

HUDSON RIVER PCBs
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- P. 10.10487 -E-mail (w/attachment) to Mr. Douglas Fischer,
10.10488 U.S. EPA, Region II, from Mr. Randy Deitz, U.S.
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- P. 10.10489 -Forwarded e-mail to Mr. Douglas Fischer, U.S.
10.10489 EPA, Region II, from Mr. Paul Simon, U.S. EPA,
Region II, re: Meeting on Hudson River with Farm
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10.6 Fact Sheets and Press Releases

- P. 10.10490 -Fact sheet: U.S. EPA, Region II, Superfund,
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- P. 11.2535 - Report: Niagara River Biota Contamination
11.2725 Project: Fish Flesh Criteria for Piscivorous
Wildlife, prepared by New York State Department of
Environmental Conservation, July 1987.

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LIST OF QA/QC PACKAGES FOR DATA UTILIZED IN THE REASSESSMENT RI/FS AND MISCELLANEOUS DATA

Due to their voluminous nature, the following data packages are incorporated by reference into the Hudson River PCBs Reassessment RI/FS Administrative Record. This data is primarily raw environmental sampling data and related data "quality assurance/quality compliance" packages. In general, this data has been presented in summary form elsewhere in the Administrative Record. The majority of such summary data may be found in the Compact Disk: Database for the Hudson River PCBs Reassessment RI/FS, Release 5.0, prepared by TAMS Consultants, Inc., prepared for U.S. EPA, Region II, October 2000. (Note: This database can be found in Hudson River PCBs Administrative

Record, Update #5, p. 305689-305689). The data packages are available at the EPA Region II Superfund Remedial Records Center, 290 Broadway, 18th Floor, New York, NY 10007. Contact: (212) 637-4308.

1. Report, 1998 Upper Hudson River Sediment Coring Program, prepared by O'Brien and Gere, prepared for General Electric Co, December 1998.
2. Law 1990 Fish Sample Reanalysis QA/QC Package, prepared by Northeast Analytical, prepared for O'Brien and Gere, prepared for General Electric Co, Winter 1996.
3. Report, Fort Edward Dam PCB Remnant Containment, 1994 Post-Construction Remnant Deposit Monitoring Program, prepared by O'Brien and Gere, prepared for General Electric Co, August 1995.
4. Report, Fort Edward Dam PCB Remnant Containment, 1995 Post-Construction Remnant Deposit Monitoring Program, prepared by O'Brien and Gere, prepared for General Electric Co, July 1996.
5. Report, Fort Edward Dam PCB Remnant Containment, 1996 Post-Construction Remnant Deposit Monitoring Program, prepared by O'Brien and Gere, prepared for General Electric Co, March 1998.
6. Report, Fort Edward Dam PCB Remnant Containment, 1997 Post-Construction Remnant Deposit Monitoring Program, prepared by O'Brien and Gere, prepared for General Electric Co, November 1998.
7. Report, Hudson River Project 1998 Upper Hudson River Water Column Monitoring Program, prepared by O'Brien and Gere, prepared for General Electric Co, October 1999.
8. Report, Hudson River Project Monitoring Program 1999 Summary Report, prepared by QEA, prepared for General Electric Co, January 2001.
9. QA/QC Packages for EPA Region II Phase II Sampling, prepared by Gradient Corp., 1995-1996.
10. Data Package, Rogers Island Sampling, prepared by Severn Trent Laboratories, prepared for TAMS, prepared for EPA, August 1999.

11. Data for: Report: Effects of the Health Advisory and Advisory Changes on Fishing Habits and Fish Consumption in New York Sport Fisheries, prepared by Ms. Nancy A. Connelly, Human Dimensions Research Unit, Department of Natural Resources, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Cornell University, Ms. Barbara A. Knuth, Human Dimensions Research Unit, Department of Natural Resources, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Cornell University, and Ms. Carole A. Bisogni, Division of Nutritional Sciences, College of Human Ecology, Cornell University, prepared for New York Sea Grant Institute, September 1992 (Note: This report can be found in Hudson River PCBs Administrative Record, Update #10, pp. 800857-800993.) (Note: This data is confidential, proprietary information. EPA has a copy of this data in the confidential portion of the Administrative Record. Members of the public who desire a copy of the data should contact Nancy Connelly, 124 Fernow Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853, 607-255-2830. There is a fee charged for the data.)
12. Report, Fort Edward Dam PCB Remnant Containment, 1993 Post-Construction Remnant Deposit Monitoring Program, prepared by O'Brien and Gere, prepared for General Electric Co, April 1994.
13. Report, Fort Edward Dam PCB Remnant Containment, 1992 Post-Construction Remnant Deposit Monitoring Program, prepared by O'Brien and Gere, prepared for General Electric Co, August 1993.
14. Report, Fall 1990 Hudson River Monitoring Program, prepared by O'Brien and Gere, prepared for General Electric Co, June 1991.

VIDEO

The following videos are included in the Hudson River PCBs Reassessment RI/FS Administrative Record. The corresponding Administrative Record Index section for each video is noted. The originals of the videos are available at the EPA Region II Superfund Remedial Records Center, 290 Broadway, 18th Floor, New York, NY 10007. Contact: (212) 637-4308.

1. Video, PCB Contamination in the Hudson Valley: A Victimless Crime?, Parts 1-5, Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, February 7, 2001 (10.1 - Comments and Responses - Video)

2. Video, The Hudson River Project, a Message from GE, General Electric Company, January 28, 2001 (10.1 - Comments and Responses - Video)
3. Video, Big Sky Editorial, General Electric Company/BBD&O, April 2, 2001 (10.1 - Comments and Responses - Video)
4. Video, Post-capping Revegetation Inspection of GM-Massena Superfund Site, General Motors, 1996 (11.4 - Technical Sources - Video)
5. Video, Environmental Dredging, U.S. EPA Region II/ERTV, Fall 2000 (11.4 - Technical Sources - Video)
6. Video, GE Hudson Falls Pumphouse IRM, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, August 1998 (11.4 - Technical Sources - Video)

INCORPORATION OF EPA GUIDANCE AND OTHER REFERENCE MATERIALS

Documents cited in the "Reference" sections of reports, studies and similar documents for the Hudson River PCBs Superfund Site Reassessment RI/FS (including, for example, scope of work reports, remedial investigation reports, responsiveness summaries, peer review reports, the December 2000 Feasibility Study and Record of Decision responsiveness summary) which are not listed in the Hudson River PCBs Superfund Site Administrative Records Index are incorporated herein by reference. The documents so incorporated include, but are not limited to, technical reports and studies, legal citations, EPA guidance (including handbooks, remediation strategies and similar guidance documents), and other government reports, studies and documents which are publicly available. For further information on reviewing or obtaining copies of such documents, please contact the EPA Region II Superfund Remedial Records Center, 290 Broadway, 18th Floor, New York, NY 10007. Contact: (212) 637-4308.

EPA GUIDANCE

In addition to the EPA guidance incorporated by reference above, the following guidance was considered by EPA with respect to the Record of Decision for the Hudson River PCBs Superfund Site Reassessment RI/FS:

1. United States Environmental Protection Agency, Final Guidance on Administrative Records for Selecting CERCLA Response Actions, OSWER Dir. No. 9833.3A-1, December 3, 1990
2. United States Environmental Protection Agency, Peer Review Handbook, Office of Science Policy, Office of Research and Development, EPA 100-B-00-001, December 2000
3. United States Environmental Protection Agency, Comprehensive Five-Year Review Guidance, OSWER Dir. No. 9355.7-03B-P, June 2001