iscellaneou	S	10%		\$500	
	(Contingency	y	20%		\$1,000	
		Long T	[erm	O&M Total		\$7,000	
Present V	Worth Long Term (D&M, 30 Y	'ears,	5% Interes	t	\$108,000	
тота	AL PRESENT WO	RTH OF A	LTE	RNATIVE 1		\$150,000	

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Estimate - Engineering judgement

TABLE 7

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 2 SURFACE SOIL EXCAVATION AND OFF-SITE DISPOSAL

Elements	Quantity	Unit	U	nit Cost	Cost	Source
CAPITAL COSTS						
Institutional Actions						
Land use restrictions						
Deed recording fees	i	LS	\$	100.00 \$	100.00	Estimate
Coordination	4()	HR	\$	50.00 \$	2,000.00	Estimate
Attorney fees	40	HR	\$	200.00 \$	8,000.00	Estimate
				Subtotal	\$10,100	
Install New Monitoring Wells						
Two wells to deep groundwater						
2-inch PVC casing	110	LF	\$	7.52 \$	827.20	ECHOS
2-inch PVC screen	20	LF	\$	10.73 \$	214.60	ECHOS
2-inch PVC plug	3	EA	\$	14.67 \$	44.01	ECHOS
Filter pack	20	LF	\$	8.15 \$	163.00	ECHOS
Grout	110	LF	\$	0.97 \$	106.70	ECHOS
Bentonite seal	3	EA	\$	29.75 \$	89.25	ECHOS
Drill 8" H.S.A.	130	LF	\$	17.86 \$	2,321.80	ECHOS
Cover	3	EA	\$	160.51 \$	481.53	ECHOS
				Subtotal	\$4,200	
Sediment Removal						
Catchbasins, manholes, truck bay trench and sump						
Remove sediment	20	CY	\$	119.00 \$	2,380.00	Means
Dewater sediment	35	TON	\$	49.00 \$	1,715.00	ECHOS
				Subtotal	\$4,100	
Surface Soil Removal						
Soil pile excavation						namon
Excavation	5	HR	\$	100.78 \$	499.05	ECHOS
Backhoe mob/demob	1	EA	\$	430.00 \$	430.00	Means
Surface excavation and backfill				_		
Pavement removal	343	SY	\$	4.15 \$		Means
Surface soil excavation	29	HR	\$	100.78 \$,	ECHOS
Unclassified fill, delivered, off-site	878	CY	\$	4.77 \$		ECHOS
Spread/compact large areas, 6-inch lifts	878	CY EA	\$ \$	0.98 \$ 90.00 \$		ECHOS Vendor
Confirmatory samples from base of excavation	25	EA	Ф		•	v chao.
				Subtotal	\$12,600	
Sewers						
Cleaning - on- and off-site					10.500.00	17 1
Clean (jet rodder)	5	DAY	\$	3,700.00 \$		Vendor
Water treatment - mobilize/demobilize	1	EA	\$	4,500.00 \$		Vendor
Water treatment - operation	5	DAY	\$	1,000.00 \$		Vendor Vendor
Equipment decon	1	EA	\$	3,200.00 \$		vendor Vendor
Video inspect after cleaning	2	EA	\$	1,300.00 \$		V endor Means
Seal interior floor drain to storm sewer	1	EA	\$	160.00 \$	160.00	ivicalis
Lining		* **	•	20.00 4	2 200 00	Means
Line with flexible felt resin - 4 inch	110 100	LF LF	\$ \$	30.00 \$ 40.00 \$		Means
Line with flexible felt resin - 8 inch	100	Li	Ψ		,	
				Subtotal	\$41,300	

TABLE 7

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 2 SURFACE SOIL EXCAVATION AND OFF-SITE DISPOSAL

Elements	Quantity	Unit	τ	Jnit Cost		Cost	Source
Transportation and Disposal							
Asphalt							
Load	114	CY	\$	2.98	\$	340.71	ECHOS
Transport and dispose	200	TON	\$	30.00	\$	6,002.50	Vendor
Waste characterization sample	2	EΛ	\$	600.00	\$	1,200.00	Vendor
Soil and Sediment							
Roll-off spot fee plus 2 months rental	1	EA	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,200.00	Vendor
Load	1,047	CY	\$	2.98	\$	3,119.62	ECHOS
Transport and dispose < 50 mg/kg PCBs	1,746	TON	\$	30.00	\$	52,368.75	Vendor
Transport > 50 mg/kg PCBs	5	Load	\$	510.00	\$	2,550.00	Vendor
Dispose > 50 mg/kg PCBs	86	TON	\$	105.00	\$	9,068,40	Vendor
Waste characterization samples	20	EA	\$	600.00	\$	12,000.00	Vendor
				Subtotal	\$	87,800	
Site Restoration							
Topsoil, 4" deep, furnish & place	1,722	SY	\$	3.03		5,217.66	Means
Seed, utility mix, 7 lb/msf, tractor	15	MSF	\$	18.95	\$	293.69	Means
Asphalt pavement	913	SY	\$	33.50	\$	30,581.78	Means
				Subtotal		\$36,100	
		Capit	al C	ost Subtotal		\$196,200	
Project Ma	nagement and Enginee	ering Design	1	15%		\$29,400	
,	Constructio			10%		\$19,600	
	Mi	scellaneous		10%		\$19,600	
	C	Contingency		20%		\$39,200	
		Ca	apita	l Cost Total		\$304,000	
ANNUAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE							
Groundwater Monitoring							
5 monitoring wells annually	0			£50.00		\$400	Estimate
Sampling Labor	8	MH Wells		\$50.00 \$250.00		\$400 \$1.250	Vendor
Analysis Reporting	5 1	Report		\$2,000.00		\$2,000	Estimate
				Subtotal		\$3,700	
		Long Tern	n Oé	&M Subtotal		\$3,700	
	Draigat A	Management		15%		\$600	
		iscellaneous		10%		\$400	
		Contingency		20%		\$700	
		Long T	erm	O&M Total		\$5,000	
Present	t Worth Long Term C)&M, 30 Y	ears,	5% Interest	t	\$77,000	
TO	TAL PRESENT WO	RTH OF A	LTE	RNATIVE 2	!	\$380,000	

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TABLE 8

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 3 ASPHALT CAPS

Clements	Quantity	Unit	ι	nit Cost	Cost	Source
CAPITAL COSTS						
Institutional Actions						
Land use restrictions						
Deed recording fees	1	LS	\$	100.00 \$	100.00	Estimate
Coordination	40	HR	\$	50.00 \$	2,000.00	Estimate
Attorney fees	40	HR	\$	200.00 \$	8,000,00	Estimate
				Subtotal	\$10,100	
Install New Monitoring Wells						
Two wells to deep groundwater						
2-inch PVC casing	110	LF	\$	7.52 \$	827.20	ECHOS
2-inch PVC screen	20	LF	\$	10.73 \$	214.60	ECHOS
2-inch PVC plug	3	EΛ	\$	14.67 \$	44.01	ECHOS
Filter pack	20	LF	\$	8.15 \$	163.00	ECHOS
Grout	110	LF	\$	0.97 \$	106.70	ECHOS
Bentonite seal	3	EA	\$	29.75 \$	89.25	ECHOS
Drill 8" H.S.A.	130	LF	\$	17.86 \$	2,321.80	ECHOS
Cover	3	EA	\$	160.51 \$	481.53	ECHOS
				Subtotal	\$4,200	
Sediment Removal						
Catchbasins, manholes, truck bay trench and sump						
Remove sediment	20	CY	\$	119.00 \$	2,380.00	Means
Dewater sediment	35	TON	\$	49.00 \$	1,715.00	ECHOS
				Subtotal	\$4,100	
Surface Soil Removal						
Soil pile excavation						
Excavation	5	HR	\$	100.78 \$	499.05	ECHOS
Backhoe mob/demob	1	EA	\$	430.00 \$	430.00	Means
Surface excavation and backfill						501100
Surface soil excavation	4	HR	\$	100.78 \$	403.12	ECHOS
Unclassified fill, delivered, off-site	101	CY	\$	4.77 \$	483.36	ECHOS
Spread/compact large areas, 6-inch lifts	101	CY	\$	0.98 \$	99.31	ECHOS
Confirmatory samples from base of excavation	8	EA	\$	90.00 \$	720.00	Vendor
				Subtotal	\$2,600	
Sewers						
Cleaning - on- and off-site	_	D	•	2 700 00 *	10 500 00	M
Clean (jet rodder)	5	DAY	\$	3,700.00 \$	18,500.00	Vendor
Water treatment - mobilize/demobilize	1	EA	\$	4,500.00 \$	4,500.00	Vendor
Water treatment - operation	5	DAY	\$	1,000.00 \$	5,000.00	Vendor Vendor
Equipment decon	1	EA	\$	3,200.00 \$	3,200.00	Vendor Vendor
Video inspect after cleaning	2	EA	\$	1,300.00 \$ 160.00 \$		Means
Seal interior floor drain to storm sewer Lining	1	EA	\$	100.00 \$	160.00	ivicalis
Line with flexible felt resin - 4 inch	110	LF	\$	30.00 \$	3,300.00	Means
Line with flexible felt resin - 8 inch	100	LF	\$	40.00 \$		Means
				Subtotal	\$41,300	

TABLE 8

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 3 ASPHALT CAPS

lements	Quan	tity Un	it	U	nit Cost	Cost	Source
Transportation and Disposal						, ,	
Soil and Sediment							
Roll-off spot fee plus 1 month ren	al I	EA	١.	\$	800.00	\$ 800.00	Vendor
Load	240) C	Y	\$	2.98	\$ 714.76	ECHOS
Transport and dispose < 50 mg/kg	PCBs 319) TO	N	\$	30.00	\$ 9,567.64	Vendor
Transport > 50 mg/kg PCBs	3	Lo	ad	\$	510.00	\$ 1,530.00	Vendo
Dispose > 50 mg/kg PCBs	47	TO	N	\$	105.00	\$ 4,971.46	Vendo
Waste characterization samples	4	Ez	١	\$	600.00	\$ 2,400.00	Vendo
					Subtotal	\$ 20,000	
Asphalt Cap							
Cap Construction							
Base course, 3/4" stone, 3"	297	1 S	Ý	\$	4.41	\$ 13,101.13	Means
Binder course, 3" thick	297	1 S	Ý	\$	5.15	\$ 15,299.51	Means
Top course, 3" thick	297	1 5	Ý	\$	5.30	\$ 15,745.12	Means
					Subtotal	\$44,100	
Site Restoration							
Topsoil, 4" deep, furnish & place	269	9 S'	Y	\$	3.03	\$ 815.07	Means
Seed, utility mix, push spreader	2.4	MS MS	SF	\$	43.50	\$ 105.31	Means
Asphalt pavement	35	S	Y	\$	33.50	\$ 1,172.50	Means
					Subtotal	\$2,100	
			Capita	al Co	st Subtotal	\$128,500	
	Project Management and Er	ngineering D	esign		15%	\$19,300	
	,	ruction Ove	_		10%	\$12,900	
		Miscella	_		10%	\$12,900	
		Conting	gency		20%	\$25,700	
			Ca	pital	Cost Total	\$199,000	

