AMENDED RECORD OF DECISION
REMEDIAL ALTERNATIVE SELECTION

Site: Picillo Farm, Coventry, Rhode Island

DOCUMENTS REVIEWED

I am basing my decision primarily on the following documents describing the analysis of cost-effectiveness of remedial alternatives for the Picillo site:


3. Endangerment Assessment and Feasibility Study, Picillo Site, Coventry, Rhode Island, March 1985, prepared by GCA Corporation, GCA/Technology Division, Bedford, Massachusetts.


6. State and EPA staff summaries and recommendations.

DESCRIPTION OF SELECTION REMEDY

- Disposal of approximately 3500 cubic yards of primarily PCB contaminated soils and disposal of approximately 3000 cubic yards of primarily phenol contaminated soils offsite in a RCRA/TSCA landfill.

- Disposal of the samples collected during site investigations.

- Implementation of site closure activities.

DECLARATION

Consistent with the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA), the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), and the National Contingency Plan (40 C.F.R. Part 300), I have determined that at the Picillo Farm site disposal of soils contaminated with
hazardous substances in an off-site RCRA/TSCA landfill and implementation of the associated site closure activities is the cost-effective remedy for the on-site soil contamination and provides adequate protection of public health, welfare, and the environment.

This decision document amends the Record of Decision issued on September 30, 1985. The change in the selected remedy from on-site to off-site disposal of the contaminated soils was necessitated by provisions in the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986.

The source control remedy will require operation and maintenance activities to ensure its continued effectiveness. These operations and maintenance activities will be considered part of the approved action and eligible for Trust Fund monies for a period of one year from the completion of remedial actions.

I have also determined that the action being taken is appropriate when balanced against the availability of Trust Fund monies for use at other sites.

EPA has consulted with the State of Rhode Island concerning the selected source control remedy. Like EPA, the State proposes contaminated soils be disposed of in an off-site RCRA/TSCA landfill.

The recommended remedy will not eliminate the residual groundwater contamination at the site. EPA will conduct a remedial investigation/feasibility study to determine the nature and extent of the contamination and to evaluate cleanup alternatives.

Based on this information, if additional remedial actions are determined to be necessary, a Record of Decision will be prepared for approval of the future remedial actions.

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Date

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Regional Administrator
AMENDMENT TO THE
SUMMARY OF REMEDIAL ALTERNATIVE SELECTION
PICILLO FARM SITE

February 1987
Introduction

This Record-of-Decision (ROD) amends the ROD issued on September 30, 1985 by EPA for the source control remedy at the Picillo site located in Coventry, Rhode Island. The remedy selected in the 1985 ROD called for the on-site disposal of PCB and phenol contaminated soils in a RCRA/TSCA landfill and some additional site closure and post-closure activities. The new selected remedy calls for the off-site disposal of the contaminated soils and laboratory samples, together with selected site closure and post-closure activities described below.

The change in the remedy was mandated by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). Specifically, section 121(d)(2)(C)(iv) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) as amended by SARA requires EPA to conform the selected remedy at Picillo to Rhode Island's environmental standard that prohibits the landfilling of "extremely hazardous wastes". The soil at Picillo that is contaminated with PCBs at concentrations greater than 50 parts per million (ppm) is considered such an "extremely hazardous waste" under the State standard.

The information developed in the 1985 ROD, except where expressly contradicted, is incorporated within this document. The reader should refer to the 1985 ROD for additional information regarding the site.
Consistency With CERCLA As Amended By SARA

Congress provided very specific language in section 121 of CERCLA as amended by SARA which pertains to the Picillo site. Section 121(d)(2)(C)(iv) states: "Where the remedial action selected by the President does not conform to a State standard and the State has initiated a law suit against the Environmental Protection Agency prior to May 1, 1986, to seek to have the remedial action conform to such standard, the President shall conform the remedial action to the State standard. The State shall assure the availability of an offsite facility for such remedial action".

In this section Congress focused very specifically on the Picillo site. Following issuance of the 1985 ROD and before May 1, 1986, Rhode Island filed suit in an attempt to force EPA to conform the selected remedy for Picillo to the requirements of the Rhode Island Hazardous Waste Management Act, General Laws of Rhode Island, 23-19.1-1 et seq. This State law prohibits the landfilling of "extremely hazardous waste". The State has classified the PCB contaminated soils at Picillo as an "extremely hazardous waste" subject to this landfilling prohibition. The State, therefore, challenged EPA's ROD in which the decision was made to landfill on-site at Picillo the PCB contaminated soil. Congress, in section 121(d)(2)(C)(iv), directed the President to conform the remedial action at Picillo to the State standard.

In addition to section 121(d)(2)(C)(iv), EPA had to determine whether other provisions of section 121 of CERCLA should apply to the remedy at Picillo. Section 121 generally disapproves of
landfilling and favors permanent remedies, and has numerous other provisions governing cleanup standards. If the general provisions of section 121 apply in addition to section 121(d)(2)(C)(iv), then EPA would have to conduct further studies to determine whether alternatives to landfilling would be appropriate either on- or off-site, and if appropriate, which of these alternatives should be selected.

In light of the review of the CERCLA Amendments, EPA has concluded that Congress intended to grant the Agency, in this specific case, the authority to approve an off-site landfilling remedy. The rationale for this decision is set out below.

The legislative history makes clear that section 121(d)(2)(C)(iv) was intended to address the site. The Conference Report provides that clause (iv) "requires the President to conform the remedial action at the Picillo Pig Farm site, Rhode Island, to the State standard." SARA Conference Report, H.R. Rep. No. 962, 99th Cong., 2nd Session (1986) at 246. Similarly, in the October 3, 1986 Senate debates on the Superfund Amendments, Senator Chafee of Rhode Island stated that "[t]his provision was added at my insistence after the State of Rhode Island was forced by EPA to go to court last December in an effort [sic] to get EPA to remove the contaminated dirt [at the Picillo dump site]." Cong. Rec. §14924 (Daily Ed. Oct. 3, 1986). While the legislative history does not indicate that Congress intended a specific remedy for
the site, it does demonstrate that Congress sought to have Rhode Island's requirements for the site, control the remedy.

Moreover, during the remedy selection process conducted for the 1985 ROD, EPA developed and fully evaluated six source control alternatives (these did not include incineration). During the drafting and passage of the statute, only those six alternatives were contemplated as a possible remedy by EPA and the State. Those alternatives are re-evaluated here to ensure that the remedy selected is protective, cost-effective and in conformance with section 121(d)(2)(C)(iv).

In addition to the above factors, there exists a number of fundamental principles of statutory construction which pertain to this matter. First, if possible, it is necessary to give effect to every word and phrase of a statute. Thus, the last section of section 121(d)(2)(C)(iv), which requires the State to secure an off-site facility for the revised remedy, must be implemented.

Further, specific terms in a statute prevail over the more general terms of a statute. EPA believes section 121(d)(2)(C)(iv) reflects Congressional intent as to the remedy at this single, specific site. This section controls, therefore, over the more general provisions of section 121.

Because of the inclusion of the provision directed at Picillo, the remedy at this site is *sui generis*, i.e., it is applicable only to this remedial action. EPA has interpreted the statute to mean that the Agency has authority to approve of a range of
off-site remedies, including those (such as landfilling) under
discussion by the State and the Agency prior to the issuance
of the ROD, for which the State will provide facilities, even if
other provisions of section 121 are not met.

The selected remedy complies with the State standard because it
no longer includes on-site landfilling of the PCB contaminated
soils. It also utilizes an off-site facility, which the State
has assured it will make available. Therefore, the chosen remedy
conforms to the requirements of section 121(d)(2)(C)(iv) of
CERCLA.

Alternatives Evaluation

This decision document re-evaluates the alternatives developed in
the 1985 ROD for the source control remedy. The six alternatives
evaluated in the 1985 ROD and reconsidered here are listed in
Table I.

The re-evaluation was conducted to ensure that the remedy selected
is protective, cost-effective and in conformance with CERCLA as
amended.

Section 121(d)(2)(C)(iv) of CERCLA eliminates alternatives SC-5
and SC-6 from further consideration. These remedies include the
on-site landfilling of the PCB contaminated soils. As was discussed,
these do not comply with section 121(d)(2)(C)(iv) of CERCLA that
requires the selected remedy to conform to the State's standard
that prohibits on-site landfilling of the PCB contaminated soils
at Picillo. Alternative SC-5 was the selected remedy in the 1985 ROD.

The No Action alternative is also eliminated from further consideration. As EPA concluded in the 1985 ROD and also concludes here, No Action would not effectively mitigate or minimize damage to and provide adequate protection of human health and welfare and the environment.

Alternative SC-4 is also eliminated from further consideration. This alternative calls for the off-site disposal of the PCB contaminated soils and the disposal of the phenol contaminated soil in a cap-only landfill. As was concluded in the 1985 ROD and also concluded here, this alternative would not effectively mitigate the threat to human health and welfare and the environment.

Alternative SC-3 involves disposing the PCB contaminated soils in an off-site RCRA/TSCA landfill and disposing the phenol contaminated soils in an on-site RCRA landfill. The estimated cost of this alternative is $2.6 million. EPA considers this alternative to be adequately protective of human health and welfare and the environment.

Alternative SC-2 involves the disposal of the PCB and phenol contaminated soils in an off-site RCRA/TSCA landfill. The estimated cost of this alternative is $3 million. Since the source of contamination would be removed, this remedy would provide adequate
This alternative is slightly more expensive than alternative SC-3.

Although alternative SC-2 (off-site disposal of both the PCB and phenol contaminated soils) is slightly more expensive than alternative SC-3 (off-site disposal of the PCB soils and on-site disposal of the phenol soils), EPA considers alternative SC-2 to be more cost-effective because of the reasons discussed below.

First, the on-site landfill for the phenol contaminated soils will require the following actions that would not be needed if the soil was landfilled off-site:

1. long-term monitoring and maintenance of the on-site landfill;
2. the potential for future remedial action costs if the on-site landfill fails; and
3. a review of the remedy every five years.

In addition, the construction of an on-site landfill for the phenol contaminated soils would take longer to implement than disposing the soils off-site.

**Recommended Alternative**

EPA has determined the source control remedy utilizing off-site landfiling of the PCB and phenol contaminated soils in a RCRA/TSCA landfill meets the special statutory requirements for this site, is cost-effective and protective of human health and the environment. This recommended remedy also involves site closure and post-closure activities including: filling, grading and revegetating the site; installing a run-on/run-off control system; installing a
fence; mowing the site if necessary; and providing for future maintenance that may be needed. Additionally, the samples collected during the site investigation and now stored on-site will be disposed along with the contaminated soils. EPA concluded that it is cost-effective to dispose of the samples off-site as there will be no capacity provided on-site as part of this remedy. The State will be consulted before the samples are disposed to ensure they are no longer needed for legal purposes.

The State of Rhode Island has indicated that it concurs with EPA's selected remedy. The State has also agreed to assure the availability of an off-site landfill for the remedy that is in compliance with applicable or relevant and appropriate environmental requirements.

As discussed, the selected remedy complies with federal and state environmental requirements, including the Rhode Island standard that prohibits landfilling soil contaminated with PCBs at concentrations greater than 50 ppm at Picillo.

EPA considered the provisions in section 121 of CERCLA that prefer the selection of permanent remedies. As discussed, the site-specific language in the statute overrides the general directive to implement a permanent remedy, and gives EPA the authority to select off-site landfilling.

**Consistency With Other Environmental Laws**

The selected remedial action for source control that includes the off-site disposal of the contaminated soils will meet all applicable or relevant and appropriate federal and state requirements if the
The land disposal facility that will be used at the time the contaminated soils are disposed will be operating in compliance with sections 3004 and 3005 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act and, where applicable, the Toxic Substances Control Act or other applicable federal law and all applicable state requirements. Additionally, both of the following requirements will be met at the time of disposal:

(A) The unit at the land disposal facility to which the contaminated soil will be transferred will not be releasing any hazardous waste, or constituent thereof, into the groundwater or surface water or soil.

(B) All such releases from other units at the land disposal facility will be controlled by a corrective action program approved by EPA under subtitle C of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.

Operation and Maintenance

The operation and maintenance (O&M) activities required are:

1. Periodic inspections of the site.
2. Mowing the site if necessary.
4. Maintenance and periodic replacement of the site fence.

Operation and maintenance activities will be considered part of the approved remedial action and eligible for Trust Fund monies for a period of one year from the completion of the remedial
The State has made a commitment to provide for the operation and maintenance after the first year. Rhode Island's Department of Environmental Management is the State agency responsible for this.
Table I

SOURCE CONTROL ALTERNATIVES

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RECORD OF DECISION

REMEDIAL ALTERNATIVE SELECTION

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DOCUMENTS REVIEWED

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DESCRIPTION OF SELECTED REMEDY

- Disposal of approximately 3500 cubic yards of primarily PCB contaminated soils and disposal of approximately 3000 cubic yards of primarily phenol contaminated soils onsite in a RCRA/TSCA landfill.

- Implementation of site closure activities.

DECLARATION

Consistent with the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), and the National Contingency Plan (40 C.F.R. Part 300), I have determined that at the Picillo Farm site disposal of soils contaminated with hazardous substances in an on-site RCRA/TSCA landfill and implementation of the associated site closure activities is the cost-effective remedy for the on-site soil contamination and provides adequate protection of public health, welfare, and the environment.
The source control remedy will require operation and maintenance activities to ensure its continued effectiveness. These operation and maintenance activities will be considered part of the approved action and eligible for Trust Fund monies for a period of one year from the completion of remedial actions.

I have also determined that the action being taken is appropriate when balanced against the availability of Trust Fund monies for use at other sites.

EPA has consulted with the State of Rhode Island concerning the selected source control remedy. Like EPA, the State proposes that the phenol contaminated soils be placed in an on-site RCRA landfill. The State does not concur with EPA's decision that the 3500 yd³ of primarily PCB contaminated soil also be disposed of in an on-site RCRA/TSCA landfill.

The recommended remedy will not eliminate the residual groundwater contamination at the site. EPA will implement a groundwater and surface water monitoring program and will establish risk based standards for the groundwater that are protective of public health, welfare and the environment. Based on this information, if additional remedial actions are determined to be necessary, a Record of Decision will be prepared for approval of the future remedial actions.

