

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region III
POLLUTION REPORT

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Subject: Removal Action
Remacor, Inc.
P.O. Box 366, West Pittsburg, PA
Latitude: 40.9349711
Longitude: -80.3686583

POLREP No.:	177	Site #:	G3GM
Reporting Period:	9/2/08-9/5/08	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 continues its emergency removal action at this site which currently involves the repackaging, transportation, and removal of flammable magnesium materials. EPA continues to repackage the magnesium waste to increase the material's stability. Staging of the repackaged drums continues in an organized fashion to maximize accessibility for retrieval by generators or disposal contractors. PADEP is overseeing site activities for the state and providing support. EPA START contractor TechLaw is providing technical and administrative support to the EPA. EPA and PADEP officials continue to control access to the site as well as coordinate activities with the various generators.

Current Activities

Personnel On-Scene:

09/02/08 EPA-1, Security-1 (24 hr)
09/03/08 EPA-1, ERRS-1, Other-1, Security-1 (24 hr)
09/04/08 EPA-1, PADEP-1, START-1, ERRS-7
09/05/08 EPA-1, PADEP-2, START-1, ERRS-7

Weather:

09/02/08 Low of 48° F, high of 78° F Scattered Clouds, 0.00inches of precipitation, wind Variable 4-9 mph.
09/03/08 Low of 52° F, high of 84° Clear, 0.00 inches precipitation, calm wind, fog in morning.
09/04/08 Low of 55° F, high of 90° Clear, 0.00 inches precipitation, wind ESE avg. 1 mph.
09/05/08 Low of 68° F, high of 86° partly cloudy, rain in afternoon. 0.05 inches precipitation, wind S avg. 5 mph.

09/02/08

EPA Rich Messimer was on site to perform cost tracking for the site. No removal activities took place.

09/03/08

USEPA OSC Jack Downie mobilized to site for oversight of removal activities.

PADEP Gary Wozniak visited the site for a meeting with OSC Downie.

START mobilized to site, assisted the EPA as needed, monitored containerized waste for stability using thermal imagery, and conducted written/photographic documentation.

Emergency and Rapid Response Services (ERRS) contractor Guardian Environmental, Inc held its morning safety meeting and discussed the days planned activities. ERRS continued repackaging drums. ERRS repackaged 30 drums during the day. ERRS also provided routine maintenance of equipment and facility grounds.

09/04/08

USEPA OSC Jack Downie was on site for oversight of activities.

PADEP Mariruth Hoffman visited the site and assisted the EPA with oversight.

Emergency and Rapid Response Services (ERRS) contractor Guardian Environmental, Inc held its morning safety meeting and discussed the days planned activities. ERRS repackaged 57 drums of magnesium during the day. ERRS also continued routine equipment maintenance and grounds-keeping.

START assisted the EPA as needed, monitored containerized waste for stability using thermal imagery, and conducted written/photographic documentation.

09/05/08

USEPA OSC Jack Downie was on site for oversight of activities.

PADEP Mariruth Hoffman visited the site and assisted the EPA with oversight.

Emergency and Rapid Response Services (ERRS) contractor Guardian Environmental, Inc held its morning safety meeting and discussed the days planned activities. ERRS repackaged 64 drums of magnesium during the day. A total of 3,262 drums of magnesium waste are now stored in building 2. ERRS also continued routine equipment maintenance and grounds-keeping.

START assisted the EPA as needed, monitored containerized waste for stability using thermal imagery, and conducted written/photographic documentation.

Next Steps

ERRS will continue repackaging magnesium waste from corroded drums into new DOT approved vented drums. ERRS will also arrange for off-site treatment and disposal of hazardous waste materials in building 9. ERRS is planning procedures to empty material from the silos on site.

Key Issues

None.

Estimated Costs *

	Budgeted	Total To Date	Remaining	% Remaining
Extramural Costs				
ERRS - Cleanup (thru 9/9/07)	\$575,000.00	\$491,435.00	\$83,565.00	14.53%
ERRS - Cleanup (9/10/07 to Present)	\$3,025,000.00	\$2,689,232.00	\$335,768.00	11.10%
RST/START	\$482,980.00	\$346,713.00	\$136,267.00	28.21%
Intramural Costs				
Total Site Costs	\$4,082,980.00	\$3,527,380.00	\$555,600.00	13.61%

* The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The OSC does not necessarily receive specific figures on final payments made to any contractor(s). Other financial data which the OSC must rely upon may not be entirely up-to-date. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

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