

# Road to Superfund

955602

– Brian Kelly

1979 entered into CERCLA

1987 Preliminary Assessment

1990 No Further Action – RCRA  
Lead

1996 DSC Purchase the Property  
– No PPA or BEA

1998 Combined Order with State  
of Michigan

2000 Sale of norther parcel to  
RTRR. DSC indemnifies RTRR  
for environmental



# Emergency Cleanups

2007 - Fire

2008 - Drums

2009 – PCBs

2009 - Leachate



Larry Caruso/Photo Editor

Black smoke filled the air Thursday evening as an oil pit at the abandoned McLouth Steel Plant on West Jefferson in Trenton caught fire. Traffic backed up as some residents tried to get home, or leave the area. Fire officials said the air was tested and nothing toxic was emitted with the fire. The smoke could



# 2009 letter to Site Assessment

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
REGION 5  
EMERGENCY RESPONSE BRANCH  
9311 GROH ROAD  
GROSSE ILE, MICHIGAN 48138

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:  
Brian Kelly

November 3, 2009

VIA EMAIL

Patrick Hamblin  
USEPA REGION 5  
77 West Jackson Boulevard  
Mail Code: SR-6J  
Chicago, IL 60604-3507

Joe Walczak  
MDEQ-RRD-Superfund Section  
P.O. Box 30426  
Lansing, MI 48909

Re: DSC – Trenton Site  
Evaluation by Site Assessment Program

Dear Mr. Hamblin and Mr. Walczak:

The U.S. EPA's Removal Branch has completed a time-critical removal action at the DSC-Trenton Site located at 1491 West Jefferson Avenue, Trenton, Michigan. This removal action was necessitated by the imminent and substantial threat caused by the presence of 3,744 polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) capacitors, 39,783 gallons of PCB oil, and 1,877 containers of hazardous waste, which were removed from the Site for off-site disposal between May 12, 2009, and October 2, 2009.

As you know, substantial work as detailed in the Comprehensive Corrective Action and Remedial Consent Order (Order) remains to be done. The remaining work is beyond the scope of the Removal Branch and there is no chance Detroit Steel Company, LLC or Trenton Land Holdings, LLC will comply with the Order. Therefore, I recommend DSC-Trenton and potentially DSC-Gibraltar be referred to the site assessment program and evaluated for potential inclusion on the National Priorities List.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at (734) 692-7684.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature of Brian Kelly in black ink.

Brian Kelly  
U.S. EPA, OSC

cc: Beverly Kush, U.S. EPA  
Daniel Yordanich, MDEQ



# Superfund Listing



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## **2017 - Wayne County Forecloses**

2017 - State Declines

2017 – Trenton Considers, Declines

2017 - County accept property

2017 –Development Agreement Signed

2017-2018 Settlement Process