Sept. 30, 1985
Date

Michael R. Redman
Regional Administrator
CLEANUP PLANS FOR PICILLO AND WESTERN SAND & GRAVEL SITES ANNOUNCED

BOSTON -- The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) today selected remedies for hazardous waste contamination at the Picillo Farm and the Western Sand & Gravel Superfund sites in Rhode Island.

EPA selected a $1.1 million remedy for the Picillo site in Coventry. The plan calls for landfilling contaminated soils on site and monitoring groundwater.

The Agency selected a $1.1 million remedy to control the spread of contamination in soil at the Western Sand & Gravel site in Burrillville. The remedy calls for capping contaminated soils and sludges at the site.

EPA Regional Administrator Michael R. Deland said, "These actions will protect public health and the environment, while providing a cost effective method of cleanup."

The Picillo cleanup plan consists of:

- Placing soils contaminated with phenols and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) in a landfill on site equipped with a double-layer impermeable (waterproof) bottom liner, a leachate collection system, a leak detection system, and covered with a layered impermeable cap. The cap will comply with EPA regulations for hazardous waste landfills under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).

- Grading and revegetating the site to channel rainwater off site and prevent erosion.
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- Fencing the site to limit public access.
- Monitoring groundwater around the facility.

If future groundwater monitoring indicates that existing residual groundwater contamination presents a risk to public health or the environment, EPA will undertake necessary additional actions at the Picillo site.

Three piles of contaminated soils were left at the site after previous emergency cleanups, one pile containing PCBs and two piles containing phenols.

EPA and the State of Rhode Island are jointly negotiating with potentially responsible parties to have them undertake the cleanup. If negotiations are unsuccessful, Superfund money may be used to fund the cleanup. EPA may later seek to recover costs from the potentially responsible parties. The Superfund law requires that if Superfund money is used, EPA funds the design and ninety percent of capital costs of construction. The State contributes ten percent of capital costs and is responsible for long-term operation and maintenance of the remedy.

EPA has consulted with the State concerning the cleanup plan. Like EPA, the State proposes that the phenol-contaminated soils be contained on site. However, the State does not concur with EPA's decision to also dispose of PCB-contaminated soil on site because such disposal violates State environmental regulations. EPA cannot use Superfund money to dispose of the PCB-contaminated soil off-site because the site does not meet criteria set under the Superfund law for off-site disposal. However, EPA does agree with the State that off-site disposal of the PCB pile, if done in accordance with EPA's off-site policy, would be equally protective of public health and the environment. The State is exploring other options for off-site disposal of the PCB pile.

Because Congress has not yet reauthorized the Superfund law, which expired September 30, EPA recently announced that all money for design and construction for Superfund site cleanups would be used instead for emergency cleanups and staff salaries. "There is every reason to believe that as soon as Congress acts, the funds that become available will be used for EPA's Picillo Farm project, if negotiations are unsuccessful," Regional Administrator Deland said.

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EPA’s Western Sand & Gravel decision was based on studies which evaluated the effectiveness of various remedial alternatives, including capping. The studies determined that because contaminated soil is at least four feet above the groundwater table, groundwater will not spread the contaminants from underneath the capped area and therefore recommended capping as an environmentally sound and cost effective method for remedying soil contamination at the site.

EPA has consulted with the State and they are in agreement with the choice of remedy for the Western Sand & Gravel site.

The cap would meet RCRA standards. In addition, the site will be graded, loamed, vegetated and fenced and groundwater will be monitored to insure adequacy of the cap.

EPA decided in September of 1984 to install a waterline and to gather necessary additional information on soil and groundwater contamination in order to determine the effectiveness of capping the site.

EPA is designing the waterline and finalizing selection of the water supply source.

A separate remedial investigation (RI) and feasibility study (FS) will be conducted to determine the nature and extent of groundwater contamination and to evaluate alternatives for groundwater cleanup.

EPA is negotiating with potentially responsible parties for payment of costs related to the site and performance of remedial action.

A public comment period on the capping proposal was held from August 16 to September 13, 1985.

The twelve acre site was a sand and gravel quarry. From 1975 to 1979, septage and liquid chemical wastes were dumped into unlined lagoons and pits. The wastes infiltrated through the soil and contaminated groundwater.

Drums of hazardous wastes and bulk wastes were illegally dumped in 1977 at the Picillo Farm site, an eight-acre area in Coventry, Rhode Island. In September 1977, an explosion and fire at the site brought the illegal dumping activities to the attention of State and Federal officials. A number of investigations and remedial activities have since been conducted at the site.

From 1983 to 1985, EPA and RI DEM conducted a study of the nature of contamination (remedial investigation) at the Picillo site and possible cleanup options (feasibility study). EPA held a public meeting in April and a public hearing in May to discuss
the results of the studies and cleanup options. A public comment period on the cleanup proposals was held from April 8 to May 15.

EPA's Record of Decision (ROD) for the Picillo site, which explains the cleanup plan and summarizes and responds to public comments on the cleanup options, is available for public review at the Coventry Town Hall/Library and the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, 75 Davis Street, 204 Cannon Building, Providence.

A copy of the Western Sand & Gravel ROD is available for review at the Burrillville and Slatersville Town Halls and at the RI DEM in Providence.
SUMMARY OF REMEDIAL ALTERNATIVE SELECTION

Picillo Farm Site
Coventry, Rhode Island

SITE LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

The Picillo Farm site is located in Coventry, Rhode Island, approximately 20 miles southwest of Providence and 1 mile southwest of the intersection of Route 102 and Perry Hill Road. The site coordinates are approximately 41° 41' 20" longitude and 71° 42' 45" latitude. The USGS map for the site is the Coventry Center, RI Quadrangle which was published in 1955 and photorevised in 1970.

The Town of Coventry, Rhode Island, based on a 1980 census (Rand McNally, 1980), has a total population of approximately 8,000 people. The site is located in a very rural area with approximately 30 to 40 dwellings within a 1 mile radius.

The disposal site consists of approximately 8.0 acres of cleared land which is surrounded by woodlands and wetlands and slopes to the northwest towards the Unnamed Swamp. A locus map of the site is presented in Figure 1. The Picillo Farm site was listed on the first Superfund National Priority List published in September, 1983.

SITE HISTORY

Drums containing hazardous wastes and bulk wastes were illegally disposed within an 8-acre area of the Picillo Farm over a period of months in 1977. A series of trenches -- the northeast trench, northwest trench, west trench, south trench, and two slit trenches, -- were used for this activity. In September 1977, an explosion and fire at the site brought the dumping activities to the attention of regulatory agencies.

Since September 1977, a number of investigations and remedial activities have been conducted at the site. During the Fall of 1979, the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RI DEM) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) contracted with Mitre Corporation of Bedford, Massachusetts, to study and recommend the best methods of cleanup for the site. Mitre conducted a hydrogeological assessment of the groundwater contamination, assessed the extent of wastes buried onsite and developed alternatives for short-term and long term remedial action. Upon receipt of the Mitre report, RI DEM contracted with Jetline
Corporation of Stoughton, Massachusetts to conduct cleanup activities. Excavation of the northeast trench began in September 1980, with the final barrel count reaching 2,314. The barrels were disposed of in an offsite landfill. Soils from the excavation activities, contaminated with PCB's and other organic contaminants, were stockpiled in the southeast corner of the site and designated the "PCB Pile."

In December 1980, EPA notified RI DEM it would pay for excavation costs of the northwest trench with money from the Clean Water Act 311 Fund. However, due to the unavailability of anticipated funds, RI DEM assumed funding for the excavation in March 1981 and contracted with Peabody Clean Industries. In June 1981, Peabody Clean Industries completed excavating the 4,500 barrels and the contaminated soils buried in the northwest trench. Shortly thereafter, EPA funded $250,000 for offsite disposal of the barrels and contaminated soils excavated from this trench.

In November of 1981, Ecology and Environment, Inc. (E&E) under contract to EPA, submitted a hydrogeologic report providing additional information on the Picillo site. The following February, EPA entered into a cooperative agreement with the State for a remedial work effort. In April 1982, under this agreement, the State contracted with O.H. Materials of Findlay, Ohio, for the removal of solid wastes. By May 1982, O.H. Materials's excavation of the west trench, south trench, and two slit trenches had resulted in the removal and offsite disposal of 3,300 barrels. Contaminated soils from this excavation were placed in two stockpiles at the south end and near the center of the site. Because of high concentrations of phenols (e.g. 870 ppm) discovered in the soils, these two piles have been designated the first and second phenol piles. (The second phenol pile has also been referred to as the Phase III pile in the Feasibility Study). This effort completed the removal of buried drums at the site as identified in the previous studies conducted by Mitre Corporation. Exploratory excavations were conducted, to confirm Mitre's findings and no additional drums were discovered.

In September 1982, O.H. Materials began land farming the first phenol waste pile and decreased the phenol concentration from approximately 870 ppm to 60 ppm. Pilot studies conducted on the biodegradation of the PCB contaminated soils, using commercially available microbes, proved to be unsuccessful. In February 1983, RI DEM contracted the team of Tighe & Bond/SCI, Leggette, Brashears & Graham, Inc. and Ecological Analysts, Inc. through the cooperative agreement with EPA. They were tasked to perform final field investigative studies and to recommend a cost-effective groundwater discharge, treatment, and recharge system to mitigate contaminated groundwater originating at the site.
EPA, with expert assistance from GCA, reviewed the draft Tighe & Bond report and concluded that more work was required to establish the types, amounts and disposition of wastes which remain at the site. Additionally, EPA concluded that more work was needed to determine the extent of source release and to profile the groundwater/surface water contaminant plume. GCA's findings were submitted in a report to EPA in September 1983. Subsequently, EPA directed GCA to performed an Endangerment Assessment to characterize the type and extent of contaminants found at the Picillo site (both onsite and offsite) and assess their associated hazards. A summary of the report was presented to the public in June, 1984. In July 1984, GCA was tasked by EPA to conduct an engineering feasibility study addressing the threat defined in the Endangerment Assessment. This study was designed to follow recent EPA RI/FS guidance and to respond to EPA policy concerning appropriate responses at hazardous waste sites.

The feasibility study was completed and presented to the public in April 1985. EPA held a public hearing on the RI/FS and closed out the public comment period on May 15, 1985.

CURRENT SITE STATUS

Onsite Contamination - Present site features are illustrated in Figure 2. At this time the site is ungraded and unvegetated with some areas of the site having undergone erosion. There are three contaminated soil piles within the site boundaries -- the PCB, first phenol and second phenol (Phase III) soil stockpiles. A complete list of hazardous substances identified in the three soil piles is presented in Volume III, Appendix B of the Endangerment Assessment and Feasibility Study. The PCB soil stockpile is approximately 3,500 yd$^3$ in volume and is located in the Northeast corner of the site. The pile has been extensively sampled on numerous occasions. The most recent sampling, conducted in February 1984, showed PCB concentrations ranging from "not detected" to 180 ppm (Table 1). Levels of contamination were not uniformly distributed such that the pile could be segregated. Volatile organics are also present in the soils at concentrations in the high ppb range (Table 2). The PCB pile is covered with a thin plastic liner to minimize fugitive dust and infiltration; this liner, however, has been badly damaged by the weather. Similarly, a synthetic liner underlying the pile is thought to be ruptured as a result of sampling activities.

The first phenol stockpile is approximately 2,000 yd$^3$ and is located in the north end of the site adjacent to the PCB pile. This stockpile has undergone biological treatment which has reduced phenol concentrations from approximately 870 to 60 ppm. The contaminated soil is uncapped in the land treatment impoundment.
The second phenol (Phase III) pile is a stockpile of contaminated soil excavated from the drum staging area and is uncovered and unlined. The amount of soil present in this phenol pile has been estimated at 1,000 yd$^3$ and is located approximately in the center of the site. These soils are contaminated with relatively low levels of volatile organics and high levels of phenols. Soil samples analyzed for contaminants indicate the presence of tetrachloroethylene (290 ppb), xylene (7080 ppb) and ethylbenzene (455 ppb). Recent sampling by RI DEM indicates the presence of 3430 ppm of phenol and 15,800 ppm of bis (z-ethylhexyl) phthalate.

Offsite Contamination - Ground and surface water samples collected from 1979 to the present indicate that a considerable quantity of pollutants, mainly volatile organic compounds, have been released into the local groundwater and continue to migrate downgradient from the site. Two plumes of contaminated groundwater associated with the Picillo site, have been identified -- the northwest and southwest plumes. Groundwater in the northwest plume discharges to the Unnamed Swamp which empties into Whitford Pond. The southwest plume discharges to Great Cedar Swamp, which discharges to Great Grass Pond. Table 3 is a summary of organic priority pollutant compounds detected in the groundwater. A complete list of hazardous substances identified in the groundwater is presented in Volume III, Appendix C of the Endangerment Assessment and Feasibility Study.

Risk Assessment - As presented in the Endangerment Assessment and Feasibility Study (Volume III, Appendix B and Appendix C), a substantial concentration of hazardous substances remain at or near the area where they were originally located and due to inadequate barriers are continuing to migrate offsite via groundwater contamination. There are four environmental media through which people can potentially come into contact with the aforementioned remaining hazardous wastes at the Picillo site; soils, groundwater, surface water and air.

The major exposure route of concern for people and animals residing near the Picillo site is direct contact with contaminated soils or wastes. Although there is presently a 24-hour guard stationed at the site, this level of security cannot be cost-effectively maintained. Since there are low-level PCB's as well as phenols and volatile organics present in the stockpiles direct contact is an important possible route of exposure, especially for children and animals. Should repeated contact with the PCB pile occur, there is the potential for skin adsorption of PCBs and an increased carcinogenic risk to receptors. Phenols are skin irritants and prolonged and repeated exposure to these soils may result in irritation and cracking of skin. Ingestion of contaminated soils is unlikely because the population that would realistically
have access to the site would consist of teenagers and young adults; hikers, bike riders, etc., who are not likely to ingest soil. However, in the unlikely event that ingestion should occur, concentrations of PCBs and phenols are well above allowable concentrations based on EPA Water Quality Criteria (45 FR 79318-79379, November 28, 1980).

