

NPL Site Narrative for General Motors (Central Foundry Division)

GENERAL MOTORS (CENTRAL FOUNDRY DIVISION)

Massena, New York

Conditions at listing (September 1983): The General Motors (Central Foundry Division) Site is a 165-acre aluminum casting facility on the St. Lawrence River, in Massena, St. Lawrence County, New York. The site contains two areas that have received an estimated 30,000 cubic yards of PCB-contaminated sludges generated from recycling of hydraulic oil formerly used in the plant's machinery. A portion of the waste lies below the water table. An additional 9,000 gallons of contaminated oil are stored in an abandoned pump house. Analyses by the State indicate that ground water and surface water are contaminated on the site. Run-off is toward the Raquette River, St. Lawrence River, and the St. Regis Indian Reservation; all are about 1,000 feet from the site. The company's response to an information request letter indicates there are other areas of concern at the facility.

Status (June 1984): EPA and the State are planning a remedial investigation/feasibility study to determine the type and extent of contamination at the site and identify alternatives for remedial action.

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