

# NPL Site Narrative for Hooker (102nd Street)

## HOOKER (102ND STREET) Niagara Falls, New York

**Conditions at listing (December 1982):** The Hooker portion of the 102nd Street Landfill covers 16 acres east of Griffon Park in Niagara Falls, Niagara County, New York. From 1943 to 1975, Occidental Chemicals Corp. (formerly known as Hooker Chemicals and Plastics Corp.) dumped approximately 23,000 tons of chemical waste at the site, including hexachlorocyclohexanes, organic phosphates, chlorinated hydrocarbons (including chlorinated benzenes and toluenes), benzyl chloride, benzoyl, and acids.

Both surface water and ground water are contaminated. The point where wastes have leached into the Niagara River is about 2.8 miles upstream of the intake tunnels for Niagara Falls' water treatment plant, which serves about 77,000 people. Besides contamination of the river and the city's drinking water supply, the other major concern is the contamination of Lake Erie.

The Department of Justice, on behalf of EPA, has brought a Federal civil action seeking injunctive relief against parties potentially responsible for wastes associated with the site.

**Status (July 1983):** EPA is planning a remedial investigation/feasibility study to determine the type and extent of contamination at the site and identify alternatives for remedial action.

For more information about the hazardous substances identified in this narrative summary, including general information regarding the effects of exposure to these substances on human health, please see the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) ToxFAQs. ATSDR ToxFAQs can be found on the Internet at [ATSDR - ToxFAQs](http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaqs/index.asp) (<http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaqs/index.asp>) or by telephone at 1-888-42-ATSDR or 1-888-422-8737.