In addition to the risks associated with direct contact or ingestion of contaminated soils, protecting groundwater as a future water supply is of concern; even though groundwater originating at the site is not presently being used as a drinking water supply. Leachate containing organic chemical contaminants from the three soil stockpiles is expected to be a continued source of groundwater contamination at the site. Table 5 presents data for contaminants present in soils and leachate at the Picillo site. Contaminants present in the ground water at the Picillo site are presented in Table 2. Concentrations of many of the contaminants in the groundwater are above Ambient Water Quality Criteria corresponding to an increased cancer risk to humans of one in one million (45 FR 79318-79379, November 28, 1980).

There is no present risk associated with the ingestion of surface water impacted by contaminants originating at the Picillo site since surface waters in the area are not currently used as potable water supplies. Surface waters in the area that could potentially be used as a water supply include Whitford Pond and Great Grass Pond. Contaminants present at the inlet to Whitford Pond are extremely low (Table 6) and are not expected to pose a risk to its potential use as a water supply considering dilution effects in the Pond. No contamination has been detected in Great Grass Pond or the outlet to Whitford Pond. As has occurred in the past, it is expected that most of the contaminated groundwater will discharge to the swamps which act as an effective hydrological barrier minimizing contaminant migration into Whitford or Great Grass Ponds. Similarly, no risk exists from the possibility that people may come into contact with the waters of Whitford Pond or Great Grass Pond through swimming, boating, fishing (and fish consumption), or other water recreation.

Also, because the maximum concentration of chemicals recorded in the Ponds are extremely low (or not detected) and have low bioconcentration factors, fish are not expected to become contaminated to levels that would pose a risk from ingestion. Thus ingestion of fish from the Pond is not an exposure route of concern (Table 7).

Besides Whitford Pond and Great Grass Pond, the other surface waters in the area include the Unnamed Swamp and Great Cedar Swamp. The potential of harm to nearby residents who come into contact with soils, sediments or water in the swamps must be weighed against the probability of people gaining access to these areas. Aerial photographs of the site show dense vegetation;
investigation teams have also reported difficulty accessing some areas of the swamps. In the unlikely event a child, adult, or dog were to fall into the swamp, exposure would be of short-duration to relatively low levels of chemicals, in most cases lower than 1ppm. Additionally, a person would be expected to bathe as soon as possible after falling into the Swamp. The risk assessment concludes that contact exposure to the low levels of contaminants in the Swamp for short periods of time is not suspected to present health risks. As such, the risk to direct contact exposure with the Swamp is not expected to pose a health threat.

Plant and animal life in the marshes and ponds are at risk of exposure to contaminants leaving the Picillo site via groundwater. Because of low concentration of contaminants in the ponds, however, the effects on aquatic life in the ponds is expected to be minimal. The Unnamed and Great Cedar Swamp habitats have both received contamination from the site and will continue to do so as contaminated groundwater from the site discharges to both swamps. During the highest releases to the swamps, some acute or chronic toxicity to swamp organisms may have occurred (Table 3). As concentrations in the swamp continue to decrease, the impact to the swamp is expected to decrease; the availability of a large amount of similar habitat in the region should allow speedy recolonization and recovery.

People living near the site may also be exposed to contaminants in the air since volatilization of chemicals is expected to occur at a soil:air or water:air interface. Distinct chemical odors are present at the Picillo site and in the Unnamed Swamp. Nearby neighbors have voiced complaints concerning these odors during past clean up activities. However, there is little potential for continued volatilization of chemicals from the waste disposal soils since there is only a limited amount of exposed volatile organics at the site. Volatilization from the groundwater discharge areas in the swamps, however, may be a source of airborne organics under certain meteorologic conditions. This exposure route was evaluated in the Endangerment Assessment and determined not to pose a risk to public health. Air modeling for organics detected in the Unnamed Swamp was performed to predict potential downwind concentrations under worst case conditions (Table 4). Predicted levels corresponded with levels detected in 1982 during excavation of barrels. These values, which are at least three orders of magnitude lower than threshold limit values (TLV) levels set to protect workers, represent worst case conditions which will not be duplicated since contaminant levels in the swamp are continuously decreasing. However, odors may continue to exist thus posing a welfare concern.
A number of potentially responsible parties (PRPs) have been identified for the Picillo site. Notice letters were originally sent to ten potentially responsible parties (PRPs) on December 15, 1981, and to an additional twenty PRPs on January 20, 1982. Follow-up notice letters were sent to a number of the PRPs on April 12, 1983 and again on April 17, 1985.

Information requests were sent to different generators on a number of occasions. A total of seventy requests were sent between July 22, 1982, and August 5, 1983.

On Friday, May 3, 1985, EPA met with the potentially responsible parties to begin the negotiating process. The EPA informed the PRPs that it was seeking their comments on the RI/FS and established the following negotiating schedule:

- **May 15, 1985** - public hearing on the RI/FS and close of the public comment period. The State also informed the EPA and PRPs they would state their position on this date.

- **July 15, 1985** - Final day for PRPs to make known their willingness to participate in negotiation. This date begins the 60 day formal negotiating period.

- **September 1, 1985** - completion of the 60 day negotiating period.

Comments were received from the generator PRPs at the May 15, 1985, public hearing. The PRPs generally concur with the offsite remedial analysis in the feasibility study and endorse the offsite alternative of No Action.

The PRPs do not concur with the onsite recommended alternative and feel the hypothetical "realistic worst case" used in developing the feasibility study is unrealistic. They consider the only risk to be from repeated direct contact with the "PCB pile" and that no risk exists from the "phenol piles". Therefore, they recommend the PCB pile be enclosed with a secure fence and possibly capped with an earth cover seeded with thickets, thorns and poison ivy. The PRPs contend the recommended alternative of onsite disposal in a RCRA/TSCA landfill, presented in the feasibility study, is excessive based on the risks that exist at the site. EPA's response to comments received from the PRPs can be found in the attached Responsiveness Summary.
On May 22, 1985, Rhode Island informed EPA of its desire to conduct joint negotiations. EPA and Rhode Island held a meeting with the PRPs on July 19, 1985. Negotiations are presently continuing with the PRPs and the Agency is hopeful that a settlement can be reached that is acceptable to both EPA and the State.

CONSISTENCY WITH OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS

Although onsite remedies implemented under CERCLA are exempt from compliance with other environmental laws, one measure used by EPA in determining whether remedial alternatives at Superfund sites adequately meets the CERCLA test of protecting public health, welfare, or the environment is whether the alternative attains the substantive provisions of other applicable federal public health and environmental standards. In assessing the technical adequacy of each proposed landfill design at the Picillo site the agency has used as guidelines the minimum technology requirements outlined under TSCA and RCRA.*/ Onsite disposal of the contaminated soils in a RCRA/TSCA landfill complies with all federal regulations with one exception. That exception is that the bottom of the landfill liner system would not be at least 50 feet from the historical high watertable, as required by 40 CFR 761.75 (b)(3). It is estimated in the feasibility study that the bottom liner would be approximately 10-15 feet above the seasonably high ground water table. Under 40 CFR 761.75 (c)(4) a waiver from a TSCA landfill requirement can be granted provided the landfill will not present any unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment from PCBs.

In determining whether the onsite remedy meets the CERCLA test of being adequately protective of the public health, welfare, or the environment, the Agency considered the TSCA fifty foot requirement and has determined the onsite landfill would be adequately protective without this requirement being met. A layered impermeable cap would prevent human contact with wastes

*/ RCRA standards for hazardous waste disposal facilities are listed under 40 CFR Part 264. The requirements a RCRA facility must meet are outlined in 40 CFR 264 Subpart N and the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984 (Section 3004 (0) Minimum Technological Requirements). Alternative SC-2 (offsite disposal of PCB and phenol soils in a RCRA/TSCA Landfill) and alternatives SC-5 (onsite disposal of PCB and phenol soils in a RCRA/TSCA Landfill) are the only alternatives considered to be consistent with these requirements.
and minimize infiltration into the landfill. An impermeable double bottom liner with a leachate collection system and leak detection system will protect against contaminant migration. Any leachate which may be generated will be collected for proper disposal.

State hazardous waste regulations prohibit the landfilling of "extremely hazardous waste" in the State, unless a variance is granted. Soils with PCB levels in excess of 50 ppm are considered extremely hazardous waste by the State, as a result, compliance with State law would require obtaining a variance before the PCB soils could be landfilled onsite. The State position is they are unwilling to grant such a variance. Similarly, the Town of Coventry has indicated that locating a landfill at the Picillo Farm site would be in violation of a local zoning ordinance. As stated, EPA legally is exempt from other laws' requirements, including State and local laws, in selecting onsite remedies at Superfund sites. EPA has determined that despite these State and local laws an onsite landfill would be adequately protective of public health, welfare and the environment.

ALTERNATIVES EVALUATION

Source Control Remedial Alternatives

Onsite sources of contamination have been divided into two operable units:

(1) PCB soils

(2) Phenol soils

As identified in the National Contingency Plan 40 CFR 300.68 (j), the objective of the evaluation of alternatives is to select the "lowest cost alternative that is technologically feasible and reliable and which effectively mitigate and minimizes damage to and provides adequate protection of public health, welfare or the environment."

The following criteria, as set forth in the NCP (40 CFR 300.68 (e)(2)), were assessed in determining appropriate source control remedial action alternatives:

(i) The extent to which substances pose a danger to public health, welfare or the environment.

(ii) The extent to which substances have migrated or are contained by either natural or man-made barriers.
(iii) The experiences and approaches used in similar situations by State and Federal agencies and private parties.

(iv) Environmental effects and welfare concerns.

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The No Action alternative does not meet the VCP test for cost-effectiveness in that it would not effectively mitigate or minimize damage to and provide adequate protection of public health, welfare or the environment. None of the site specific objectives necessary to protect public health, welfare or the environment, developed from the risk assessment, would be obtained. Humans and animals could have direct contact with the wastes. Offsite migration of the wastes would be possible via groundwater contamination, erosion of contaminated soils, and fugitive air emissions.

Alternative SC-2 involves disposal of PCB and phenol contaminated soils in an offsite RCRA/TSCA landfill. Since the source would essentially be removed, offsite disposal of the contaminated soils would provide adequate protection of public health, welfare and the environment. However, the availability of RCRA/TSCA (Annex II) landfill capacity is limited and offsite disposal would use this valuable capacity without creating new capacity elsewhere. In addition, the present worth costs for onsite disposal in a RCRA/TSCA landfill, which EPA considers equally protective of public health, welfare, and the environment, are approximately 50% of costs associated with alternatives involving offsite disposal. Because alternative SC-2 does not meet any of the three Section 101(24) criteria for offsite remedies, EPA legally may not use the Fund for such an alternative. EPA, however, has no objection to another party disposing of the PCB pile offsite in a RCRA/TSCA landfill.

Alternative SC-3 involves disposing of the PCB contaminated soils in an offsite RCRA/TSCA landfill and disposal of the phenol contaminated soils in an onsite RCRA/TSCA landfill. EPA considers this alternative adequately protective of public health, welfare or the environment. However, since onsite disposal in a RCRA/TSCA landfill (SC-5) is less costly and equally protective of public health, welfare and the environment, the EPA considers it more cost effective than alternative SC-3.

Alternative SC-4 involves disposal of PCB contaminated soils offsite in a RCRA/TSCA landfill and disposal of phenol contaminated soils onsite in a cap only landfill. The proposed cap design is presented in Figure 4. The cap only landfill for the phenol contaminated soils would not meet Federal guidance used to assess the minimum technology requirements necessary to protect public health and the environment (40 CFR 264). Also the cap only landfill would not adequately mitigate the public health, welfare and environmental threats posed by the site as outlined in the risk assessment. In particular, it would not mitigate the threat of contaminants migrating offsite via groundwater without a bottom liner, leachate collection system and leak detection system. If there were a failure in the cap, organic chemicals contaminants could possibly migrate offsite undetected via leachate generation.
Alternative SC-5, which involves onsite disposal of the PCB and phenol contaminated soils in a RCRA/TSCA landfill, will provide adequate protection of public health, welfare and the environment. Construction of the RCRA/TSCA landfill involves well known construction techniques. The technology employed can be implemented in a reasonable time and will have a long useful life. This alternative meets the minimum technology requirement to protect public health and the environment as outlined under TSCA and RCRA. The agency used these requirements as guidelines in assessing whether the proposed landfill design is adequate to protect public health, welfare and the environment. A schematic of a typical RCRA/TSCA landfill is presented in Figure 3. A layered impermeable cap would prevent human contact with wastes and minimize or eliminate infiltration into the landfill. An impermeable double bottom liner with a leachate collection system and leak detection system will protect against contaminant migration. Any leachate which may be generated will be collected for proper disposal. Without the bottom liner, leachate collection system and leak detection system, if there were a failure in the cap, organic chemical contaminants could possibly migrate offsite undetected via leachate generation.

Alternative SC-6 involves onsite disposal of the PCB contaminated soils in a RCRA/TSCA landfill and onsite disposal of the phenol contaminated soils in a cap only landfill. As with alternative SC-4, a cap only landfill for the phenol contaminated soils does not adequately protect public health, welfare and the environment from offsite migration of contaminants via groundwater. Additionally, this alternative already involves the construction of a RCRA/TSCA landfill onsite for the PCB contaminated soils which is more protective of public health, welfare and the environment. The costs of placing the phenol contaminated soils in this landfill are approximately the same as building a separate cap-only phenol landfill since significant additional excavation would be necessary to prepare the phenol contaminated soils for a cap.

All of the alternatives being considered (excluding no action) would be followed by appropriate site closure and postclosure activities. Closure and post closure activities will include filling, grading, fencing, revegetating and mowing the site. Alternatives involving an onsite landfill would also require installing a runon/runoff control system, implementing a ground water monitoring program, and performing any necessary repairs to the landfill that may be required. Additionally, all appropriate mitigation measures to minimize airbourne contaminants during construction will be implemented.