TABLE 8

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 3 ASPHALT CAPS

Elements	Quantity	Unit	Unit Cost	Cost	Source
ANNUAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE					
Groundwater Monitoring					
5 monitoring wells annually					
Sampling Labor	8	MH	\$50.00	\$400	Estimate
Analysis	5	Wells	\$250.00	\$1,250	Vendor
Reporting	1	Report	\$2,000.00	\$2,000	Estimate
			Subtotal	\$3,700	
Cap Inspection and Maintenance					
Annual inspection					
Labor	16	MH	\$50.00	\$800	Estimate
Repair or replace 20% annually					
Hot patch, 6" thick	5,347	SF	\$1.36	\$7,270	Means
			Subtotal	\$8,100	
		Long Term	O&M Subtotal	\$11,800	
	Project I	Management	15%	\$1,800	
	M	iscellaneous	10%	\$1,200	
	•	Contingency	20%	\$2,400	
		Long Ter	m O&M Total	\$17,000	
Present	Worth Long Term ()&M, 30 Yea	rs, 5% Interest	\$261,000	
тот	AL PRESENT WO	RTH OF ALT	TERNATIVE 3	\$460,000	

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Estimate - Engineering judgement

TABLE 9

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 3A ASPHALT CAP OVER SUBSURFACE SOIL

Elements	Quantity	Unit	U	nit Cost		Cost	Source
CAPITAL COSTS							
Institutional Actions							
Fences and signs							
6-foot galvanized chain-link fence	375	LF	\$		\$	7,732.50	ECHOS
6-foot swing gate, 20-foot double	2	EA	\$	1,425.00	\$	2,850.00	MEANS
Land use restrictions							
Deed recording fees	l	LS	\$		\$	100.00	Estimate
Coordination	40	HR	\$		\$	2,000.00	Estimate
Attorney fees	40	HR	\$	200.00	\$	8,000.00	Estimate
				Subtotal		\$20,700	
Install New Monitoring Wells							
Two wells to deep groundwater							
2-inch PVC casing	110	LF	\$	7.52	\$	827.20	ECHOS
2-inch PVC screen	20	LF	\$		\$	214.60	ECHOS
2-inch PVC plug	3	EA	\$	14.67	\$	44.01	ECHOS
Filter pack	20	LF	\$	8.15	\$	163.00	ECHOS
Grout	110	LF	\$	0.97	\$	106.70	ECHOS
Bentonite seal	3	EA	\$	29.75	\$	89.25	ECHOS
Drill 8" H.S.A.	130	LF	\$		\$	2,321.80	ECHOS
Cover	3	EA	\$	160.51	\$	481.53	ECHOS
				Subtotal		\$4,200	
Sediment Removal							
Catchbasins, manholes, truck bay trench and sump						- +00 00	
Remove sediment	20	CY	\$		\$	2,380.00	Means
Dewater sediment	35	TON	\$	49.00	\$	1,715.00	ECHOS
				Subtotal		\$4,100	
Surface Soil Removal							
Soil pile excavation			_		•	400.05	FOUCE
Excavation	5	HR	\$	100.78	\$	499.05	ECHOS
Backhoe mob/demob	1	EA	\$	430.00	\$	430.00	Means
Surface excavation and backfill		***	•	100.70	•	402.12	ECHOC
Surface soil excavation	4	HR	\$	100.78	\$	403.12	ECHOS
Unclassified fill, delivered, off-site	94	CY	\$	4.77	\$	446.44 91.72	ECHOS ECHOS
Spread/compact large areas, 6-inch lifts	94	CY	\$	0.98	\$		Vendor
Confirmatory samples from base of excavation	5	EA	\$	90.00	\$	450.00	vendor
				Subtotal		\$2,300	

TABLE 9

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 3A ASPHALT CAP OVER SUBSURFACE SOIL

lements	Quantity	Unit		Init Cost	Cost	Source
Sewers					***************************************	
Cleaning - on- and off-site						
Clean (jet rodder)	5	DAY	\$	3,700.00	\$ 18,500.00	Vendor
Water treatment - mobilize/demobilize	1	EA	\$	4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	Vendor
Water treatment - operation	5	DAY	\$	1,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	Vendor
Equipment decon	1	EA	\$	3,200.00	\$ 3,200.00	Vendor
Video inspect after cleaning	2	EA	\$	1,300.00	\$ 2,600.00	Vendor
Seal interior floor drain to storm sewer	1	EΛ	\$	160.00	\$ 160.00	Means
Lining						
Line with flexible felt resin - 4 inch	110	LF	\$	30.00	\$ 3,300.00	Means
Line with flexible felt resin - 8 inch	100	LF	\$	40.00	\$ 4,000.00	Means
				Subtotal	\$41,300	
Transportation and Disposal						
Soil and Sediment						
Roll-off spot fee plus 1 month rental	1	EA	\$	800.00	\$ 800.00	Vendor
Load	262	CY	\$	2.98	\$ 781.20	ECHOS
Transport and dispose < 50 mg/kg PCBs	372	TON	\$	30.00	\$ 11,171.81	Vendor
Transport > 50 mg/kg PCBs	5	Load	\$	510.00	\$ 2,550.00	Vendor
Dispose > 50 mg/kg PCBs	86	TON	\$	105.00	\$ 9,068.40	Vendor
Waste characterization samples	5	EA	\$	600.00	\$ 3,000.00	Vendor
				Subtotal	\$ 27,400	
Asphalt Cap						
Cap Construction						
Base course, 3/4" stone, 3"	343	SY	\$	4.41	\$ 1,512.63	Means
Binder course, 3" thick	343	SY	\$		\$ 1,766.45	Means
Top course, 3" thick	343	SY	\$	5.30	\$ 1,817.90	Means
				Subtotal	\$5,100	
Site Restoration						
Topsoil, 4" deep, furnish & place	261	SY	\$	3.03	\$ 792.18	Means
Seed, utility mix, push spreader	2.4	MSF	\$	43.50	\$ 102.36	Means
Asphalt pavement	33	SY	\$	33.50	\$ 1,120.39	Means
				Subtotal	\$2,000	
		Cap	ital C	ost Subtotal	\$107,100	
Project Manas	gement and Engine	ering Desig	gn	15%	\$16,100	
	Construction			10%	\$10,700	
		iscellaneou		10%	\$10,700	
	(Contingenc	у	20%	\$21,400	
		(Canita	ıl Cost Total	\$166,000	

TABLE 9

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 3A ASPHALT CAP OVER SUBSURFACE SOIL

Elements	Quantit	y Unit	Unit Cost	Cost	Source
ANNUAL OPERATION AND MAINTEN	ANCE			,,,,,,	
Groundwater Monitoring					
5 monitoring wells annually					
Sampling Labor	8	MH	\$50.00	\$400	Estimate
Analysis	5	Wells	\$250.00	\$1,250	Vendor
Reporting	1	Report	\$2,000.00	\$2,000	Estimate
			Subtotal	\$3,700	
Fence Maintenance					
Replace 10% of new fence each year					
Fence replacement/repair	1	Each	\$ 1,058.25 \$	1,060.00	ECHOS
Replace Signs	2	Each	\$ 49.83 \$	100.00	ECHOS
			Subtotal	\$1,200	
Cap Inspection and Maintenance					
Annual inspection					
Labor	12	MH	\$50.00	\$600	Estimate
Repair or replace 20% annually					
Hot patch, 6" thick	617	SF	\$1.36	\$840	Means
			Subtotal	\$1,400	
		Long Terr	m O&M Subtotal	\$6,300	
	Proie	ct Managemen	t 15%	\$900	
	3	Miscellaneous		\$600	
		Contingency	y 20%	\$1,300	
		Long T	Term O&M Total	\$9,000	
	Present Worth Long Ter	m O&M, 30 Y	ears, 5% Interest	\$138,000	
	TOTAL PRESENT WO	ORTH OF AL	TERNATIVE 3A	\$300,000	

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Vendor - Vendor quote

Estimate - Engineering judgement

TABLE 10

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 4

SURFACE AND SUBSURFACE SOIL EXCAVATION AND OFF-SITE DISPOSAL

Elements	Quantity	Unit	ι	nit Cost	Cost	Source
CAPITAL COSTS						
Install New Monitoring Wells						
Two wells to deep groundwater						
2-inch PVC casing	110	LF	\$	7.52	\$ 827.20	ECHOS
2-inch PVC screen	20	LF	\$	10.73	\$ 214.60	ECHOS
2-inch PVC plug	3	EA	\$	14.67	\$ 44.01	ECHOS
Filter pack	20	1.F	\$	8.15	\$ 163.00	ECHOS
Grout	110	LF	\$	0.97	\$ 106.70	ECHOS
Bentonite seal	3	EA	\$	29.75	\$ 89.25	ECHOS
Drill 8" H.S.A.	130	LF	\$	17.86	\$ 2,321.80	ECHOS
Cover	3	EA	\$	160.51	\$ 481.53	ECHOS
				Subtotal	\$4,200	
Sediment Removal						
Catchbasins, manholes, truck bay trench and sump						
Remove sediment	20	CY	\$	119.00	\$ 2,380.00	Means
Dewater sediment	35	TON	\$	49.00	\$ 1,715.00	ECHOS
				Subtotal	\$4,100	
Surface Soil Removal						
Soil pile excavation						
Excavation	5	HR	\$	100.78	\$ 499.05	ECHOS
Backhoe mob/demob	1	EA	\$	430.00	\$ 430.00	Means
Surface excavation and backfill						
Pavement removal	369	SY	\$	4.15	\$ 1,531.35	Means
Surface soil excavation	29	HR	\$		\$ 2,950.49	ECHOS
Unclassified fill, delivered, off-site	878	CY	\$	4.77	\$ 4,189.47	ECHOS
Spread/compact large areas, 6-inch lifts	878	CY	\$		\$ 860.73	ECHOS
Confirmatory samples from base of excavation	22	EA	\$	90.00	\$ 1,980.00	Vendor
				Subtotal	\$12,400	
Subsurface Soil Removal						
Excavation and backfill						
Excavation	15	HR	\$		\$ 1,468.03	ECHOS
Dewater soil	171	TON	\$		\$ 8,384.44	ECHOS
Unclassified fill, delivered, off-site	437	CY	\$		\$ 2,084.49	ECHOS
Spread/compact large areas, 6-inch lifts	437	CY	\$		\$ 428.26	ECHOS
Confirmatory samples (base and east sidewalls)	6	EA	\$	175.00	\$ 1,050.00	Vendor
				Subtotal	\$13,400	

