

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region III
POLLUTION REPORT

Date: Monday, February 4, 2008

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Subject: Removal Action

Remacor, Inc.

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POLREP No.:	105	Site #:	G3GM
Reporting Period:	2/02-2/04/08	D.O. #:	03-04-015
Start Date:	9/15/2006	Response Authority:	CERCLA
Mob Date:	9/15/2006	Response Type:	Emergency
Demob Date:		NPL Status:	Non NPL
Completion Date:		Incident Category:	Removal Action
CERCLIS ID #:	PAD074965096	Contract #	
RCRIS ID #:			

Site Description

EPA is continuing emergency removal actions at this site during the repackaging, transportation, and removal of flammable magnesium materials. Magnesium generators, who previously supplied Remacor with recyclable magnesium and magnesium alloys, are removing their materials from the site. Internet has suspended shipping material until further notice. SPX Contech will be repackaging the remainder of its material in preparation to ship it off site when weather will allow. Hitchcock Industries will be on site to identify their material.

EPA's ERRS contractor Guardian Environmental Services, Inc. (GES) is preparing to ship RAD drums which have been relocated from Building #2 to Building #7. ERRS is preparing to start reacting material located in Building #2. PADEP is providing technical and oversight support at the site. EPA START contractor TechLaw is providing technical and administrative support to the EPA. EPA and PADEP officials continue to control access to the site in addition to coordinating the activities of the various generators.

Current Activities

Personnel On-Scene:

02/02/08 START-1, ERRS-8, Security-1 (24 hr)

02/04/08 PADEP-2, ERRS-8, Other-2, Security-1 (24 hr)

Weather:

02/02/08 Low of 28° F, high of 30° F. Overcast, 0.00 inches of precipitation, wind SW 3-10 mph.

02/04/08 Low of 34° F, high of 46° F. Overcast, 0.00 inches of precipitation, wind Variable 3-8 mph.

02/02/08

ERRS contractor Guardian Environmental, Inc held its morning safety meeting and discussed the days planned activities, areas of concern and safety protocol. ERRS completed repairing the fence northeast of gate 2. ERRS also relocated drums and ran the sweeper inside of Building #2 to cut down on dust.

START conducted written/photographic documentation, and monitored activities conducted on site. START demobilized.

02/04/08

PADEP Mariruth Hoffman mobilized to site for oversight and site control. The OSC and START were unable to be on site, PADEP Hoffman monitored activities conducted on site. PADEP Hoffman demobilized.

Hitchcock Industries Environmental Health & Safety Manager Michael Medina and his subcontractor were on site but due to their late arrival they will return the morning of 2/05/07 to identify drums of their material in preparation for removal off site.

ERRS contractor Guardian Environmental, Inc held its morning safety meeting and discussed the days planned activities, areas of concern and safety protocol. ERRS began removing drums marked as residual waste from Building #2 to the reaction pit. The contents of the drums were dumped into the pit and water was added to the material to induce a reaction. The temperature of the reaction was monitored with a Raytek Raynger ST and temperatures of up to 103 degrees F were denoted. ERRS reacted 52 drums for the day.

Next Steps

No PRP activity is presently occurring on site. All PRP removal action has been suspended by the companies until inclement weather conditions allow them to resume activities.

Hitchcock Industries arrived on site late in the evening and plans to return early on 2/05/08.

ERRS has staged RAD drums in Building 7 for future disposal. ERRS plans to begin shipment of the material either the week of 2/04 or 2/11/08.

EPA will continue to coordinate with magnesium waste generators for the safe and appropriate removal of the material from the site. EPA will continue to coordinate with all local, state, and federal agencies.

Key Issues

A number of the drums located in Building 2 are marked as residual waste and the contents of the drums are not known. ERRS will treat all material as hazardous and use extreme caution when reacting the material in

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