A number of alternative technologies were considered in the development of the remedial alternatives. These alternatives underwent an initial screening process based on 40 CFR 300.68(h) of the NCP. Alternatives were eliminated if they would not mitigate identified public health or environmental threats, were technologically infeasible or would not provide substantially greater public health or environmental benefits compared to less costly alternatives.
Technologies that were considered and excluded from further consideration include solidification of the PCB and phenol waste piles, permeable and impermeable capping of the PCB waste pile, permeable capping of the phenol waste pile, biological treatment of the phenol waste pile, onsite incineration of the PCB and phenol waste piles and offsite incineration of the PCB and phenol waste piles.

Solidification of the waste piles was eliminated for the following reasons: (1) it would not provide no substantially greater public health or environmental benefits compared to less expensive alternatives, (2) the questionable effectiveness of the technology for organic compounds, (3) the 400 percent increase in waste volume and resultant onsite disposal needs, (4) the concern that the solidified mass will degrade and not provide long-term environmental and public health protection.

Both permeable and impermeable capping of the PCB contaminated soils and permeable capping of the phenol contaminated soils were eliminated because they would not effectively mitigate identified public health and the environmental threats determined from the risk assessment. Without a bottom liner leak detection and leachate collection system, contaminants could possibly migrate offsite undetected via leachate generation. These alternatives would not meet minimum technology requirements under RCRA (40 CFR 264 Subpart N and the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984), which were considered in assessing the technical adequacy of the landfill design.

Biological treatment of the phenol contaminated soils was eliminated based on lack of effectiveness. Although biodegradation significantly decreased the concentration of phenol contamination (870 to 60 ppm) in the 2000 yd$^3$ phenol pile, based on the risk assessment it was not effective in rendering the pile non hazardous. Therefore, this alternative is not considered adequately protective under CERCLA.

Initially (July 1984), both onsite and offsite incineration were eliminated for the PCB and phenol soils due to the high cost and environmental problems associated with mobile incineration of the PCB soils. Due to public comments, State comments and technology developments EPA reevaluated incineration as a remedial alternative for the PCB contaminated soils.

The estimated cost associated with offsite incineration of the PCB contaminated soils and landfilling of the remaining phenol contaminated soils are $8,689,000 (plus an undetermined cost of packaging the soils in 55 gallon drums). EPA has eliminated offsite incineration since it would not provide substantially greater public health or environmental benefits compared to less costly alternatives, particularly considering the relatively low levels of PCBs that are present.
Technology advances since EPA originally considered onsite incineration of the PCB contaminated soils have made this alternative somewhat more attractive than when it was initially eliminated. The EPA has recently completed a test burn for dioxin contaminated soils and achieved six nines efficiency (i.e. 99.9999%). It is doubtful, however, the unit will be available for the Picillo site in the foreseeable future because of prior commitments at other sites. A commercial mobile incinerator has also been located that has successfully incinerated contaminated soils. The operators, however, do not presently hold a TSCA permit, although a test burn for dioxin and PCB contaminated soils is scheduled for the summer of 1985. Although a TSCA permit isn't required to incinerate at a Superfund site, the Agency would use the TSCA requirements as guidance in assuring the incinerator is adequately protective of public health, welfare and the environment. It is known that the incomplete incineration of PCBs can result in such toxic pollutants as dioxin, however, the mobile hazardous waste incineration units are designed to minimize hazardous emissions. The incinerators being considered provide long dwell times and high temperatures. In addition, the units are equipped with extensive pollution control equipment and emission monitoring equipment. Nonetheless, an actual test burn of PCB contaminated soil is necessary to demonstrate that hazardous emissions are not being generated.

There is a great deal of variance in the projected costs for onsite incineration. EPA cost estimates for incineration of just the PCB contaminated soils, onsite landfilling of the phenol soils, and site closure are $6,585,000. These costs are based on present operating experience of PCB soil incineration allowing for a minimal amount of down time (20%). A more conservative cost estimate based on 50% down time result in an estimate of $9,615,000. The only lower cost estimate EPA obtained was from a commercial mobile incinerator, which estimated the costs to be $3,000,000 for the same scenario. However, these costs were not based on actual experience with burning PCB contaminated soils and did not specifically consider down time, therefore, they are not reliable. The commercial incinerator has not completed a test burn for PCB contaminated soils and were basing these estimates on non PCB contaminated soils. The additional cost associated with sustaining a higher burn temperature, as well as the additional fuel required to sustain incineration at all with low level contaminated soils, could result in a significant increase in these costs. As with offsite incineration, EPA has eliminated onsite incineration since it would provide no substantially greater public health, welfare, or the environmental benefits compared to less costly alternatives, particularly considering the relatively low levels of PCBs that are present.
Offsite Response Alternatives Evaluation

The following criteria, as set forth in the NCP (40 CFR 300.68(e)(3)), were assessed in evaluating offsite remedial action alternatives:

(i) Contribution of the contamination to air, land, or water pollution problem.

(ii) The extent to which the substances have migrated or are expected to migrate from the area of their original location and whether continued migration may pose a danger to public health, welfare or environment.

(iii) The extent to which natural or man-made barriers currently contain the hazardous substances and the adequacy of the barriers.

(iv) The extent to which substances pose a danger to public health, welfare, or the environment.

(v) Environmental effects and approaches used in similar situations by State and Federal agencies and private parties.

(vi) Environmental effects and welfare concerns.

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As the title implies, the No Action alternative, OS-1 precludes any remedial activity. This alternative would provide no active cleanup of ground and surface water.

Similar to No Action, Limited Action proposes no active cleanup of ground and surface water. It differs from No Action in that additional groundwater wells would be installed and a ground and surface water monitoring program implemented to establish risk-based standards for groundwater that are protective of public health, welfare and the environment. This approach is based on groundwater protection requirements under RCRA necessary to
protect public health and the environment (40 CFR 264, Subpart F and the 1984 RCRA Amendments). EPA would use these requirements as guidelines in determining what contaminant levels in the groundwater must be attained to be adequately protective under CERCLA. A final determination on groundwater contamination would be made after these risk-based standards are established and assessed.

The third alternative OS-3 involves recovery of groundwater, treatment, and subsequent discharge to the Unnamed Swamp. This alternative would be technically difficult to implement since locating the recovery wells or recovery drains in an area of high contamination and high yield would involve a significant amount of exploratory work. This alternative may also have an adverse effect on the wetlands by lowering the levels in the Unnamed Swamp or Great Grass Swamp during groundwater recovery. Frequent monitoring and upgrading of the recovery system may also be required. The groundwater treatment system would involve air stripping, vapor recovery, pH adjustment, sand filtration, carbon adsorption, and vacuum filtration of sludges. This treatment system is relatively complex and will require a high level of operation and maintenance; however, it will be highly effective at removing contaminants in the effluent such as acetone, methylene chloride and methyl ethyl ketone (MEK).

A determination regarding the need of implementing this alternative to protect the public health, welfare or environment cannot be made until risk-based standards for groundwater are established.

RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE

Section 300.68(j) of the National Contingency Plan (NCP) [47 FR 31180, July 16, 1982] states that the appropriate extent of remedy shall be determined by the lead agency's selection of the remedial alternative which the agency determines is cost-effective (i.e. the lowest cost alternative that is technically feasible and reliable and which effectively mitigates and minimizes damage to and provides adequate protection of public health, welfare, or the environment).

EPA has determined the cost-effective source control alternative to be SC-5 which involves landfillsing the PCB and phenol contaminated soils onsite in a RCRA/TSCA impoundment. The recommended source control alternative also involves site closure and post closure activities including filling, grading, and revegetating the site, installing a runon/runoff control system, groundwater monitoring, mowing, fence installation and any future repairs that may be required. As noted above, this remedy complies with all other environmental laws except the TSCA 50 foot rule, the State's rule against landfillsing PCBs within the State (which is
based on the TSCA rule, and the local ordinance prohibiting landfills. EPA has considered the fact that the proposed remedy does not comply with these existing requirements but has determined that, nevertheless, it is adequately protective of public health, welfare and the environment.

The recommended remedy will not eliminate the residual groundwater contamination at the site. In addition to this remedy, however, EPA will implement a groundwater and surface water monitoring program and establish risk based standards that are protective of public health, welfare and the environment (i.e. limited action). Based on this information, if additional remedial actions are determined to be necessary, a Record of Decision will be prepared for approval of the future actions.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The affected community has a long history of interest and involvement in this site which began shortly after the site was discovered in 1977.

A local citizens group SAVE OUR WATER (SOW) has been actively involved since removal activities began in 1980. Until recently, public opinion of EPA and Rhode Island DEM has been poor with citizen groups charging the two agencies with "dragging their feet by studying the site to death" and concern over the lack of visible action to cleanup the site. Recently, EPA and RI DEM have made extensive attempts to involve the public and this effort has been widely applauded by the public and has regained some community confidence.

Community concerns are focused in two areas:

(1) Concern that that contaminated soils will be left on-site. The local citizens feel strongly that all the contaminated soil be disposed offsite.

(2) Concern that contaminated groundwater could ultimately affect the Quidnick Reservoir. Contamination of Quidnick Reservoir is not seen as a possibility even in the absence of remedial action. The citizens still favor the pump and treat offsite (OS-3) remedial alternative.

EFFECT OF SOURCE CONTROL ALTERNATIVES ON WETLANDS

The Picillo Farm disposal site consists of approximately 8.0 acres of cleared land near the top of a glacial deposit. Although the site is not located in wetlands the surrounding lowlands are comprised of wetlands. Assessment of the hydrogeologic data available for the site indicates that contaminated ground water
The Picillo Farm site is located in Coventry, Rhode Island, approximately 20 miles southwest of Providence. Drums containing hazardous wastes and bulk wastes were illegally disposed within an 8-acre area of the Picillo Farm over a period of months in 1977. A series of trenches—the northwest trench, northeast trench, west trench, south trench, and two slit trenches—were used for this activity. In September 1977, an explosion and fire at the site brought the dumping activities to the attention of regulatory agencies. Since September 1977, a number of investigations and remedial activities have been conducted at the site. PCBs, organics, and phenols were identified in onsite soil.

The selected remedial action includes: disposal of approximately 3,500 cubic yards of primarily PCB contaminated soils and disposal of approximately 3,000 cubic yards of primarily phenol contaminated soils onsite in a RCRA/TSCA landfill; and implementation of site closure activities. Total capital cost for the selected remedial alternative is estimated to be $841,600 with O&M costs approximately $12,120 for the first year, $25,648 for years 2-4 and $19,048 for years 5-30 (with the exception of year 16 at $34,048). The recommended remedy will not eliminate the residual ground water at the site. In addition to this remedy, however, EPA will implement a ground water and surface water monitoring program and establish risk based standards that are protective of public health, welfare and the environment. If additional remedial actions are determined to be necessary, a Record of Decision will be prepared.
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PERFORMANCE STANDARDS OR GOALS: Not specified.

INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS: N/A

COMMENTS: RCRA/TSCA Onsite Landfill—Contaminated soil will be disposed of in an onsite landfill consisting of an impermeable double bottom liner with a leachate collection and leak detection system that will protect against contaminant migration.

KEYWORDS: Excavation; Ground Water; Ground Water Monitoring; Inorganics; Leachate Collection/Treatment; Onsite Disposal; Organics; PCBs; Phenols; RCRA Landfill Specifications; RCRA Onsite Disposal Requirements; Risk Level; Tetrachloroethylene (PCE); TSCA Onsite Disposal Requirements; VOCs.
DATE: October 3, 1985

SUBJ: Final Record of Decision for the Picillo Superfund Site.

FROM: John Rendall, Site Manager

TO: Reviewers of the Record of Decision for the Picillo Superfund Site.

Attached are copies of the press release, Final Record of Decision (ROD), Summary of Remedial Alternative Selection and Responsiveness Summary for the Picillo Superfund Site. Thank you for your support in the development of these documents. Should you have any further questions, please contact me at 223-1942.

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from the site is discharging into the Unnamed Swamp and Great Cedar Swamp. Present and future impacts on surface water and ground water in the swamp are expected to be less than those measured between February 1979 and July 1981 which resulted from bulk dumping practices. Table 8 provides a comparison of the levels of contaminants found in the swamp to available acute and chronic toxicity data.

The Endangerment Assessment for the Picillo site contains a review of relevent site and chemical characteristics that could pose risks to public health, welfare, or the environment, and an evaluation of those risks. Remedial response objectives were developed from this assessment and used to identify source control remedial alternatives. For the purpose of this discussion the pertinent source control remedial response objectives used in selecting the source control alternatives are:

(1) Remedial actions should preclude the infiltration of soil contaminants into the underlying groundwater.

(2) A groundwater monitoring program will be implemented which is in conformance with the technical requirements of RCRA Part F--Ground Water Protection.

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Implementation of the source control alternatives would not take place in or adversely affect a floodplain or wetland. The source control alternative is designed to preclude the offsite migration of contaminants to the wetlands. Closure activities will in part include grading and revegetating the site. As a result, the source control alternative would have the consequence of not impacting the wetlands at all, but rather preventing offsite migration of contaminants to the Unnamed Swamp.

**OPERATION and MAINTENANCE**

A number of post closure operation and maintenance (O&M) activities will be required at the site. Operation and maintenance activities associated with the source control remedy (OS-5 onsite disposal in a RCRA/TSCA landfill) include mowing, revegetation, annual inspection,
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Operation and Maintenance activities will be considered part of the approved action and eligible for Trust Fund Monies for a period of one year from the completion of remedial actions.

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**FUTURE ACTIONS**

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To develop these risk based standards the Agency will use an approach based on the groundwater monitoring and corrective action standard (40 CFR 264, Subpart F and the 1984 RCRA Amendments). The RCRA groundwater regulations require the setting of groundwater protection standards, which are levels that are protective of human health and the environment. Corrective action is required if these levels are exceeded. The groundwater protection standards of RCRA require that certain contamination levels be attained: background levels, maximum contaminant levels (MCL's) or alternate concentration limits (ACL's). ACL's are site specific levels that are demonstrated to be protective of human health and the environment. Using this approach, the Agency will establish risk based standards for the groundwater that are protective of public health, welfare and the environment.