TABLE 10

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 4

SURFACE AND SUBSURFACE SOIL EXCAVATION AND OFF-SITE DISPOSAL

Elements	Quantity	Unit	τ	Init Cost		Cost	Source
Sewers						**	,
Cleaning - on- and off-site							
Clean (jet rodder)	5	DAY	\$	3,700.00	\$	18,500.00	Vendor
Water treatment - mobilize/demobilize	l	EΛ	\$	4,500.00	\$	4,500.00	Vendor
Water treatment - operation	5	DAY	\$	1,000.00	\$	5,000.00	Vendor
Equipment decon	1	EA	\$	3,200.00	\$	3,200.00	Vendor
Video inspect after cleaning	2	EA	\$	1,300.00	\$	2,600.00	Vendor
Seal interior floor drain to storm sewer	1	EA	\$	160.00	\$	160.00	Means
Replace Sewers							
4-inch PVC pipe sanitary	80	LF	\$	6.49	\$	519.20	ECHOS
8-inch corrugated metal storm	80	LF	\$	7.16	\$	572.80	ECHOS
3-9 lb magnesium anodes, cathodic protection point	1	EA	\$	580.22	\$	580.22	ECHOS
Dispose removed pipe	0.25	TON	\$	156.67	\$	39.17	ECHOS
				Subtotal		\$35,700	
Transportation and Disposal							
Asphalt							
Load	123	CY	\$	2.98	\$	366.54	ECHOS
Transport and dispose	215	TON	\$	30.00	\$	6,457.50	Vendor
Waste characterization sample	3	EA	\$	600.00	\$	1,800.00	Vendor
Soil and Sediment							
Roll-off spot fee plus 2 months rental	2	EA	\$	1,200.00	\$	2,400.00	Vendor
Load	1,464	CY	\$	2.98	\$	4,362.28	ECHOS
Transport and dispose < 50 mg/kg PCBs	2,362	TON	\$	30.00	\$	70,848.75	Vendor
Transport > 50 mg/kg PCBs	14	Load	\$	510.00	\$	7,140.00	Vendor
Dispose > 50 mg/kg PCBs	235	TON	\$	105.00	\$	24,687.15	Vendor
Waste characterization samples	27	EA	\$	600.00	\$	16,200.00	Vendor
Liquids							
Treat	2	DAY	\$	1,000.00	\$	2,000.00	Vendor
				Subtotal	\$	136,300	
Site Restoration			•	2.02	4.	5.217.77	
Topsoil, 4" deep, furnish & place	1,722	SY	\$	3.03	\$	5,217.66	Means
Seed, utility mix, 7 lb/msf, tractor	15	MSF	\$	18.95	\$	293.69	Means
Asphalt pavement	913	SY	\$	33.50	\$	30,581.78	Means
				Subtotal		\$36,100	
		Сар	ital C	Cost Subtotal		\$242,200	
Project Managem				15%		\$36,300	
	Construction	_		10%		\$24,200	
		iscellaneou		10%		\$24,200	
	(Contingenc	у	20%		\$48,400	
		(Capita	al Cost Total		\$375,000	

TABLE 10

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 4

SURFACE AND SUBSURFACE SOIL EXCAVATION AND OFF-SITE DISPOSAL

Quantity	Unit	Unit Cost	Cost	Source
8	MH	\$50.00	\$400	Estimate
3	Wells	\$250.00	\$750	Vendor
1	Report	\$2,000.00	\$2.000	Estimate
		Subtotal	\$3,200	
	Short Term	O&M Subtotal	\$3,200	
Project N	//anagement	15%	\$500	
Mi	scellaneous	10%	\$300	
(Contingency	20%	\$600	
	Short Ter	m O&M Total	\$5,000	
orth Short Term	O&M, 5 Yea	rs, 5% Interest	\$22,000	
. PRESENT WOF	RTH OF ALT	TERNATIVE 4	\$400,000	
	8 3 1 Project M Mi C	8 MH 3 Wells 1 Report Short Term Project Management Miscellaneous Contingency Short Ter Orth Short Term O&M, 5 Yea	8 MH \$50.00 3 Wells \$250.00 1 Report \$2,000.00 Subtotal Short Term O&M Subtotal Project Management 15% Miscellaneous 10%	8 MH \$50.00 \$400 3 Wells \$250.00 \$750 1 Report \$2,000.00 \$2.000 Subtotal \$3,200 Short Term O&M Subtotal \$3,200 Project Management 15% \$500 Miscellaneous 10% \$300 Contingency 20% \$600 Short Term O&M Total \$5,000 Short Term O&M Total \$5,000

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Vendor - Vendor quote

Estimate - Engineering judgement

TABLE 11

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 5 ON-SITE THERMAL DESORPTION

Elements	Quantity	Unit	ŧ	Init Cost	Cost	Source
CAPITAL COSTS						
Install New Monitoring Wells						
Two wells to deep groundwater						
2-inch PVC casing	110	LF	\$	7.52	827.20	ECHOS
2-inch PVC screen	20	LF	\$	10.73	3 214.60	ECHOS
2-inch PVC plug	3	EA	\$	14.67	44.01	ECHOS
Filter pack	20	LF	\$	8.15	163.00	ECHOS
Grout	110	LF	\$	0.97		ECHOS
Bentonite seal	3	EA	\$	29.75	89.25	ECHOS
Drill 8" H.S.A.	130	LF	\$	17.86	2,321.80	ECHOS
Cover	3	EA	\$	160.51 \$	481.53	ECHOS
				Subtotal	\$4,200	
Sediment Removal						
Catchbasins, manholes, truck bay trench and sump						
Remove sediment	20	CY	\$	119.00	2,380.00	Means
Dewater sediment	35	TON	\$	49.00	5 1,715.00	ECHOS
				Subtotal	\$4,100	
Surface Soil Removal						
Soil pile excavation						
Excavation	5	HR	\$	100.78	499.05	ECHOS
Backhoe mob/demob	1	EA	\$	430.00	430.00	Means
Surface excavation and backfill						
Pavement removal	369	SY	\$	4.15	1,531.35	Means
Surface soil excavation	29	HR	\$	100.78	2,950.49	ECHOS
Unclassified fill, delivered, off-site	0	CY	\$	4.77	-	ECHOS
Spread/compact large areas, 6-inch lifts	878	CY	\$	0.98	860.73	ECHOS
Confirmatory samples from base of excavation	22	EA	\$	90.00	1,980.00	Vendor
				Subtotal	\$8,300	
Subsurface Soil Removal						
Excavation and backfill						
Excavation	15	HR	\$	100.78	1,468.03	ECHOS
Dewater soil	171	TON	\$	49.00	8,384.44	ECHOS
Unclassified fill, delivered, off-site	437	CY	\$	4.77	2,084.49	ECHOS
Spread/compact large areas, 6-inch lifts	437	CY	\$	0.98	428.26	ECHOS
Confirmatory samples (base and east sidewalls)	6	EA	\$	175.00	1,050.00	Vendor
				Subtotal	\$13,400	

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PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 5 ON-SITE THERMAL DESORPTION

ements	Quantity	Unit		Unit Cost		Cost	Source
Sewers				* ***			
Cleaning - on- and off-site							
Clean (jet rodder)	5	DAY	\$	3,700.00	\$	18.500.00	Vendor
Water treatment - mobilize/demobilize	1	EA	\$	4,500.00	\$	4,500.00	Vendor
Water treatment - operation	5	DAY	\$	00.000,1	\$	5,000.00	Vendor
Equipment decon	1	EA	\$	3,200.00	\$	3,200.00	Vendor
Video inspect after cleaning	2	EA	\$	1,300.00	\$	2,600.00	Vendor
Seal interior floor drain to storm sewer	Ĭ	EA	\$	160.00	\$	160.00	Means
Replace Sewers							
4-inch PVC pipe sanitary	80	LF	\$	6.49	\$	519.20	ECHOS
8-inch corrugated metal storm	80	LF	\$	7.16	\$	572.80	ECHOS
3-9 lb magnesium anodes, cathodic protection point	1	EA	\$	580.22	\$	580.22	ECHOS
Dispose removed pipe	0.25	TON	\$	156.67	\$	39.17	ECHOS
				Subtotal		\$35,700	
Fransportation and Disposal							
Asphalt			•	2.00	•	2// 54	uono.
Load	123	CY	\$	2.98	\$	366.54	ECHO!
Transport and dispose	215	TON	\$	30.00	\$	6,457.50	Vendo
Waste characterization sample	3	EA	\$	600.00	\$	1,800.00	Vendo
Liquids			•		Φ.	2 000 00	** 1
Treat	2	DAY	\$	1,000.00	\$	2,000.00	Vendo
				Subtotal	\$	10,600	
Thermal Desorption							
916, 1.5 CY wheel loader	260	HR	\$	100.78	\$	26,169.95	ECHO:
Permitting/engineering for site	1	EA	\$	37,131.00	\$	37,131.00	ECHO!
Indirect firing, rental/operations	2,597	TON	\$	94.23	\$	244,690.88	ECHO:
Minimum mob/demob charge for sm portable unit	1	EA	\$	5,304.00	\$	5,304.00	ECHO:
Fixed Costs	1	EA	\$	102,500.00	\$	102,500.00	ECHO:
Service Contract	2,597	TON	\$	153.75	\$	399,248.89	ЕСНО
				Subtotal		\$815,000	
Site Restoration						5.015.cc	
Topsoil, 4" deep, furnish & place	1,722	SY	\$	3.03	\$	5,217.66	Means
Seed, utility mix, 7 lb/msf, tractor	15	MSF	\$	18.95		293.69	Means
Asphalt pavement	913	SY	\$	33.50	Э	30,581.78	Means
				Subtotal		\$36,100	
		Capi	tal (Cost Subtotal		\$927,400	
Project Manageme				15%		\$139,100	
		on Oversight		10%		\$92,700	
		iscellaneous		10%		\$92,700	
	(Contingency	′	20%		\$185,500	
		•	• 4	al Cost Total		\$1,437,000	

TABLE 11

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE ALTERNATIVE 5 ON-SITE THERMAL DESORPTION

Quantity	Unit	Unit Cost	Cost	Source
8	MH	\$50.00	\$400	Estimate
3	Wells	\$250.00	\$750	Vendor
1	Report	\$2,000.00	\$2,000	Estimate
		Subtotal	\$3,200	
	Short Term	O&M Subtotal	\$3,200	
Project N	Aanagement	15%	\$500	
М	iscellaneous	10%	\$300	
(Contingency	20%	\$600	
	Short Tei	rm O&M Total	\$5,000	
orth Short Term	O&M, 5 Yea	rs, 5% Interest	\$22,000	
. PRESENT WO	RTH OF ALT	TERNATIVE 5	\$1,460,000	
	8 3 1 Project M M	8 M11 3 Wells 1 Report Short Term Project Management Miscellaneous Contingency Short Ter Torth Short Term O&M, 5 Year	8 MH \$50.00 3 Wells \$250.00 1 Report \$2.000.00 Subtotal Short Term O&M Subtotal Project Management 15% Miscellaneous 10%	8 M11 \$50.00 \$400 3 Wells \$250.00 \$750 1 Report \$2.000.00 \$2.000 Subtotal \$3,200 Short Term O&M Subtotal \$3,200 Project Management 15% \$500 Miscellaneous 10% \$300 Contingency 20% \$600 Short Term O&M Total \$5,000 Short Term O&M Total \$5,000