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Introduction

This responsiveness summary for the Picillo Farm Site documents concerns raised during the Superfund remedial planning process and the public comment period on the feasibility study, and how EPA considered and responded to these concerns.

Activities Conducted Prior to the Feasibility Study Comment Period

Before 1981, most community relations activities were conducted informally by the State. Official interaction with the community was conducted through the Town Council and later also with Save Our Water (SOW), formed by area residents in 1980. SOW became the primary group representing concerned citizens and became an important point of contact between the community and involved agencies.

A Community Relations Plan (CRP) was drafted in December 1981 by ICF, Inc., for use during removal actions at the site. This CRP was revised by the State in June 1982 to accompany the cooperative agreement, signed in February 1982. Written and verbal updates on site activities were issued periodically by the State to concerned citizens.

In April 1984, EPA and the State conducted interviews with town officials and several concerned citizens. These interviews were followed by a public meeting, held on May 7, 1984, which was organized by SOW. Approximately 30 citizens attended this meeting. A second public meeting was held by EPA in June 1984 to present the results of the remedial investigation and the initial endangerment assessment. Information obtained from these interviews and public meetings was used by EPA and the State to update the CRP in October 1984. An expanded mailing list of interested parties was developed during the CRP revision.

Concerns Raised Prior to the Feasibility Study Comment Period

The predominant concern voiced by members of the community was over potential health effects to area residents as a result of air emissions, groundwater contamination and general offsite migration of contaminants. Citizens expressed fear that drinking water supplies could become contaminated and that odors emitted from the site were toxic.

A major concern was over the lengthy process of remediating site conditions and a perception from citizens that EPA and the State failed to communicate to the community adequately during remedial activities. The status and fate of soils contaminated with PCBs was of great concern to residents.

Another major concern cited by area residents regarded the future ownership of the site property. Many citizens expressed concern that the Picillo family would retain ownership of the land and use it in the future. Citizens requested that the government -- local, State, or Federal -- take control of the land.
Additional concerns were voiced about the effects of fractured bedrock on groundwater plume migration and the effects of contamination on the unnamed swamp, private wells, the Quidnick Reservoir, the proposed Big River Reservoir Project and nearby cranberry bogs.

Agency Response to Concerns Raised Prior to the Feasibility Study Comment Period

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COMMUNITY CONCERN

RESPONSE

1. Onsite Disposal

Generally oppose disposing of PCB and phenol contaminated soils on site. No long-term security; breakdown of landfill could result in contamination of drinking water. It is the Coventry Town Council's policy that all hazardous waste should be removed from the site and stored at a TSCA approved landfill. As long as offsite storage is available, it should be used. Leaving waste onsite will present risk of human contact. Could also affect the proposed Big River Reservoir Project and the Moosup River watershed. Storage of contaminants onsite is unacceptable and illegal. Fractured bedrock at site makes it inappropriate for onsite disposal; site is also close to an earthquake zone; leakage could contaminate groundwater. Should be cheaper to truck contaminants offsite to an existing landfill than to build a new one in Coventry. Rodents could chew through lining of landfill; presents hazard from onsite disposal. Problem has existed for six or seven years; site should have precedence over sites in Massachusetts for the removal and disposal of PCBs off site. Should make Picillo Farm a model of hazardous waste cleanup by removing all contaminated materials from the site. Job started before should be finished now.

Onsite disposal of the PCB pile is expected to be a safe and reliable remedial action for disposal of the PCB and phenol contaminated soils for the following reasons:

- A layered impermeable cap will prevent human contact with wastes and minimize or eliminate infiltration into the landfill.

- An impermeable double bottom liner with a leachate collection system and leak detection system will protect against contaminant migration.

- Site closure activities including providing runon/runoff controls, regrading and revegetating the site, and limiting access with a fence will reduce erosion and assure the long term integrity of the landfill.

- A long term groundwater monitoring program will be implemented to monitor groundwater quality.
COMMUNITY CONCERN

RESPONSE

1. **Onsite Disposal (continued)**

Creating a landfill at the Picillo Farm Site is in violation of the Town of Coventry Zoning Ordinance. Creating a landfill for the disposal of PCBs on site would violate TSCA requirements that groundwater be more than 50 feet from landfill. State regulations prohibit the construction of a PCB landfill at the site. A landfill cannot be legally constructed at this site.

- Any potential damage to landfill liners by burrowing animals or other causes can be prevented by routine inspection and maintenance of the landfill.

The site poses no threat to the proposed Big River Reservoir since the two areas are separated by a major surface water divide. The site also poses no threat to the Moosup River Watershed since the site is far removed from the Moosup River. In addition, a RCRA/TSCA landfill would not be adversely impacted by the presence of fractured bedrock beneath the site.

Under section 101(24) of CERCLA an offsite alternative is a permissible remedy only if the offsite action would accomplish one or more of the following three objectives:

- (a) Is more cost-effective than other remedial actions.

- (b) Will create new capacity to manage hazardous substances in addition to those located at the affected facility.

- (c) Are necessary to protect public health or welfare or the environment from a present or potential risk which may be created by further exposure to the continued presence of the contaminated materials.
1. Onsite Disposal (continued)

Because offsite land disposal does not meet any of these three objectives, EPA has determined the cost effective source control alternative to be onsite land disposal of the PCB and phenol contaminated soils. Onsite disposal in a RCRA/TSCA landfill and offsite disposal in a RCRA/TSCA landfill are considered equally protective of public health, welfare, and the environment. However, costs for onsite disposal of PCB contaminated soils in an onsite RCRA/TSCA landfill are approximately 58 percent less than offsite disposal in a permitted RCRA/TSCA landfill. The Agency is aware that the proposed landfill does not meet the 50 foot hydrologic condition listed under 40 CFR 761.75 of TSCA and would be in violation of state and local laws. Legally, EPA is exempt from other laws' requirements in selecting an onsite remedy under CERCLA (i.e., Superfund). Instead, the Agency legally is required to determine whether the onsite remedy meets the CERCLA test of being adequately protective of the public health, welfare or the environment. The EPA in making its determination, considered the TSCA regulations as well as other Federal, State and local laws. With the exception of the hydraulic condition, the proposed landfill design exceeds the PCB landfill...
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Implementation of OS-3, Groundwater Recovery, Treatment, and Discharge, would hasten groundwater cleanup. Groundwater should be treated and cleaned.

Although the proposed recovery and treatment alternative may reduce the amount of contaminated groundwater that discharges to the Unnamed Swamp and bedrock spring, implementation of this alternative is not expected to significantly hasten groundwater cleanup. As stated on p. 8-3 of Volume 2 of the RI/FS, contaminant concentrations are ultimately controlled by source persistence. Due to the potentially widespread distribution of contaminants in the unsaturated zone and the site location near a groundwater divide, residual source removal was considered to be technically and economically infeasible. Under natural conditions of precipitation, flushing, dispersion and decay, plume concentrations will continue to decline as the original mass of contaminants at the source is depleted. A determination will be made on whether corrective measures are necessary for the groundwater once groundwater standards that are protective of public health, welfare, and the environment are established for the site.
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Citing extensive delays tolerated by members of the community, citizens expressed concern that EPA failed to provide adequate time to review the Feasibility Study during the public comment period.
6. **Groundwater Monitoring**

   Sink wells in 360° circle around site in 1 mile radius and test with most recent equipment for 50 years.

   The alternate groundwater monitoring program proposed in this comment is not appropriate for the hydrogeologic setting at the Picillo site. Wells positioned in a one-mile radius from the site would all be situated in different subbasins from the one in which the site is located. Ideally, monitoring wells would be positioned near the disposal area to reflect changes in source release mechanisms.

   As part of the source control remedy, a long-term groundwater monitoring program will be implemented to monitor the landfill. Under RCRA guidelines, the landfill would be monitored for 30 years. Also, the Agency will evaluate whether groundwater correction measures are needed. In the interim, a groundwater and surface water monitoring program will be implemented and risk based standards protective of groundwater will be established.

   For either monitoring program, arbitrarily setting a time period for sampling and analysis of 50 years would not be necessary.
7. Site Security

Rural nature of the area makes site security a concern. EPA cannot assure site security. There is no guarantee of long-term security. No fence is "people proof." Despite risks associated with the swamp, it is not even posted with a warning sign.

The long-term security measures which will be implemented at the site are outlined in the Record of Decision Summary. Long-term security will include fencing the eight acre site. Security fences are typically chain-link fences which have several strands of barbed wire along the top. A fence will be of sufficient height and strength to deter people from climbing over or breaking through the fence. Signs will also be posted along the fence to warn humans of the danger from hazardous waste. Regular inspections will also be conducted by regulatory officials.
COMMUNITY CONCERN

8. Future Development

If other homes are built, their wells could become contaminated. Nine homes have been built on Route 102 and four homes on Logbridge Road; new wells have been drilled for each home. Could this affect the groundwater situation? If more private wells are installed, groundwater flows could change, contaminating other wells. Future development could deplete groundwater and create reverse flow. Real Estate interests are telling clients everything is cleaned up. The area is critical for future Rhode Island water development, including the proposed Big River Reservoir Project.

If EPA creates a landfill at the site, could this be used as a regional landfill? Could Mr. Picillo regain control of a landfill operation in the community?

RESPONSE

Development of new homes near the Picillo site could alter the groundwater flow regime as described in GCA's RI/FS document (April, 1985). However, groundwater withdrawal rates associated with domestic wells along Logbridge Road are typically low and are not expected to significantly alter existing flow patterns near the site. Development along Route 102 is not expected to pose a risk since this area is hydraulically upgradient and at a greater distance from the site than Logbridge Road. The Agency will also continue to monitor groundwater and surface water to detect any changes in groundwater quality. As described in Comment No. 1, the Big River Watershed will not be impacted by the Picillo site.

Regarding the construction of an onsite landfill, CERCLA funds would be used for the disposal of onsite soil contamination only. Therefore, the landfill would only be designed to hold the volume of those contaminated soils. Additionally, as part of the alternative, the landfill would be closed and periodically inspected precluding the disposal of any other wastes within it.
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No health study has been conducted. Can EPA guarantee the community that they have not, or will not, be affected by contaminants on site? Is there the potential for synergistic effects from chemicals at the site? Psychological effects have taken their toll.
STATE COMMENTS

1. Onsite Disposal

State opposes disposal of PCBs onsite because site is located near a swamp, because groundwater is less than 50 feet from the proposed landfill and because the site cannot be secured from public access. As long as offsite storage is available, RIDEM recommends the PCBs be disposed of offsite.

The State of Rhode Island has regulations under the Rhode Island Hazardous Waste Management Act which prohibit the landfilling of extremely hazardous waste in Rhode Island due to the fact that groundwater is within 50 feet of any possible site. Under State law, PCB contaminated soils over 50 ppm are considered extremely hazardous waste. The State is not in a position to grant a variance for this position and, therefore, the landfill cannot be legally built. As a result, the offsite remedy is the cost effective alternative; the onsite remedy is not feasible due to state regulations and should not be considered.

The State does not feel that landfilling of phenol contaminated soils in an onsite RCRA facility poses a hazard to public health or the environment.

RESPONSE

EPA acknowledges this State comment and has considered it in the decision-making process. The Agency rational for choosing onsite disposal in a RCRA/TSCA landfill is outlined in comment #1 of the community concerns.

A more in-depth summary of the rationale for the chosen remedial alternative can be found in the "Consistency With Other Environmental Laws," "Alternatives Evaluation," and "Recommended Alternatives" sections of the ROD summary.
2. Treatment of Contaminated Groundwater

Because the RI/FS states that groundwater contamination has reached a maximum level and will decline, the State accepts that the groundwater does not need to be treated. However, the site should remain on the NPL for at least 15 years until natural cleaning is complete, or until the trend of groundwater contamination decline is evident.

Groundwater monitoring should be maintained for 30 years in compliance with RCRA requirements. Alternate concentration limits should be set for samples taken from monitoring wells at the property line; if these limits are exceeded, EPA should determine what mitigative measures should be taken.

EPA acknowledges the State's comment regarding the length of time the site should remain on the NPL. However, determining the number of years the site will remain on the NPL is outside the scope of this ROD.

EPA also acknowledges the State's comments regarding groundwater contamination. EPA will implement a groundwater and surface water monitoring program to enable the Agency to establish risk based standards for groundwater (i.e., alternate concentration limits) that are protective of public health, welfare, and the environment. The compliance points for these "risk based" limits, possible groundwater treatment, and the length of the groundwater monitoring period will be determined once these standards are developed. Based on this information, if additional remedial actions are necessary, a Record of Decision will be prepared for approval of the future remedial action.
STATE COMMENTS

3. Need for Government Entities to Take Control or Ownership of Land

The State of Rhode Island does not feel that ownership of the site is needed because the State has access to the land, which is all that is required.

RESPONSE

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4. Site Security

Post or restrict those areas where contaminated groundwater may be reaching the surface.

The rural nature of this area will not allow anybody to prevent public access into this area.

The EPA has considered and generally concurs with the State's comment regarding security measures. Long-term security measures which will be implemented as part of the source control remedy include fencing and posting the site.
1. Extension of Public Comment Period

Requested and were denied an extension of the comment period to the end of May 1985. Accordingly, PRPs reserve the right to challenge at any later proceeding the RI/FS and its analyses, conclusions, and data base.

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2. **Offsite Remedial Alternative**

Generator PRPs consider that the concentrations of contaminants released offsite do not present, nor have ever presented, credible risk to human health, welfare, or the environment. Generator PRPs endorse the selection of OS-1 No Action as the Remedial Alternative.

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3. Realistic Worst Case Scenario is Flawed

The "Realistic Worst Case" is seriously flawed. It is not realistic because the assumed 60 soil contacts is not supported and seems extremely unlikely. The maximum PCB soil concentration used was not determined by a USEPA standard published analytical method and, therefore, is not reliable for establishing the dose. If the maximum PCB concentration determined by standard USEPA methods from March 1984 samples is used together with an assumption of only nine total soil contacts, the worst case scenario results in a one in one million cancer risk which, as stated in the RI/FS, is considered an acceptable level. Even if the hypothetical "Realistic Worst Case" scenario is correct, the only risk results from repeated direct contact with a "hot spot."

A screening procedure utilized by the EPA Region I Laboratory to determine the quantity of PCBs in soil at the Picillo Site was utilized for soil samples collected on February 9, 1984. Of the 92 samples analyzed by the screening procedure, random samples were collected and analyzed by the EPA PCB protocol method for sediment/soil analysis for extractable organic compounds from the Revised Draft of Concensus Organics Protocol - 11/30/83 (Latoille, USEPA, 27 March 1984).

The screening method yielded a maximum PCB soil concentration of 180 ug/gm (ppm). When the same sample was analyzed by the protocol method, a level of 123 ug/gm (ppm) was determined. Using the 180 ug/gm value as the conservative maximum concentration is not inappropriate for determining risk. However, even if the protocol value of 123 ug/gm is utilized as the maximum PCB concentration in the Realistic Worst Case Scenario, a risk of $1.1 \times 10^{-5}$ (instead of $1.5 \times 10^{-5}$) is determined. The 1.1 in 100,000 increased cancer risk, exceeds the $10^{-6}$ risk level by a factor of 11 as opposed to 15. Thus, regardless of whether one assumes 180 ppm or 123 ppm as the maximum PCB contamination, an unacceptable risk is determined to exist.

To develop the Realistic Worst Case Scenario for direct contact with the PCB pile, the
3. **Realistic Worst Case Scenario is Flawed**  
(continued)

population which would most likely come into contact with the pile was assumed. Although the site is guarded, it is possible that area residents, especially teenagers, may access the site from access points other than the controlled gate and climb on the PCB pile, or use it for dirt bike riding or other activities. Observations of trespassers, especially teenagers, has been reportedly observed by community residents in the past. It was assumed the age group who would most realistically use the site for these activities would be a young male between the ages of 10 through 16. Therefore, the exposure period was assumed to be six years. 10 soil contacts per year is reasonable in a Realistic Worst Case Scenario due to the nature of the activities expected at the Picillo site and the age group performing them. A one year exposure period with 9 contacts is not reasonable for a realistic worst case since the realistic worst case should be designed to encompass what could occur for the population specified, i.e., to determine the maximum exposure potential for the population of concern.
4. **Recommended Alternative**

Oppose use of RCRA/TSCA facility for disposal of contaminated materials onsite. The PCB pile was created from the spoils of the Northeast Trench. Eighty percent of the materials in the Northeast Trench were uncontained at the time of cleanup in 1980. This indicates that the bulk of the PCBs were released to the environment during and prior to 1980 with no ill-effects to health and safety. RIDEM disposed of the heavily contaminated soil and stockpiled only the slightly contaminated soil. The "Phenol Pile" was successfully treated onsite and does not pose a risk. No more than 25 gallons of PCBs remain in the "PCB Pile." This results in an average concentration of much less than 50 ppm. More than 25 gallons of PCBs were released during dumping and during cleanup, yet the naturally occurring conditions onsite prevented any threat to human health, welfare, and the environment. SC-5, Landfill in RCRA/TSCA Facility, is not justified by the risk presented. There is no legal requirement for these materials to be disposed of in an RCRA/TSCA landfill. The PCB pile is not regulated by TSCA because the average PCB concentration is less than 50 ppm. EPA policy (6-PCB-9) allows compositing of samples, so the average is the appropriate measure of PCB concentration. Data also suggests that natural biodegradation of PCBs is occurring. The generator group is willing to test a sample from the PCB pile to determine if biodegradation is taking place.

EPA acknowledges the PRPs comments regarding onsite disposal in a RCRA/TSCA landfill and has considered them in the decision-making process. The Agency rationale for the selected remedy is outlined in the ROD summary.

A RCRA/TSCA landfill and the associated impermeable cap, leachate collection system, and leak detection system is necessary to adequately protect the public health, welfare, and the environment. A layered impermeable cap would prevent human contact with wastes and minimize or eliminate infiltration into the landfill. An impermeable double bottom liner with a leachate collection system and leak detection system will protect against contaminant migration. Site closure activities include providing runon/runoff controls, regrading and revegetating the site, and limiting access with a fence. These will reduce erosion and assure the long-term integrity of the landfill.

Simply covering the PCB pile with "thickets, thorns, or poison ivy" will not adequately protect the public health, welfare, and the environment. This proposed remedy only addressed the threat of direct contact with the PCB contaminated wastes.
4. Recommended Alternative (continued)

The risk associated with the site could be easily remediated through the elimination of future contact with contaminants. The PCB pile could be covered with earth and seeded with thickets, thorns, or poison ivy to provide an additional degree of security. The primary defect of the RI/FS is the failure to address a security/cover type remedy. The recommended alternative SC-5, RCRA/TSCA Landfill, provides no additional protection from human and animal contact. The only risk to be avoided is a potential health concern arising from repeated direct contact with trespassers; the creation of a RCRA/TSCA landfill is not the appropriate remedy to avoid this risk.

As stated in the RI/FS, there are also risks to public health and the environment through direct contact with the phenol pile. Also, organic chemical contamination in both the PCB and phenol contaminated soil is expected to provide a continued source of contamination to the groundwater, preventing it from being used as a potable water supply. A more in depth explanation of the risks associated with the site is presented in the "Risk Assessment" section of the ROD summary. Even as just a deterrent against direct contact with the PCB contaminated soils, the proposed remedy is severely inadequate. Erosion would quickly reduce the integrity of such a cap and leave the contaminated soils exposed. A properly constructed landfill will require regrading of the site, providing erosion controls, and the use of adequate materials to assure the long-term integrity of the landfill.

The PRPs have also stated that the PCB contaminated soils are not considered a TSCA waste since the average concentration of PCBs is under 50 PPM. Although CERCLA is exempt from other environmental laws, one measure used by EPA in determining whether a remedial alternative at Superfund sites adequately meets the CERCLA test of protecting public health, welfare, and the environment is whether the alternative attains the substantive provisions of other applicable federal public health and environmental standards. The applicable TSCA requirements...
are listed under 40 CFR 761. TSCA regulates PCB wastes over 50 PPM. The contaminated soils represent a mixture of wastes from bulk dumping activities and leaking drums. These soils cannot be further composited to obtain a PCB value under 50 PPM. Since levels of contamination were not uniformly distributed such that the pile could be segregated, the entire stockpile would be considered a TSCA waste. EPA draft policy 6-PCB-9 addresses the extent of cleanup and does not allow for the compositing of samples to obtain levels under 50 PPM. The draft policy states that improperly disposed of PCBs shall be cleaned up to background levels unless these levels are not practicably attainable using normal cleanup methods.

As stated, EPA has determined that disposing of the PCB and phenol contaminated soils in a RCRA/TSCA landfill is necessary to meet the CERCLA test of being adequately protective of public health, welfare, and the environment.

Regarding the possible biodegradation of PCBs, a pilot study was conducted in 1982 by O.H. Materials using commercially available microbes and proved to be unsuccessful as stated on page 2-4 of the RI/FS.
5. Impacts from Construction Activities

The activity of creating a RCRA/TSCA landfill will entail risks to workers by construction activity and the surrounding population by fugitive dust. The RI/FS does not address these risks. These risks, coupled with the destruction of the microorganism habitat, far outweigh any perceived benefit in moving the piles twice and creating a RCRA/TSCA landfill.

Regarding the construction of a RCRA/TSCA landfill, the RI/FS considered the creation of potential adverse affects. It is unlikely that 100 percent efficiency of dust control can be attained with any technology. However, to reduce the risks to workers during remediation, an effective health and safety program would be implemented. In addition, to minimize worker injury and ensure worker safety with the use of heavy equipment, EPA would require that adequate worker safety measures be implemented. Construction of a secure RCRA/TSCA landfill onsite would not present any adverse effects to the microorganism habitat in the nearby swamp ecosystems. Therefore, the implementation of the recommended alternative SC-5 is not expected to result in adverse impacts which cannot be readily controlled, but will result in mitigating the risks posed by the PCB and phenol piles.
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<sup>d</sup>O.H. Materials sampling reported in Flatham (1/83).  
<sup>e</sup>RI DEM sampling reported in Muller (7/83).  
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$^a$Based on RI DEM, results reported in Hartley 1984 for sampling conducted 2/9/84 for nine selected samples of 92 collected.

$^b$Average and standard deviation of samples greater than detection limit.
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All values in micrograms per liter (ppb).
ND = Not detected.
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<sup>a</sup>Reference: Tighe & Bond, 8/83.
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<sup>c</sup>PCBs detected in well BR-W2.
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### TABLE 4A: UNNAMED SWAMP AIR EMISSION MODELING RESULTS
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\(^a\)Source: GCA, 1982.

\(^b\)Downwind concentrates at 3,000 feet from source, worst case. See Appendix D for modeling details.

\(^c\)Reported or calculated units.

\(^d\)Conversion at 760 mm Hg, 0°C.

\(^e\)Lowest threshold reported, Source: Verschueren, 1983.

\(^f\)ND = Not detected.
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<sup>a</sup>Based on RI DEM results reported in Hartley (3/84) for sampling conducted 02/09/84.

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<sup>c</sup>Based on RI DEM results reported in Perrotti (8/83) for sampling conducted 05/03/83.

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All concentrations in ppb.

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^{a} Concentration corresponding to human one in one million increased cancer risk from 1980 Ambient Water Quality Criteria. —— signifies no carcinogenic assessment based on currently available data. Source: Federal Register, November 28, 1980.

^{b} Source: Federal Register, November 25, 1980. Criteria are based on systemic toxic effects unless otherwise noted. —— indicates nonpriority pollutant, therefore no criteria formulated.

^{c} Source: Federal Register, November 28, 1980, unless otherwise noted.

^{d} Source: Sax, 1981. —— indicates no TLV.

^{e} Ambient Water Quality Criteria based on 1 x 10^{-6} carcinogenic risk level. For 1 x 10^{-5} level, multiply by 10; for 1 x 10^{-7} level, divide by 10.

^{f} Organoleptic criteria: levels at which taste or odor are imparted to water and/or fish. There is no human health significance given to this level.

^{g} Source: Verscheuren, 1983.
TABLE 8. COMPARISON OF SWAMP CONTAMINANT LEVELS TO TOXICITY LEVELS

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\(^a\)Data from Tables 4-5, 4-6.

\(^b\)Data from EPA Water Quality documents, Federal Register, November 28, 1980, and a search of AQUIRE in July 1984, EPA's computerized data base on toxic substances.
Figure 1. Locus map of the Picillo Farm Site. (Adapted from E & E, 1981).
SECONDARY SYNTHETIC LINER, LINGER ^ f
BY & A M GEOTEXTILE -^ LINER, BEDDING LAYER
L-SOIL LAYER FOR VEGETATION
DRAINAGE LAYER
SYNTHETIC LINER UNDERLYING A GEOTEXTILE OR SAND LAYER
CLAY LINER

WASTE

SECONDARY SYNTHETIC LINER OVERLAIN BY A GEOTEXTILE
LINER BEDDING LAYER
PRIMARY SYNTHETIC LINER BETWEEN GEOTEXTILES
LEACHETE COLLECTION
LEAK DETECTION

Figure 3 Proposed RCRA designed landfill.
图4 提议的覆盖设计。
PICILLO COST SHEET FOR SOURCE CONTROL ALTERNATIVES

Alternative SC-2: Disposal of PCB and phenol contaminated soils offsite in a RCRA/TSCA Landfill

* Direct Capital Costs
  - Offsite disposal (6500 yd$^3$) $1,478,300
  - Site closure 222,300

* Indirect Capital Costs (Engineering 9%, Legal and license/permits 5%, Contingency 25%) 663,300

* Operations and Maintenance, 30 years (present worth) 145,300

$2,509,200

Alternative SC-3: Disposal of PCB Contaminated Soils Offsite in a RCRA/TSCA Landfill

Disposal of Phenol Contaminated Soils Onsite in RCRA Landfill

* Direct Capital Costs
  - Onsite RCRA landfill of phenol soils $212,100
  - Offsite disposal of PCB soils (3500 yd$^3$) 844,500
  - Site closure 227,200

* Indirect Capital Costs 500,800

* Operations and Maintenance 191,400

$1,976,000
Alternative SC-4: Disposal of PCB Contaminated Soils Offsite in a RCRA/TSCA Landfill

Disposal of Phenol Contaminated Soils Onsite in a Cap Only Landfill

* Direct Capital Costs
  - Onsite cap-only landfill of phenol soils (3000 yd$^3$) $113,300
  - Offsite disposal of PCB soils (3500 yd$^3$) 844,500
  - Site closure 227,200

* Indirect Capital Costs 462,300

* Operations and Maintenance 191,400

| $1,838,700 |

Alternative SC-5: Disposal of PCB Contaminated Soils Onsite in a RCRA/TSCA Landfill

* Direct Capital Costs
  - Onsite RCRA Landfill (6500 yd$^3$) $378,200
  - Site closure 227,200

* Indirect Capital Costs 236,200

* Operations and Maintenance 191,400

| $1,033,000 |
Alternative SC-6: Disposal of PCB Contaminated Soils Onsite in a RCRA/TSCA Landfill

Disposal of Phenol Contaminated Soils Onsite in a Cap Only Landfill

* Direct Capital Costs

- Onsite RCRA Landfill for PCB soils (3500 yd$^3$) $250,800$
- Onsite cap-only landfill for phenol soils (3000 yd$^3$) $113,300$
- Site closure $227,200$

* Indirect Capital Costs $230,600$

* Operations and Maintenance $191,400$

$1,013,300$
Introduction

This document is the Index for the Administrative Record for the September 27, 1993 Record of Decision for the Picillo Farm National Priorities List (NPL) site. Section I of the Index cites site-specific documents and Section II cites guidance documents used by EPA staff in selecting a response action at the site.

The Administrative Record is available for public review by appointment at the EPA Region I Records Center in Boston, Massachusetts (Telephone: 617-573-5729) and at Coventry Public Library, 1672 Flat River Road, Coventry, Rhode Island 02816. This index also contains confidential documents that are available only for judicial review. Although not expressly listed in this index, all documents contained in the Administrative Record for the September 30, 1985 Record of Decision and the Administrative Record for the March 3, 1987 Record of Decision are incorporated by reference herein, and are expressly made a part of the Administrative Record for the present operable unit. Questions concerning the Administrative Record should be addressed to the EPA Region I site manager. Additional volumes may be added to this Administrative Record.