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TABLE 12

SUMMARY OF ESTIMATED COSTS FOR CORRECTIVE MEASURE ALTERNATIVES

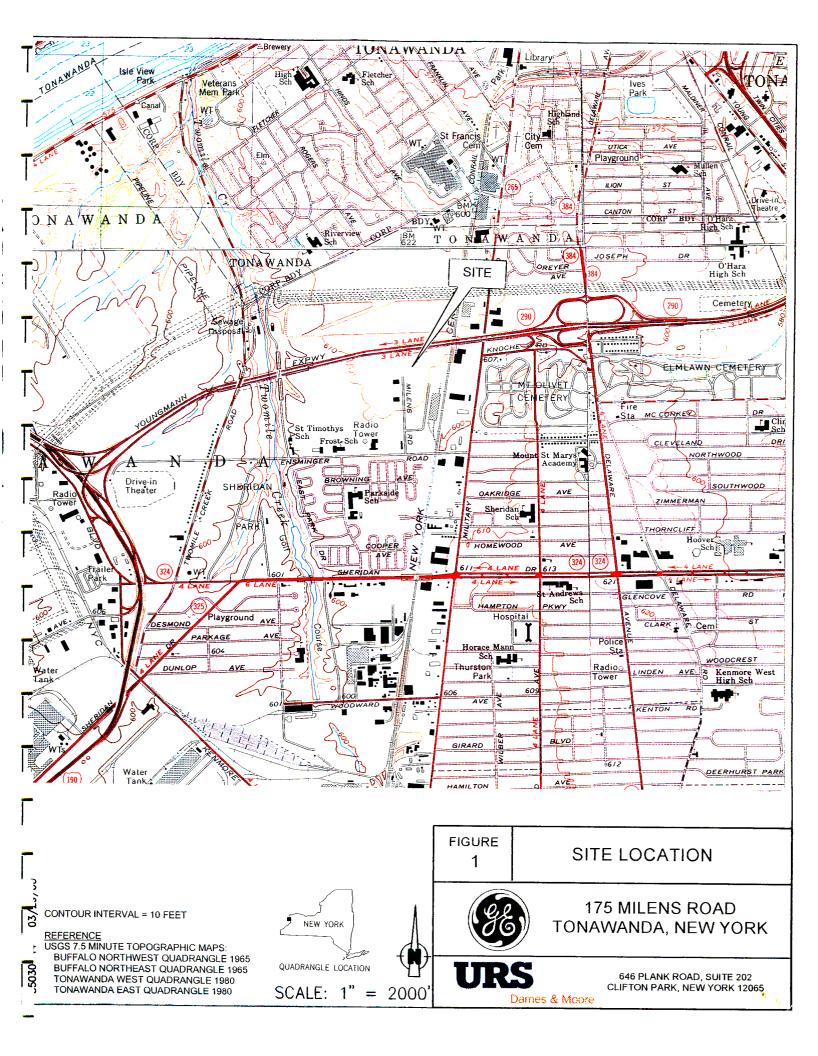
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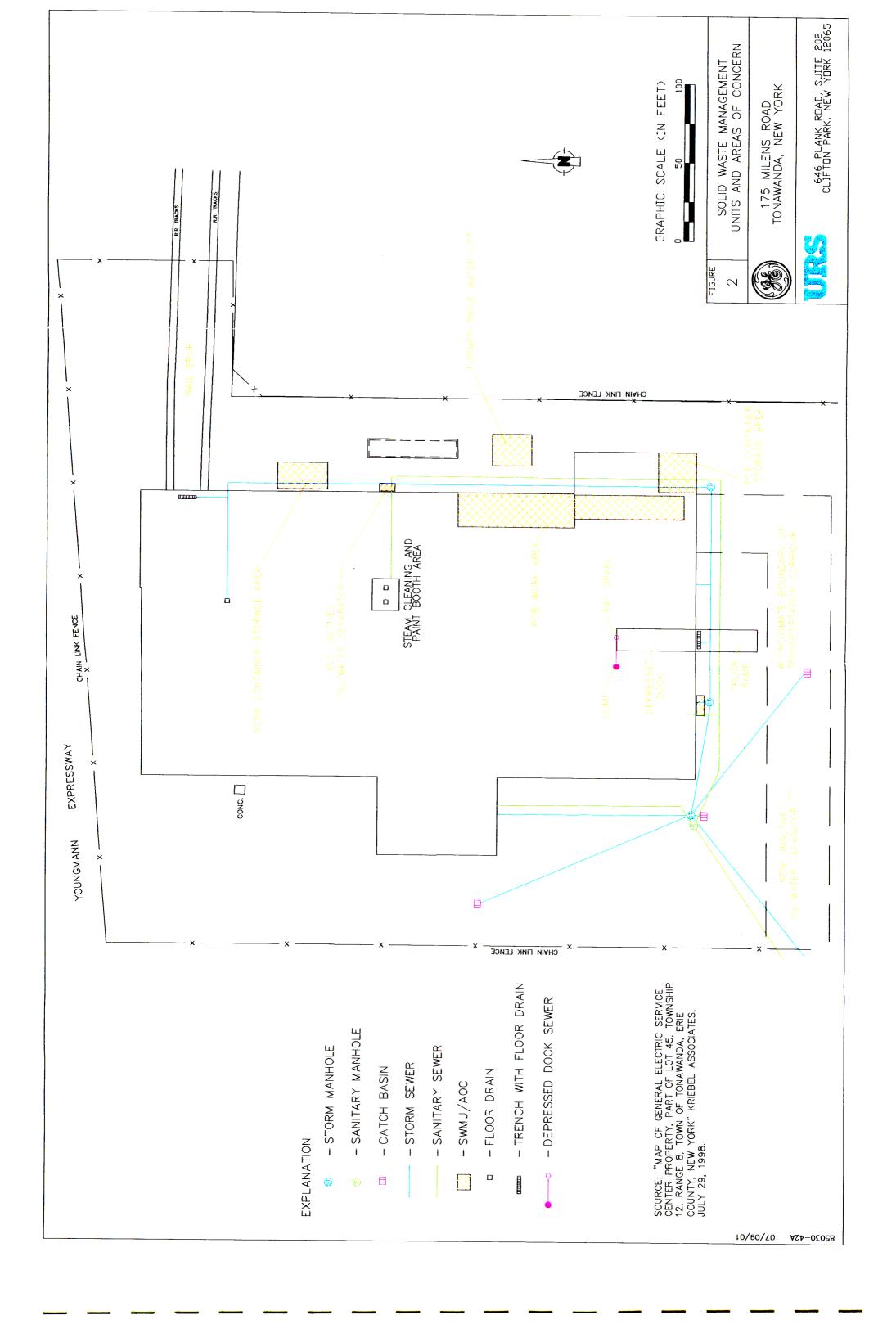
	ALTERNATIVE DESCRIPTION	CAPITAL	ANNUAL O&M COSTS	PRESENT WORTH OF 5 YEARS OF SHORT TERM O&M COSTS	PRESENT WORTH OF 30 YEARS OF LONG TERM O&M COSTS	TOTAL PRESENT WORTH
el .	No Action with Access Controls	\$40,000	\$7,000	1	\$108,000	\$150,000
1	Surface Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal	\$304,000	\$5,000		\$77,000	\$380,000
1	Asphalt Caps	\$199,000	\$17,000		\$261,000	\$460,000
3A.	Asphalt Cap over Subsurface Soil	\$166,000	\$9,000		\$138,000	\$300,000
I	Surface and Subsurface Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal	\$375,000	\$5,000	\$22,000	1 1	\$400,000
ı	On-Site Thermal Desorption	\$1,437,000	\$5,000	\$22,000		\$1,460,000