The Administrative Record is required by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA).
Section I

Site-Specific Documents
ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD INDEX
for the
Picillo Farm NPL Site
(ROD Signed: September 27, 1993)

2.0 Removal Response

2.1 Correspondence

State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management

1. Letter from Alicia Good, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management to Richard C. Boynton, EPA Region I (December 6, 1990). Concerning a request that EPA's Environmental Services Division investigate solid waste at the site and the following attachments:

2.2 Removal Response Reports

5. Memorandum from Steven J. Haness, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry to Susanne Simon, EPA Region I (March 30, 1992). Concerning a health consultation at the site.
2.3 Sampling and Analysis Data

1. "Chain of Custody Record," EPA Region I (July 18, 1991)

Additional sampling and analysis data and chain of custody forms related to removal actions at the site may be reviewed, by appointment only, at the EPA Region I Records Center in Boston, Massachusetts.

3.0 Remedial Investigation (RI)

3.1 Correspondence

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry


Arthur D. Little, Inc. (EPA’s Contractor)

2. Memorandum from Robert Lambe, Arthur D. Little to Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I (August 22, 1990). Concerning the disposal of decontamination fluids for the development and presample purging of the groundwater monitoring wells at the site.
6. Memorandum from Robert Lambe, Arthur D. Little, Inc. to Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I (May 1, 1992). Concerning proposed residential well sampling at the site.

EPA Region I

3.1 Correspondence (cont'd.)

EPA Region I (cont'd.)

9. Letter from Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I to James Ball, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (June 13, 1990). Concerning a request for information on any known waste dumps in the vicinity of the site.


11. Memorandum from Richard A. Haworth, EPA Region I to Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I (September 6, 1990). Concerning the review of the attached sampling results and the determination that the amount, quantity, or concentration of the material does not warrant a federal response.

12. Memorandum from Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I to Louise A. House, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (November 5, 1990). Concerning a brief history of the site and notification that the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry may have to verify the history of human health problems at the site.

13. Memorandum from Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I to Louise A. House and Susan Simon, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (February 21, 1991). Concerning the suggestion that information letters be sent to those residents concerned with health issues at the site.

The photographs associated with the records cited below as entry number 15 may be reviewed by appointment only at the EPA Region I Records Center in Boston, Massachusetts.


15. Letter from Jim Sebastian, EPA Region I to Librarian, Coventry Public Library (July 29, 1991). Concerning transmittal of the Remedial Investigation Work Plan for Phase 1B.

The Meeting Notes and attached records (other than the corresponding "Lists of Attendees") cited below as entries numbered 16 through 19 are withheld as CONFIDENTIAL and are available only for judicial review.


17. Meeting Notes, EPA Region I and PRPs - Technical Meeting No. 1 (March 16, 1992) with attached "List of Attendees." Concerning site remediation.
3.1 Correspondence (cont’d.)

EPA Region I (cont’d.)

18. Meeting Notes, EPA Region I and PRPs - Technical Meeting No. 2 (April 22, 1992) with attached:
   A. "List of Attendees - Technical Meeting No. 2 with the PRPs," (April 22, 1992).
   B. "Schedule for the Picillo Farm Site Feasibility Study," Arthur D. Little, Inc.
   D. Meeting Photographs, EPA Region I and PRPs - Technical Meeting No. 2 (April 22, 1992).

19. Meeting Notes, EPA Region I and PRPs Technical Meeting No. 3 (June 11, 1992) with attached list of attendees. Concerning results of Phase 1B and status of remediation.


The Meeting Notes and attached records (other than the corresponding "Lists of Attendees") cited below as entry number 21 is withheld as CONFIDENTIAL and is available only for judicial review.

21. Meeting Notes, EPA Region I and PRPs - Technical Meeting No. 4 - Site Tour (July 24, 1992) with attached tour guide, site maps, and "List of Attendees".


27. Letter from Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I to James Ball, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (January 4, 1993). Concerning results of residential well sampling.

3.1 Correspondence (cont'd.)

EPA Region I (cont'd.)


Environmental Strategies Corporation (PRPs' Technical Consultant)

30. Letter from William H. Phillips, Environmental Strategies Corporation to Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I (March 11, 1992) with attached proposed meeting agenda and list of attendees. Concerning request for a meeting with EPA to discuss technical information related to the site.


32. Letter from William H. Phillips, Environmental Strategies Corporation to Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I (June 5, 1992) with attached proposed agenda and list of attendees. Concerning the scheduled June 11, 1992 technical meeting and a summary of the April 22, 1992 meeting.


State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management

34. Letter from Diane L. Badorek, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management to James Finger, Town of Coventry (June 22, 1987). Concerning the extent of groundwater and surface water contamination and noting that further testing at the site will be necessary.


36. Letter from Terrence D. Gray, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management to Richard A. Haworth, EPA Region I (October 10, 1990). Concerning the analysis of samples taken from the site and a request that the material be retested for leachable metals and flash point.


3.1 Correspondence (cont'd.)

State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (cont'd.)


Town of Coventry

40. Letter from Charles Gricus, Town of Coventry to Merrill S. Hohman, EPA Region I (June 16, 1987). Concerning possible contamination of the groundwater in the underlying bedrock surrounding the site with the following attachments:
   D. "Top Court Rules on Compensation for Land Owners."

3.2 Sampling and Analysis Data


The attachment to the record cited as entry number 2 is withheld as CONFIDENTIAL and available only for judicial review.

2. Letter from Ronald G. Lee, State of Rhode Island Department of Health to Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I (May 15, 1990). Concerning transmittal of the attached printout of test results of private well water samples collected around the site.


3.2 Sampling and Analysis Data (cont'd.)


The data associated with the record cited below as entry number 10 is withheld as CONFIDENTIAL and is available only for judicial review.


Additional sampling and analysis data and chain of custody forms related to the Remedial Investigation at the site may be reviewed, by appointment only, at the EPA Region I Records Center in Boston, Massachusetts.

3.4 Interim Deliverables

Reports


3.4 Interim Deliverables (cont'd.)

Comments


Response to Comments


3.5 Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirements (ARARs)


2. "Preliminary List of State of Rhode Island ARARs Which May Apply to Remedial Actions at the Site" (September 16, 1992).

3.6 Remedial Investigation (RI) Reports


3.6 Remedial Investigation (RI) Reports (cont'd.)


3.7 Work Plans and Progress Reports

Reports


The map associated with the record cited in entry number 5 is oversized and may be reviewed, by appointment only, at the EPA Region I Records Center in Boston, Massachusetts.


3.9 Health Assessments

Reports


Comments

4.0 Feasibility Study (FS)

4.1 Correspondence

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

1. Letter from Louise A. House, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry to Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I (May 13, 1993). Concerning notification that Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry has no plans to update the November 2, 1988 Health Assessment.

EPA Region I

2. "Picillo Farm Site Meeting Attendees - EPA Region I and PRPs - Technical Meeting" (January 21, 1993).
4. "Picillo Farm Site Meeting Attendees - EPA Region I and PRPs - Technical Meeting" (March 9, 1993).
5. "Picillo Farm Site Meeting Attendees - EPA Region I and PRPs - Technical Meeting" (April 29, 1993).
8. "Picillo Farm Site Tour Attendees - EPA Region I and PRPs" (July 14, 1993).

Environmental Strategies Corporation (PRPs' Technical Consultant)

4.1 Correspondence (cont'd.)

Environmental Strategies Corporation (PRPs' Technical Consultant) (cont'd.)


4.2 Sampling and Analysis Data

*Sampling and analysis data and chain of custody forms related to the Feasibility Study at the site may be reviewed, by appointment only, at the EPA Region I Records Center in Boston, Massachusetts.*

4.5 Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirements (ARARs)

1. Letter from Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I to James Ball, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (November 18, 1992). Concerning transmittal of the Test Plan for Laboratory-Scale Treatability Studies and a request for identification of potential action-specific ARARs and TBCs at the site.

2. Letter from James Ball, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management to Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I (January 6, 1993). Concerning the attached list of potential ARARs.

4.6 Feasibility Study (FS) Reports


4.9 Proposed Plans for Selected Remedial Action


5.0 Record of Decision (ROD)

5.1 Correspondence

1. Memorandum from Merrill S. Hohman, EPA Region I to Picillo Administrative Record (July 26, 1993). Concerning proposed cleanup at the site and proper vehicle for transmitting comments.


5.1 Correspondence (cont’d.)


5.3 Responsiveness Summaries

1. Cross-Reference: Responsiveness Summary is an attachment to the September 27, 1993 "Record of Decision," EPA Region I [Filed and cited as entry number 1 in 5.4 Record of Decision (ROD)].

The following citations indicate comments received by EPA Region I during the formal comment period:

2. Comments Dated July 1, 1993 from Jim Walley, MRK Incineration, Inc. on the June 1993 "Proposed Cleanup Plan for the Picillo Farm Superfund Site," EPA Region I.


5.3 Responsiveness Summaries (cont'd.)


5.4 Record of Decision (ROD)

1. "Record of Decision," EPA Region I (September 27, 1993).
6.0 Remedial Design (RD)

6.4 Remedial Design Documents

The maps associated with the records cited in Attachments I, J, and K may be reviewed, by appointment only, at the EPA Region I Records Center in Boston, Massachusetts.

1. Letter from Stephen J. Buckley, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. to Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I (May 19, 1988). Concerning the transmittal of the following attached final, approved design documents for the removal of the contaminated soil piles:
   F. "Engineering Documentation Requirements" Form, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. for the Settling Parties (March 31, 1988).

6.6 Work Plans and Progress Reports

7.0 Remedial Action (RA)

7.1 Correspondence

Bechtel Environmental, Inc. (PRPs' Contractor)

1. Letter from Stephen J. Buckley, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. to Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I (April 8, 1988). Concerning the preliminary listing of disposal facilities and the attached:
   A. "Potential Soils Disposal Facilities."
   B. "Potential Liquid Disposal Facilities."

2. Letter from Stephen J. Buckley, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. to Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I (May 4, 1988). Concerning the request for EPA's approval of the attached list of proposed disposal facilities.

3. Letter from Stephen J. Buckley, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. to Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I (July 6, 1988). Concerning the request for EPA's approval of the GE incinerator as an acceptable treatment facility for the one drum of PCB-contaminated liquid remaining at the site.

4. Memorandum from Mike Falzone, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. to Mike Wass, Sevenson Environmental Services, Inc. (July 6, 1988). Concerning the items identified during the July 6, 1988 site inspection to be added to the June 30, 1988 "Project Completion Punchlist," Bechtel Environmental, Inc. for the Settling Parties.


7. Letter from Stephen J. Buckley, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. to Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I (October 14, 1988). Concerning the completion of the turf establishment at the site and notification that all activities described in paragraphs 6(1) through 6(6) of the Consent Decree have been completed.


EBASCO Services Incorporated (EPA's Contractor)

9. Memorandum from Robert Proudfoot, EBASCO Services Incorporated to Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I and Alicia Good, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (July 1, 1988). Concerning notification that a final inspection will be conducted on or before July 8, 1988 and the attached:
   A. Memorandum from S.R. Stoddard, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. to Robert Proudfoot, EBASCO Services Incorporated (June 30, 1988).
   B. "Project Completion Punchlist."
7.1 Correspondence (cont’d.)

EBASCO Services Incorporated (cont’d.)

*The project photographs done by EBASCO Services Incorporated, including the photographs associated with the record cited in entry number 10, may be reviewed, by appointment only, at the EPA Region I Records Center in Boston, Massachusetts.*


EPA Region I


16. Letter from Richard C. Boynton, EPA Region I to Alicia Good, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (May 3, 1988). Concerning EPA's plan for testing the remaining soil after the PRPs remove the soil piles.

17. Letter from Richard C. Boynton, EPA Region I to Stephen J. Buckley, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. (May 6, 1988). Concerning EPA approval of the final design specifications for soil removal and requesting a formal proposal indicating which RCRA facilities are qualified to accept the hazardous materials from the site.


20. Memorandum from John F. Zipeto, EPA Region I to Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I (May 13, 1988). Concerning the listed facilities deemed acceptable to receive hazardous wastes from the site.
7.1 Correspondence (cont'd.)

EPA Region I (cont'd.)


22. Letter from Richard C. Boynton, EPA Region I to Stephen J. Buckley, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. (July 5, 1988). Concerning EPA approval of the borrow area used for backfilling the site and an outline of closure activities for the areas under the removed soil piles.


25. Letter from Richard C. Boynton, EPA Region I to Mark L. Allen, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. (September 20, 1988). Concerning EPA's preferred option for the grading and seeding of the areas under the removed soil piles and request for a timetable of the work to be completed.


27. Letter from Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I to Mark L. Allen, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. (October 6, 1988). Concerning approval of the change in seeding specifications providing that a healthy vegetative cover is established to prevent erosion at the site.


29. Telephone Notes Between Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I and Joseph Polselli, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (October 31, 1988). Concerning additional information on the questions raised about removal actions proposed by the State of Rhode Island.


32. Telephone Notes Between Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I and Jeff T. Pullen, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. (November 17, 1988). Concerning the scheduling of the final inspection of the site.

7.1 Correspondence (cont'd.)

EPA Region I (cont'd.)


35. Letter from Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I to Mark L. Allen, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. (February 7, 1990). Concerning notification that work performed by the Settling Parties under the Consent Decree has been completed.

State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management

36. Letter from Joseph Polselli, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management to John F. Zipeto, EPA Region I (November 14, 1988). Concerning the State of Rhode Island's proposal to excavate PCB contaminated soil and to move it to an EPA-approved disposal facility.


39. Letter from Thomas D. Getz, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management to Mark L. Allen, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. (March 26, 1990). Concerning notification that work performed by the Settling Parties under the Consent Decree has been completed.

7.2 Sampling and Analysis Data

Borrow Pit Area

1. Memorandum from Robert Proudfoot, EBASCO Services Incorporated to Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I and Alicia Good, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (June 17, 1988) with attached sampling maps. Concerning the June 14, 1988 and June 16, 1988 walkover surveys for the Volatile Organic Analysis (VOA) levels in the existing borrow pit area.