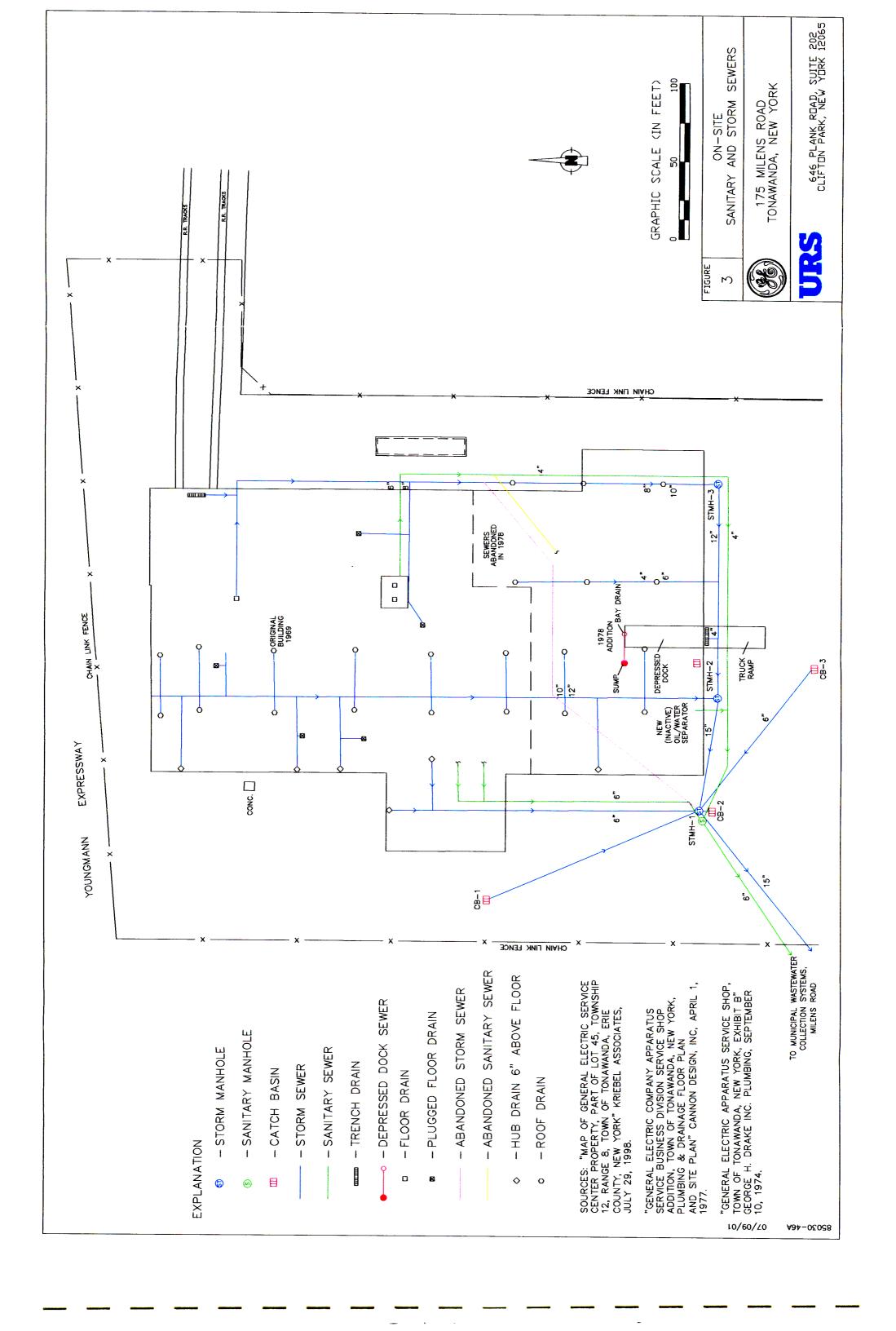
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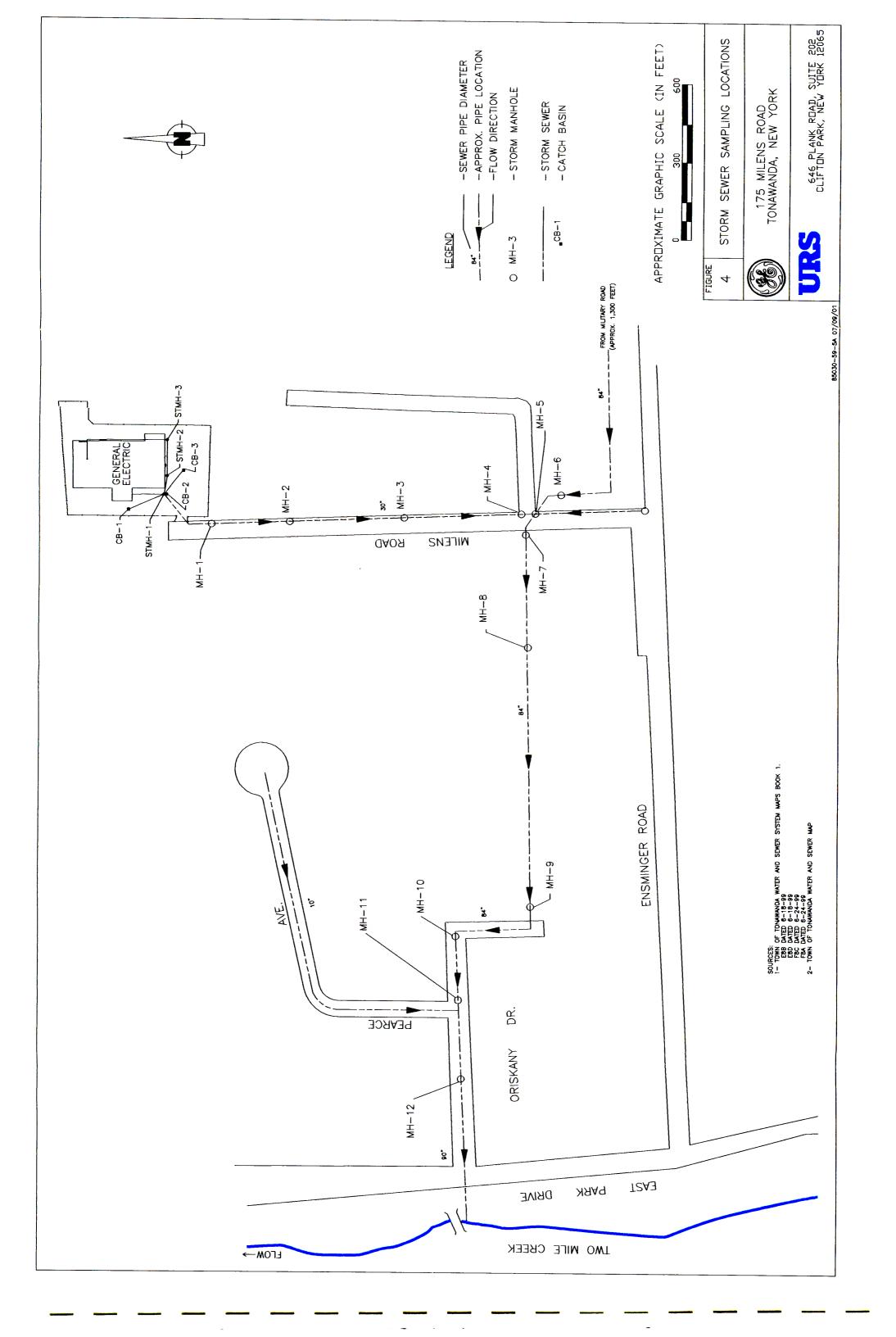
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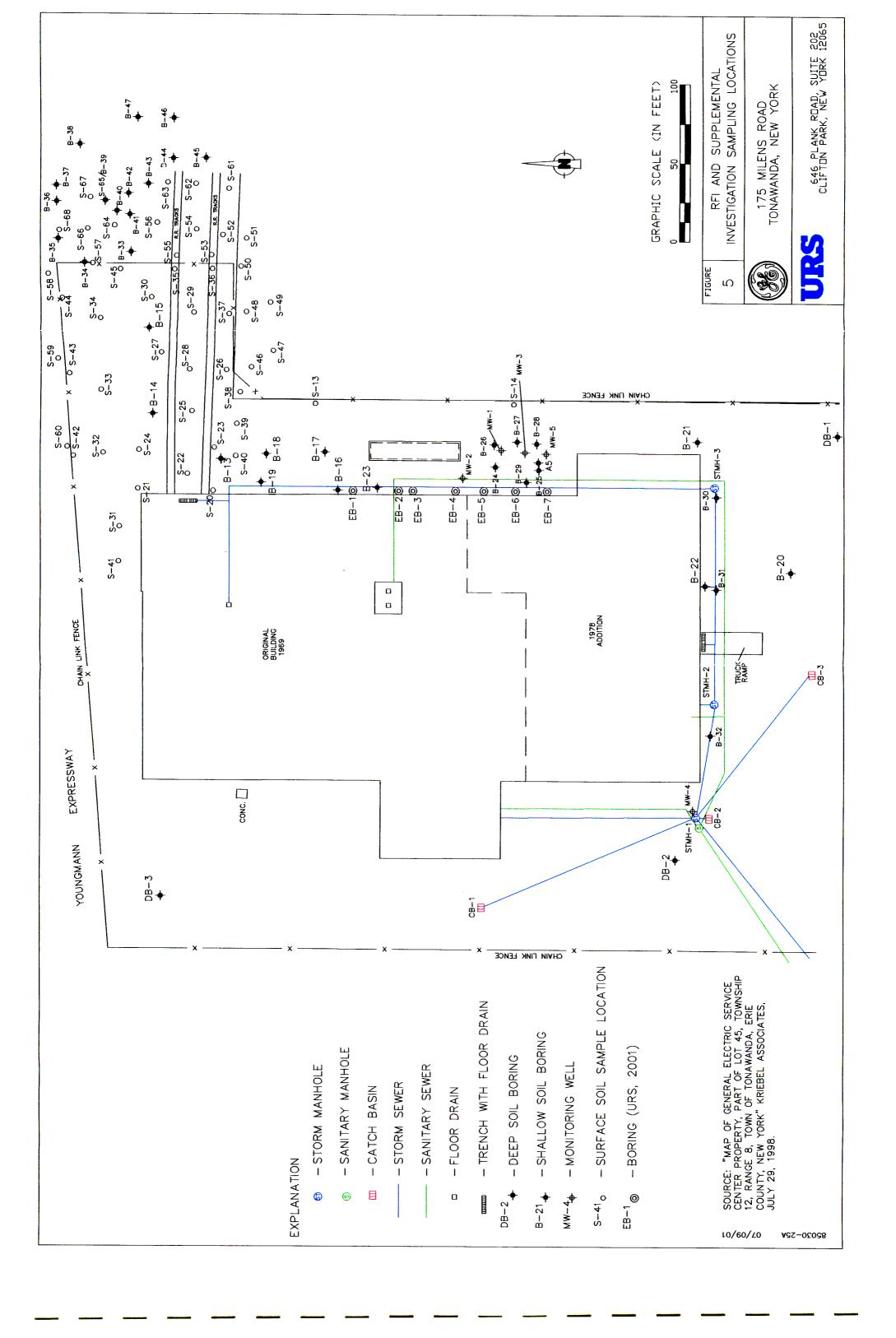
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Description	Performance	Reliability	Implementability	Safety	EUVII OIIIIVAA		
ccess	Does not address PCB- or VOC-impacted soil, sediment, or perched groundwater.	Does not apply.	 Not difficult. Estimated time to construct: 6 weeks Monitor five wells for 30 years. 	No direct risk from implementation.	• Does not address four exposure pathways.	Significant risk of direct contact remains.	 Does not comply with TSCA or NYSDEC RSCOs for soil. Public reaction is anticipated to be unfavorable.
Alternative 2 Surface Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal	Addresses impacted surface soil, sewers, and sediments.	Technologies have proven reliable at similar sites.	cult. d time to : 5 months. five wells for	• Low risk from implementation.	 Eliminates risk of direct contact. Reduces risk of off-site migration and infiltration through impacted soil. Does not address potential migration of perched groundwater. Impacted materials are properly disposed in an off-site landfill. 	Eliminates risk of direct contact. Remaining perched groundwater is unlikely to impact a drinking water source.	 Complies with TSCA and NYSDEC RSCOs for surface soil and sediments. Public reaction is anticipated to be favorable, with reservations about impacted media left in place.
Alternative 3 Asphalt Caps	Addresses impacted surface and subsurface soil, sewers, and sediments.	Technologies have proven reliable at similar sites. Cap reliability depends on regular maintenance.	 Not difficult. Estimated time to construct: 5 months. Monitor five wells for 30 years. 	• Low risk from implementation.	 Eliminates risk of direct contact. Reduces risk of off-site migration and infiltration through impacted soil. Reduces potential migration of perched groundwater by reducing infiltration. Impacted materials are properly disposed in an off-site landfill or capped on-site. 	Eliminates risk of direct contact. Remaining perched groundwater is unlikely to impact a drinking water source.	Complies with TSCA and NYSDEC RSCOs for surface soil, subsurface soil, and sediments. Public reaction is anticipated to be favorable, with reservations about impacted media left in place.
Alternative 3A Asphalt Cap Over Subsurface Soil and Fence Enclosure of Surface Soil	Addresses impacted surface and subsurface soil, sewers, and sediments.	 Technologies have proven reliable at similar sites. Cap reliability depends on regular maintenance. 	 Not difficult. Estimated time to construct: 5 months. Monitor five wells for 30 years. 	• Low risk from implementation.	 Reduces risk of direct contact. Reduces risk of off-site migration and infiltration through impacted soil. Reduces potential migration of perched groundwater by reducing infiltration. Impacted materials are properly disposed in an off-site landfill, capped on-site, or enclosed by fences. 	Reduces risk of direct contact. Remaining perched groundwater is unlikely to impact a drinking water source.	Complies with TSCA or NYSDEC RSCOs for surface soil, subsurface soil, and sediments. Public reaction is anticipated to be favorable, with reservations about impacted media left in place.
Alternative 4 Surface and Subsurface Soil Excavation and Off-Site Disposal	Addresses impacted surface and subsurface soil, sewers, and sediments.	Technologies have proven reliable at similar sites.	 Not difficult. Estimated time to construct: 5 months. Monitor three wells for five years. 	 Low risk from implementation. 	Eliminates risk of direct contact, off-site migration, infiltration through impacted soil, and migration of perched groundwater. Impacted materials are properly disposed in an off-site landfill.	Eliminates risk of direct contact and migration of perched groundwater.	 Complies with TSCA and NYSDEC RSCOs for surface soil, subsurface soil, and sediments. Public reaction is anticipated to be favorable.
Alternative 5 On-Site Thermal Desorption	Addresses impacted surface and subsurface soil, sewers, and sediments.	Technologies have proven reliable at similar sites. Requires more operation and maintenance than other alternatives.	More difficult. Estimated time to construct: 6 months. Monitor three wells for five years. Will significantly disrupt service center operations.	Low risk from implementation.	 Eliminates risk of direct contact, off-site migration, infiltration through impacted soil, and migration of perched groundwater. Impacted materials are treated to remove and destroy contaminants. 	Eliminates risk of direct contact and migration of perched groundwater.	Complies with TSCA and NYSDEC RSCOs for surface soil, subsurface soil, and sediments. Public reaction is anticipated to be favorable towards cleanup, but unfavorable towards disruption of site activity and odor problems associated with HTTD treatment.

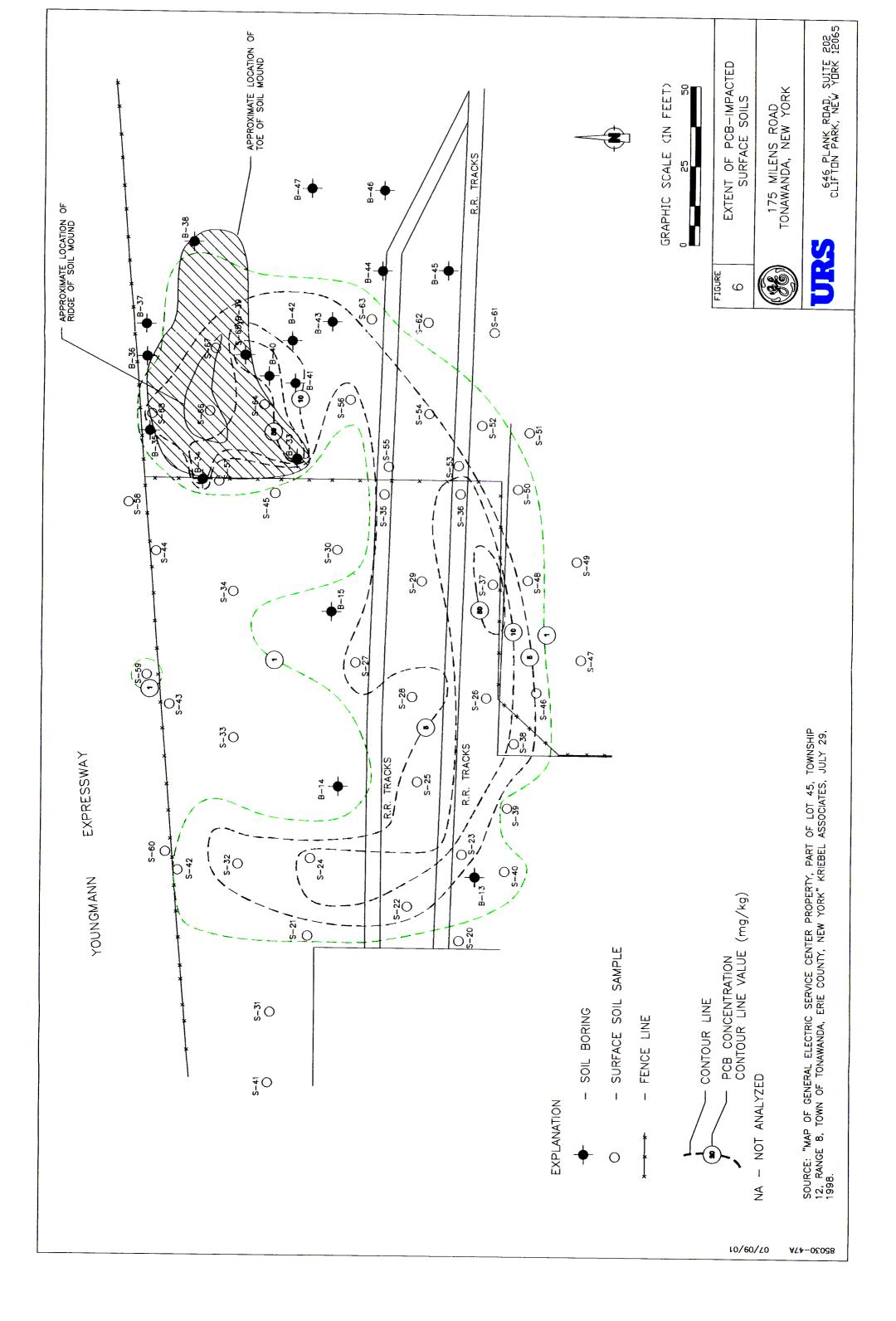


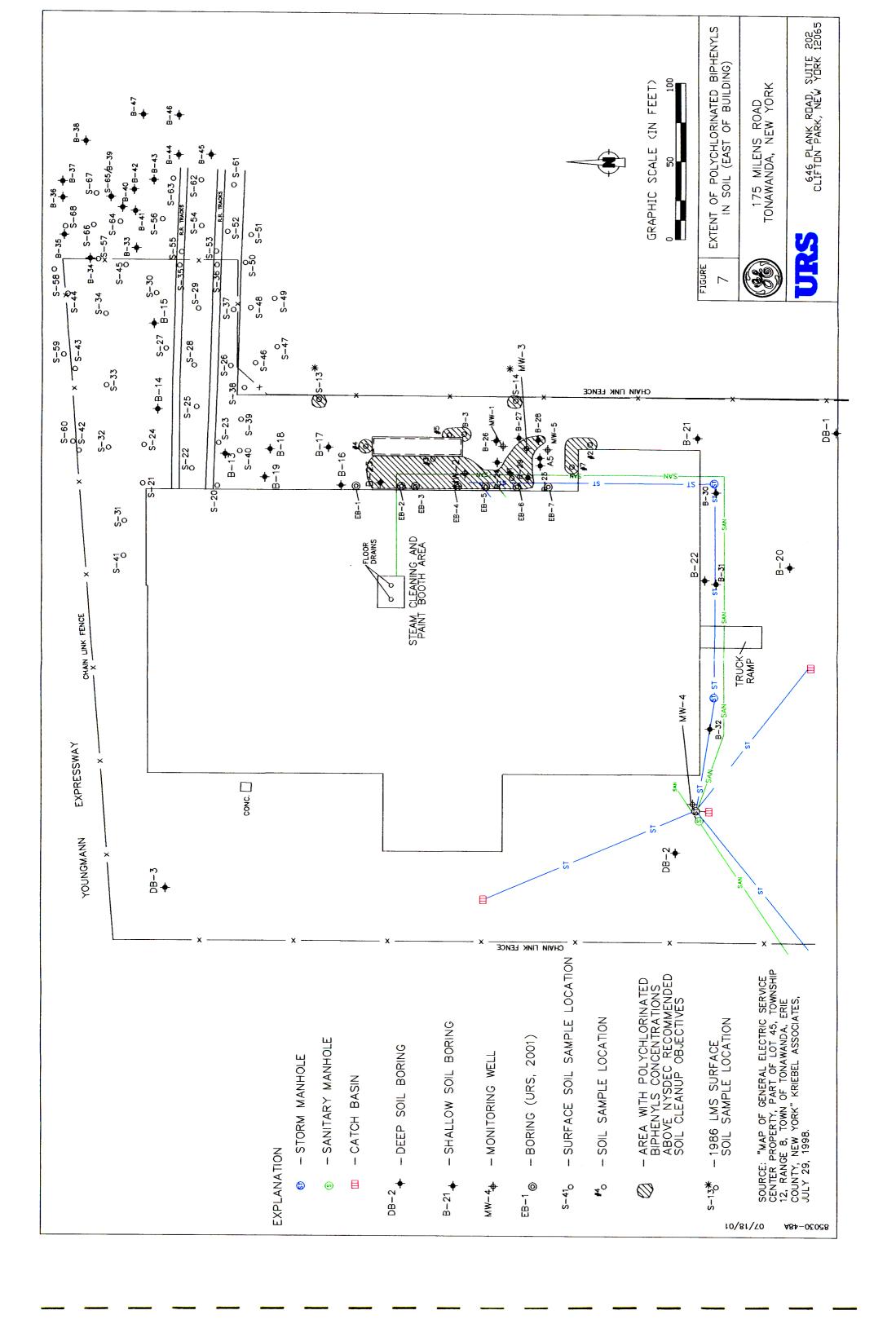


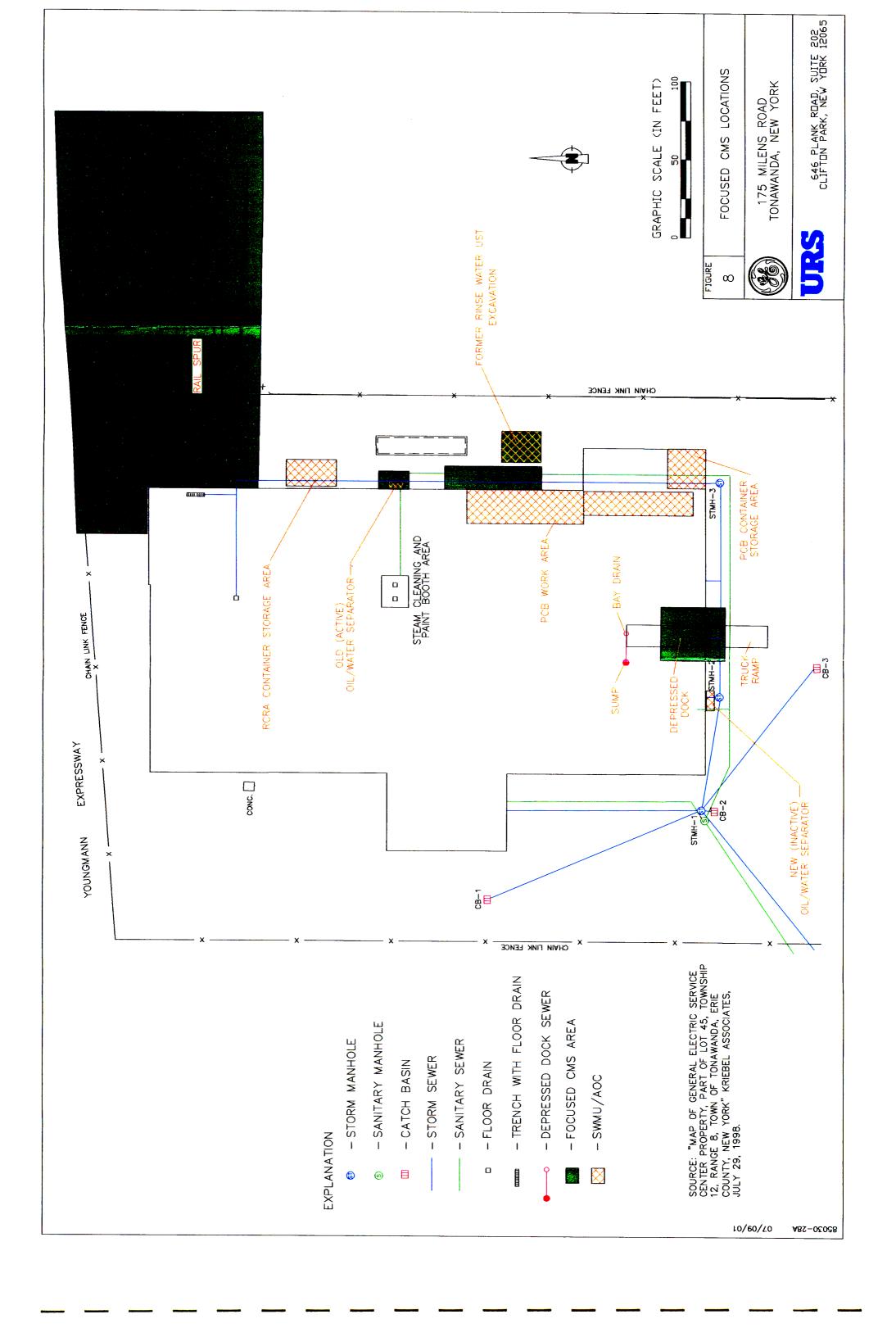