2. Memorandum from Robert Proudfoot, EBASCO Services Incorporated to Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I and Alicia Good, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (June 23, 1988) with attached sampling map. Concerning the June 23, 1988 walkover survey for the Volatile Organic Analysis (VOA) levels in the existing borrow pit area.
7.2 Sampling and Analysis Data (cont'd.)

Large (No. 1) Phenol Pile

3. Memorandum from Robert Proudfoot, EBASCO Services Incorporated to Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I (July 15, 1988). Concerning transmittal of the attached soil sample analysis results from the "footprint" area under the large (No. 1) phenol pile.

Small (No. 2) Phenol Pile

4. Memorandum from Robert Proudfoot, EBASCO Services Incorporated to Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I (July 21, 1988). Concerning transmittal of the attached soil sample analysis results from the "footprint" area under the small (No. 2) phenol pile.

5. Memorandum from Robert Proudfoot, EBASCO Services Incorporated to Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I (August 3, 1988). Concerning transmittal of the attached re-analysis results for soil sample AJ-958, one of the samples taken from the "footprint" area under the small (No. 2) phenol pile.

Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) Pile

   A. "Picillo Soil Sample Report."
   B. "Figure I - Sampling Locations of Picillo PCB Pile on 21 June 1988."
   C. "Figure II - Sampling Results of Picillo PCB Pile on 21 June 1988."

7. Memorandum from Robert Proudfoot, EBASCO Services Incorporated to Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I (July 1, 1988). Concerning transmittal of the attached soil sample analysis results from the "footprint" area under the PCB pile.


10. Letter from Mark L. Allen, Bechtel Environmental, Inc. to Lynne A. Fratus, EPA Region I (May 2, 1989). Concerning results of the attached air monitoring data with a list of the volatile organic compounds reported to be present in the PCB pile.
7.2 Sampling and Analysis Data (cont'd.)

Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) Pile (cont'd.)

11. Sampling Report from Joseph Polselli, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management with attached:
   A. "Sampling Map."

7.5 Remedial Action Documents

The map associated with the record cited in entry number 1 may be reviewed, by appointment only, at the EPA Region I Records Center in Boston, Massachusetts.


7.6 Work Plans and Progress Reports


The map associated with the record cited in entry number 5 may be reviewed, by appointment only, at the EPA Region I Records Center in Boston, Massachusetts.

9.0 State Coordination

9.1 Correspondence

EPA Region I

1. Letter from Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I to James Ball, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (September 12, 1990). Concerning the removal of solid waste from the site.

2. Memorandum from Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I to Susan Kiernan and James Ball, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (September 18, 1990). Concerning the investigation of an underground storage tank at the site.

State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management

3. Memorandum from James Ball, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management to Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I (March 28, 1991). Concerning the following attachments:
   A. Letter from Thomas D. Getz, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management to Warren Picillo, Sr.
   B. "Notice of Violation and Order and Penalty (NOVAP)," State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (March 13, 1991).
   C. Letter from Thomas D. Getz, State of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management to Roberta H. Johnson, Coventry Rhde Island Town Hall.


10.0 Enforcement

10.8 EPA Consent Decrees


10.8 EPA Consent Decrees (cont’d.)


10.9 Pleadings


11.9 PRP-Specific Correspondence (cont'd.)


15. Letter from Julie Taylor, EPA Region I to C. Russell Bengston, Carroll, Kelley & Murphy (Attorney for Daniel Capuano, Jack Capuano, the estate of Anthony Capuano, United Sanitation, Inc., A. Capuano Brothers, and Sanitary Landfill, Inc.) (December 19, 1990). Concerning current status of site cleanup and the opportunity to conduct or participate in the RI/FS.

16. Letter from Julie Taylor, EPA Region I to Lester O. Brown, Anderson, Kill, Olick & Oshinsky (Attorney for Hydron Laboratories) (December 19, 1990). Concerning current status of site cleanup and the opportunity to conduct or participate in the RI/FS.

17. Letter from Julie Taylor, EPA Region I to Deming E. Sherman, Edwards & Angell (Attorney for American Cyanamid Company and Rohm & Haas Company) (December 19, 1990). Concerning current status of site cleanup and the opportunity to conduct or participate in the RI/FS.


11.0 Potentially Responsible Party (PRP)

11.9 PRP-Specific Correspondence

1. Letter from Patricia L. Meaney for Merrill S. Hohman, EPA Region I to the following Addressees (October 27, 1987) concerning notification of potential liability:
   A. American Hoechst Corp.
   B. American Standard, Inc.
   C. Ber Mar Manufacturing Corp.
   D. E.I. Dupont De Nemours and Company
   E. Grumman Aerospace Corp.
   F. Mobay Chemical Corp.
   G. Schenectady Chemicals, Inc.
   H. E.R. Squibb & Sons, Inc.
   I. Transco Products Co.
   J. Ganes Chemicals, Inc.
   K. N.L. Industries, Inc.
   L. Revlon, Inc.
   M. Pan Chemical Corporation
   N. Armstrong Cork Co.
   O. Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.
   P. Custom Chemical Co., Inc.
   Q. Patterson - Sargent Division of Textron, Inc.


3. Letter from Frederick L. Buehler, Transco Products Corporation to Susana Cortina, EPA Region I (November 4, 1987). Concerning denial that Transco Products Corporation had any of its waste material delivered to the site.


11.9 PRP-Specific Correspondence (cont'd.)


29. Letter from Lester O. Brown, Anderson, Kill, Olick & Oshinsky (Attorney for Hydron Laboratories) to Gregory Dain, EPA Region I (August 28, 1992). Concerning Hydron Laboratories' decision not to participate in the RI/FS process.
11.9 PRP-Specific Correspondence (cont'd.)

30. Letter from Gregory Dain, EPA Region I to Lester O. Brown, Anderson, Kill, Olick & Oshinsky (Attorney for Hydron Laboratories) (October 22, 1992). Concerning notification that it would be in Hydron Laboratories' interest to participate in the RI/FS process.

31. Letter from Merrill S. Hohman, EPA Region I to the following (March 8, 1993) concerning notice of potential liability, demand for reimbursement of costs, request voluntary participation in undertaking the remaining cleanup activities at the site:
   A. Ashland Chemical Co.
   B. General Electric Company
   C. G.A.F. Corporation
   D. Monsanto Company
   E. American Cyanamid Company
   F. Rohm & Haas Company
   G. Hydron Laboratories
   H. Morton International, Inc.
   I. Warren V. Picillo, Sr.
   J. Selina Picillo
   K. Cathy Sampaio
   L. Jack Capuano
   M. Daniel J. Capuano, Jr.
   N. United Sanitation, Inc.
   O. Sanitary Landfill, Inc.
   P. A. Capuano Brothers, Inc.
   Q. Chambers Waste Systems of Rhode Island, Inc.

11.14 Title Searches

The records cited below as entry number 1 is withheld as CONFIDENTIAL and is available only for judicial review.


13.0 Community Relations

13.1 Correspondence

1. Cross-Reference: Letter from Charles J. Gricus, Town of Coventry to Merrill S. Hohman, EPA Region I (June 16, 1987). Concerning possible contamination of the groundwater in the underlying bedrock surrounding the site [Filed and cited as entry number 40 in 3.1 Correspondence].

2. Cross-Reference: Letter from Richard C. Boynton, EPA Region I to Charles Gricus, Town of Coventry (August 3, 1987). Concerning EPA's plans for the study of ground water contamination. [Filed and cited as entry number 7 in 3.1 Correspondence].


13.1 Correspondence (cont'd.)

5. Letter from Julie Taylor, EPA Region I to Charles T. Rennick Jr. and Francis Frobel, Town of Coventry (October 20, 1989). Concerning notification that the lawsuit United States of America v. American Cyanamid Company and Rohm & Haas Company, United States District Court for the State of Rhode Island, Civil Action No. 89-0565 (October 16, 1989) has been filed regarding the site.


7. Letter from Charles J. Gricus, Town of Coventry to Julie Belaga, EPA Region I (June 26, 1990). Concerning the request for a time schedule of proposed activities at the site and the following attachments:


10. Letter from Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I to Sandy Dupree, Town of Coventry Public Library (September 6, 1990). Concerning thanks to the library for serving as the field repository for the Administrative Record.


13. Letter from Anna F. Krasko, EPA Region I to Sandy Dupree, Town of Coventry Public Library (June 29, 1993). Concerning transmittal of additional documents for the Administrative Record and the attached supplemental index.

13.2 Community Relations Plans


13.3 News Clippings/Press Releases

1. "Environmental News," EPA Region I (March 5, 1987). Concerning the announcement of EPA's decision to dispose of contaminated soils off-site in a licensed, secure hazardous waste landfill.

2. "Environmental News," EPA Region I (September 24, 1987). Concerning the announcement that EPA and the State of Rhode Island reached a settlement under a Consent Decree which calls for four companies to pay $100,000 and to dispose of 6,000 yards of contaminated soil.

3. "Environmental News," EPA Region I (September 29, 1987). Concerning the announcement of a public meeting on October 15, 1987 to discuss the settlement under the Consent Decree.

13.3 News Clippings/Press Releases

5. "Environmental News," EPA Region I (June 7, 1988). Concerning the announcement that the removal of contaminated soil has begun and that excavation may be completed in less than the fourteen weeks as originally planned.


7. "Environmental News," EPA Region I (June 13, 1990). Concerning the announcement that American Cyanamid Company and Rohm & Haas Company were found liable by the Federal District Court of Rhode Island for generating hazardous substances that were illegally disposed of at the site.


11. "EPA Meeting to Discuss Proposed Cleanup Plan for Picillo Farm Superfund Site," EPA Region I (June 15, 1993).


13.4 Public Meetings


13.5 Fact Sheets


13.6 Mailing Lists

The records cited below as entry number 1 through 4 are withheld as CONFIDENTIAL and are available only for judicial review.


14.0 Congressional Relations

14.1 Correspondence

1. Letter from Ronald Machtley, Member of the U.S. House of Representatives to Julie Belaga, EPA Region I (July 5, 1990). Concerning a response to an inquiry of proposed activities and completion dates at the site.
3. Letter from Ronald Machtley, Member of the U.S. House of Representatives to Julie Belaga, EPA Region I (March 9, 1991). Concerning a request for update of activities at the site.
4. Letter from Julie Belaga, EPA Region I to Ronald Machtley, Member of the U.S. House of Representatives (March 29, 1991). Concerning an update of activities at the site.
5. Letter from John H. Chafee, Member of the U.S. Senate to Julie Belaga, EPA Region I (August 20, 1992). Concerning a request for update of activities at the site.
6. Letter from Julie Belaga, EPA Region I to John H. Chafee, Member of the U.S. Senate (September 11, 1992). Concerning an update of activities at the site.

16.0 Natural Resource Trustee

16.1 Correspondence

1. Letter from C. Carrick Brooke-Davidson, United States Department of Justice Land and Natural Resource Division to David B. Graham, Freedman, Ley, Kroll & Simonds (Attorney for the "Ashland" Settling Parties) and Paul J. Lambert, Bingham, Dana & Gould (Attorney for the "Ashland" Settling Parties) (July 10, 1987) with the attached Letter from Katherine A. Pease, United States Department of Commerce National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to C. Carrick Brooke-Davidson, United States Department of Justice Land and Natural Resource Division (July 9, 1987). Concerning United States Department of Commerce National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's decision not to grant settling parties a release from liability at that time.
3. Letter from Merrill S. Hohman, EPA Region I to William Patterson, Department of the Interior (September 2, 1992). Concerning notification of potential damages to natural resources at the site.
16.1 Correspondence (cont'd.)

4. Letter from Merrill S. Hohman, EPA Region I to John Lindsay, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (September 2, 1992). Concerning notification of potential damages to natural resources at the site.

16.3 Natural Resource Trustee Release

1. Letter from Ralph W. Tarr, United States Department of the Interior Office of The Solicitor to Roger J. Marzulla, United States Department of Justice Land and Natural Resource Division (September 10, 1987). Concerning the authorization of the Department of Justice Land and Natural Resource Division to act on behalf of the Department of the Interior Office of The Solicitor in the negotiation and eventual settlement of the Picillo case.

16.4 Trustee Notification Form and Selection Guide

1. Letter from Linda M. Murphy for Merrill S. Hohman, EPA Region I to Kenneth Finkelstein, United States Department of Commerce National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (May 26, 1988) with attached "Trustee Notification Form" and "Guide to Trustee Selection." Concerning notification of potential natural resources damages.

16.5 Technical Issue Papers


17.0 Site Management Records

17.2 Access Records

1. Letter from Merrill S. Hohman, EPA Region I to Addressees (June 18, 1990) with attached "List of Addressees for the Access Letter - Picillo Ground Water RI/FS." Concerning a request by EPA that permission be given by the Addressees for EPA, its agents, contractors, and other authorized representatives to have access to property surrounding the site.

17.4 Site Photographs/Maps

The record cited in entry number 1 is oversized and may be reviewed, by appointment only, at the EPA Region I Records Center in Boston, Massachusetts.


17.5 Site Descriptions/Chronologies

Section II

Guidance Documents
GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

EPA guidance documents may be reviewed at the EPA Region I Records Center in Boston, Massachusetts.


3. Memorandum from J. Winston Porter to Addressees ("Regional Administrators, Regions I-X; Regional Counsel, Regions I-X; Director, Waste Management Division, Regions I, IV, V, VII, and VIII; Director, Emergency and Remedial Response Division, Region II; Director, Hazardous Waste Management Division, Regions III and VI; Director, Toxics and Waste Management Division, Region IX; Director, Hazardous Waste Division, Region X; Environmental Services Division Directors, Region I, VI, and VII"), July 9, 1987 (discussing interim guidance on compliance with applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements).

4. Memorandum from Francis S. Blake, General Counsel, to J. Winston Porter, Assistant Administrator for Solid Waste and Emergency Response, July 31, 1987 (discussing the scope of the CERCLA petroleum exclusion under sections 101 (14) and 104 (a) (2)).