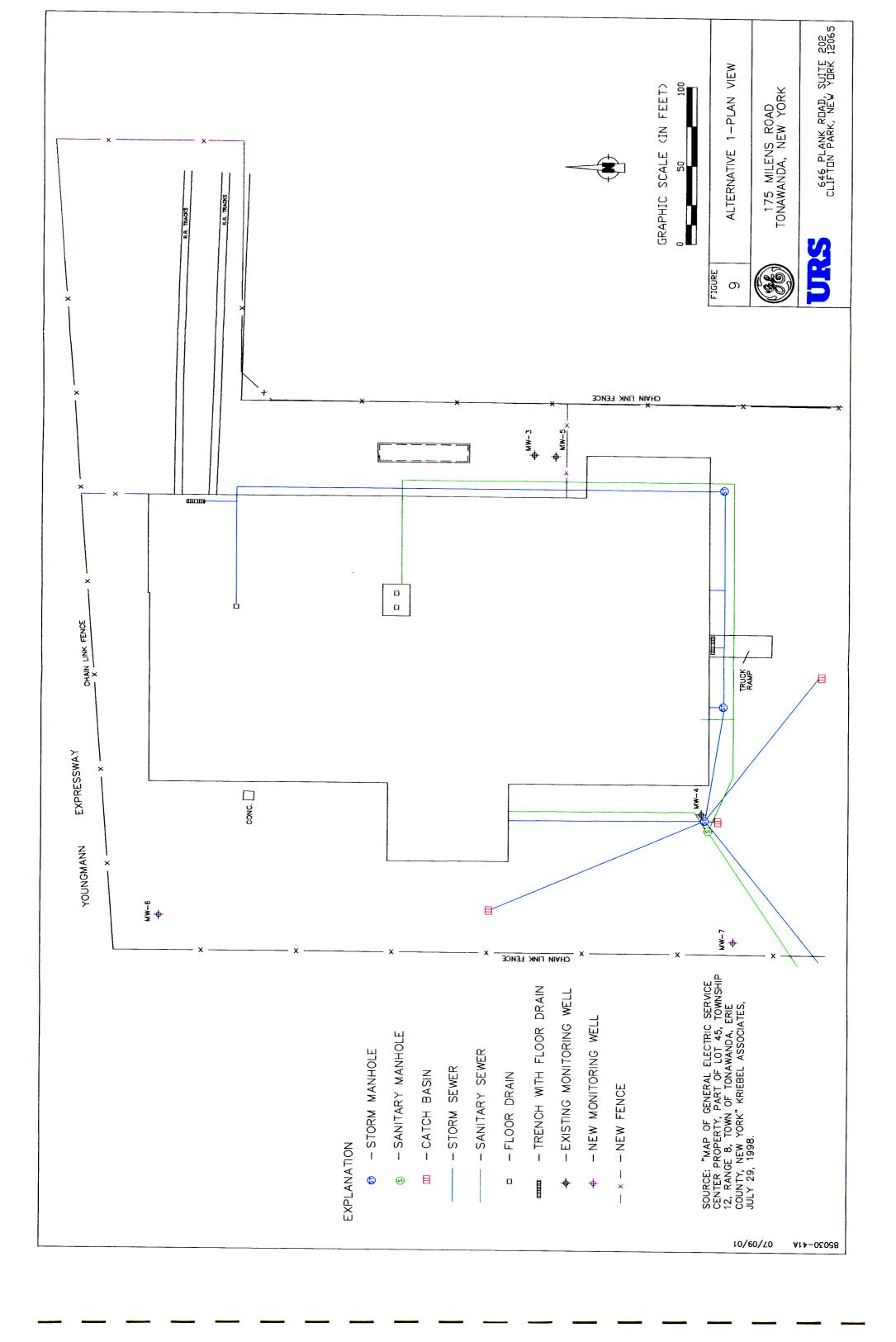


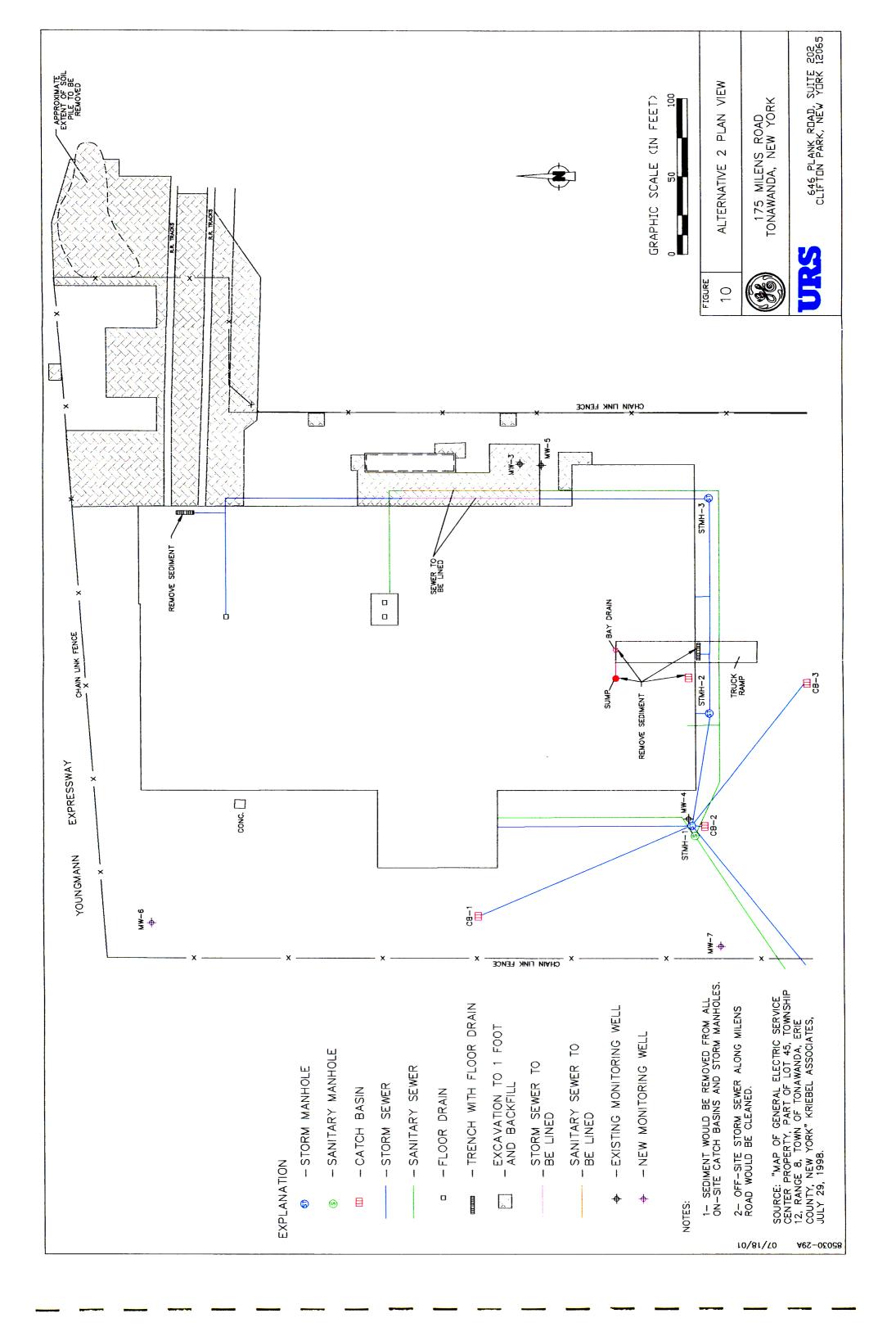


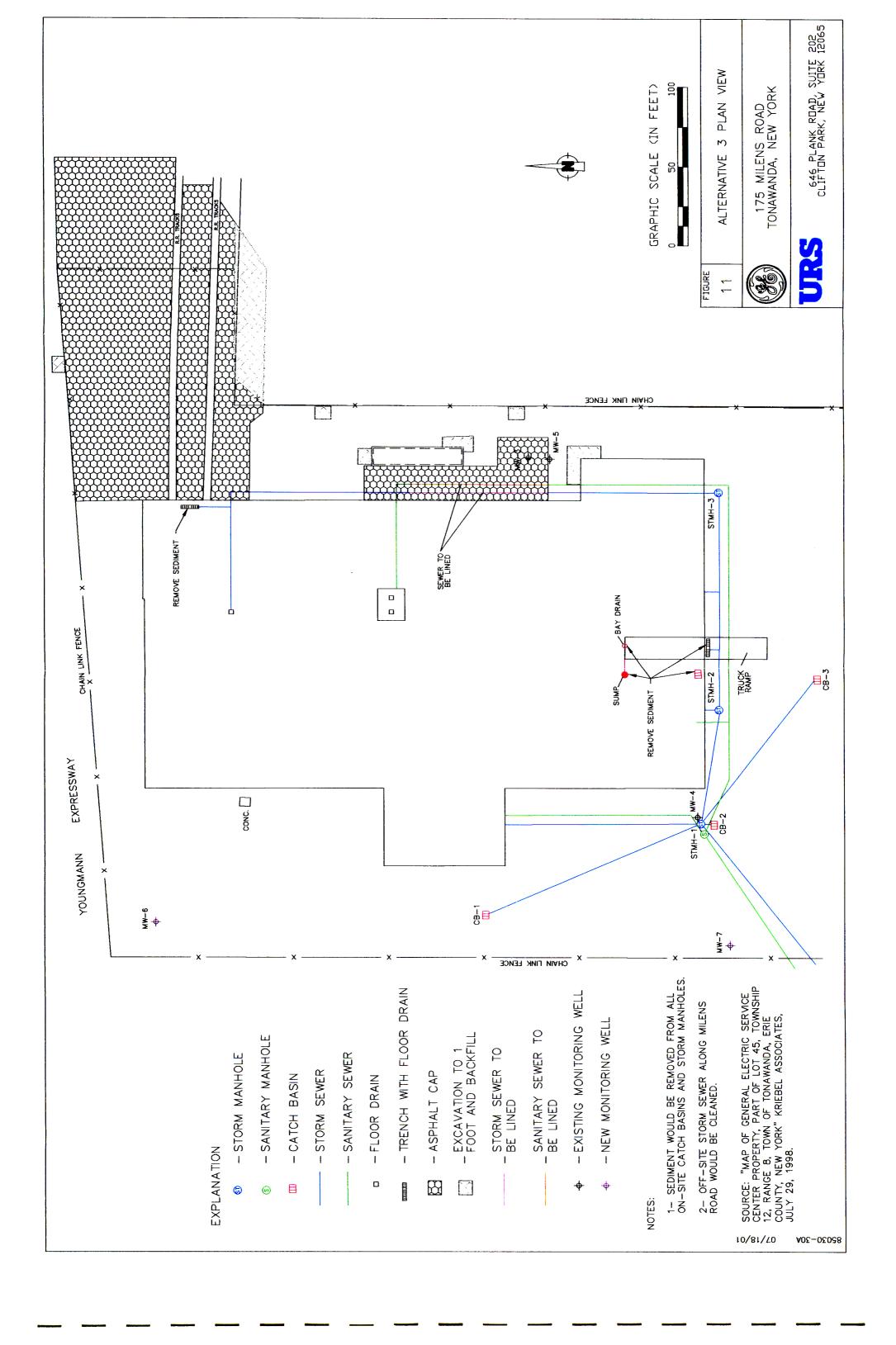


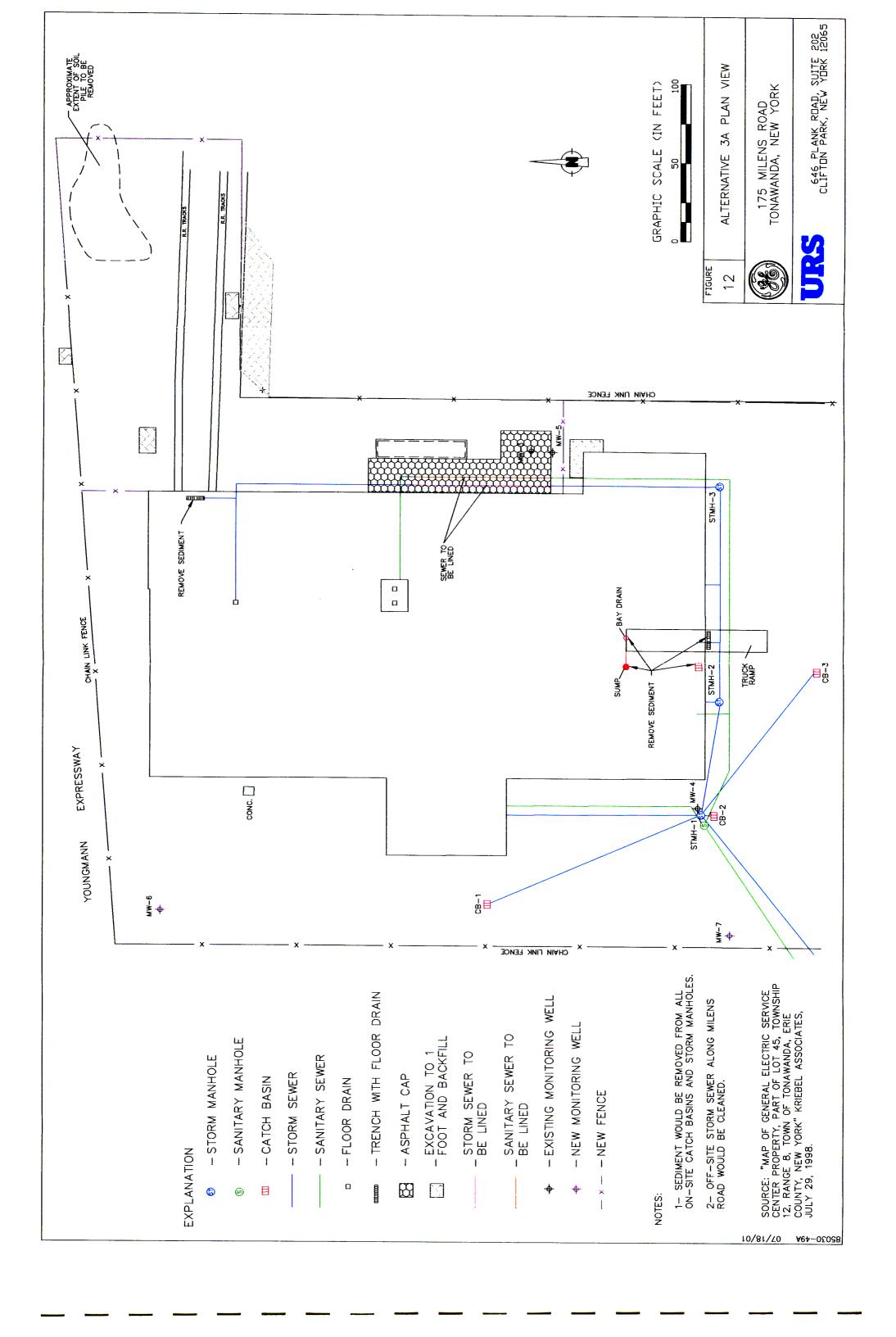


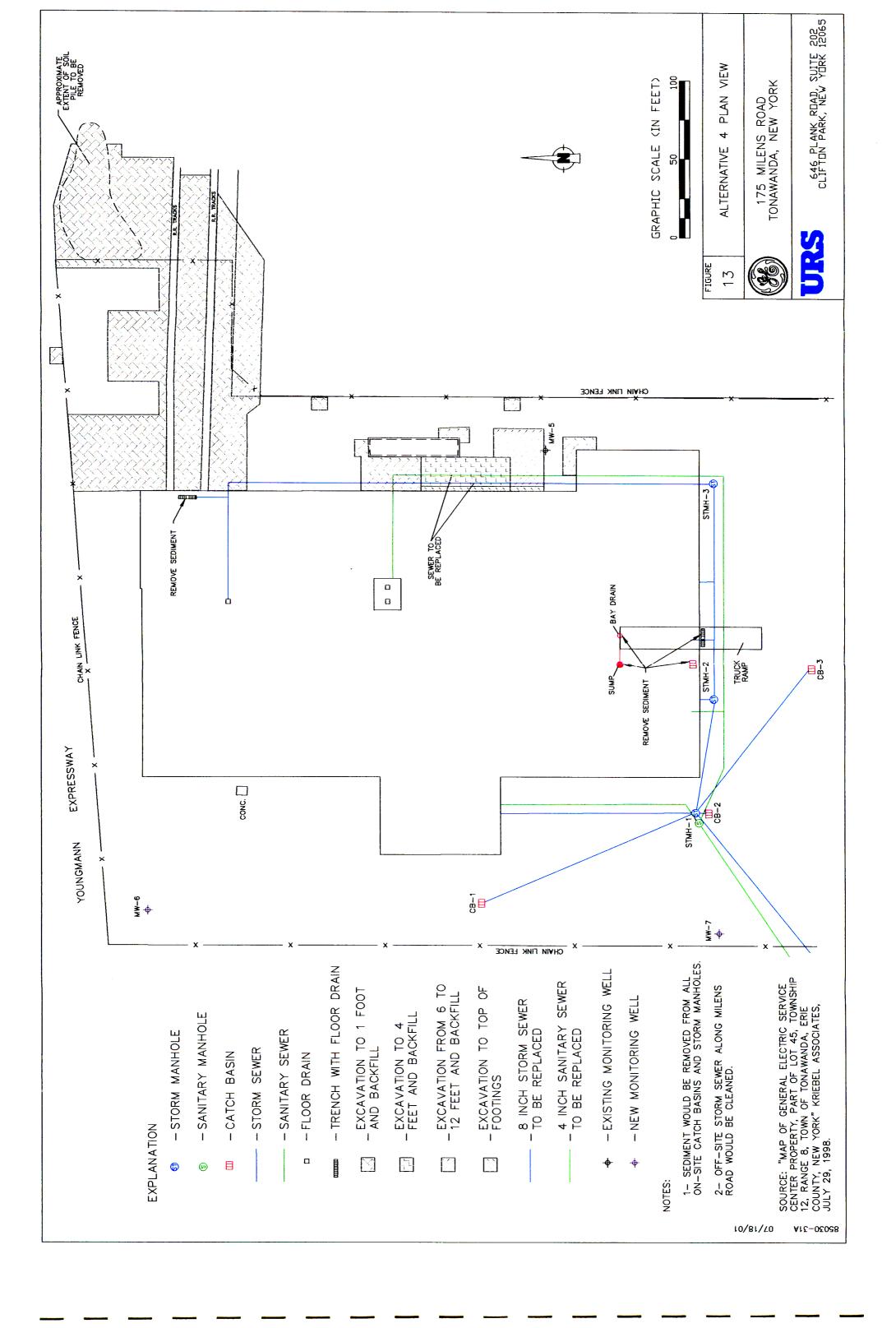


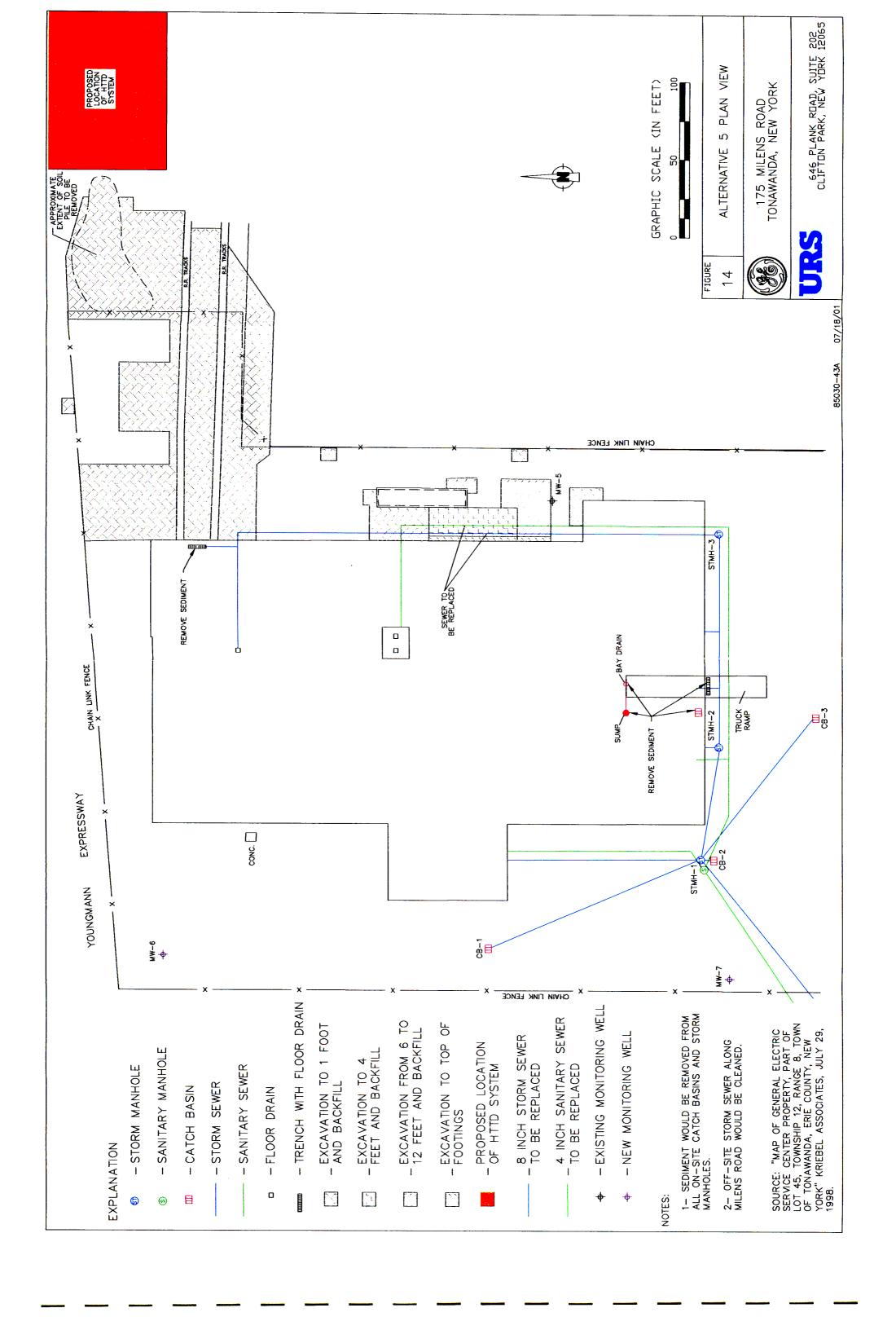












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