

Ruetgers-Nease

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RE: August 1992 Monthly Report
RI/FS
Ruetgers-Nease - State College, Pennsylvania Site

In accordance with Paragraph VIII E of the Administrative Order by Consent regarding a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study of the Ruetgers-Nease Chemical Company, Inc., in State College, Pennsylvania, attached is a copy of the August 1992 Progress Report.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding activities discussed in this report.

Sincerely,

Tamara C. Royer
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RUETGERS-NEASE CHEMICAL COMPANY, INC.
REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION/FEASIBILITY STUDY
STATE COLLEGE, PENNSYLVANIA SITE

August 1992 Monthly Progress Report

I. ACTIVITIES COMPLETED DURING AUGUST 1992

The activities completed during August 1992 are described on the attached project activity summary table and in the narrative below. Except where noted in this narrative, all activities were performed in accordance with the approved RISOP and the Remedial Investigation Progress Report.

Activities completed during the month included forwarding copies of Chapter 4 of the RI to USEPA and PaDER on August 7, 1992 for review and comment and preparation work for the Sediment Toxicity Investigation of Spring Creek. Additionally, the photomirex retrieval work was completed and forwarded to the USEPA on August 25, 1992.

II. VARIATIONS FROM THE APPROVED RISOP AND RI PROGRESS REPORT

There are no variations from the approved RISOP or Progress Report to report during this month.

III. ANALYTICAL RESULTS FROM SAMPLING ACTIVITIES

The analytical results of the photomirex retrieval were received and sent to the USEPA on August 25, 1992.

IV. PROJECT SCHEDULE

The attached project activity summary table lists the various completion dates for the Phase 1 and Phase 2 field activities, the Draft RI Report and Draft Baseline Risk Assessment.

V. DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED AND ACTIONS TAKEN TO RESOLVE PROBLEMS

There were no difficulties encountered during this month.

VI. PERSONNEL CHANGES

Gregory P. Smoot of SMC Environmental Services Group has assumed the project responsibilities of Jeffrey K. Walsh.

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VII. SCHEDULED PROJECT ACTIVITIES - SEPTEMBER 1992

The Sediment Toxicity Testing program was performed on September 9-10, 1992. The USEPA written comments are anticipated to be forwarded by September 22, 1992 and revision of the Draft RI report will be initiated.

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RUETGERS-NEASE CHEMICAL COMPANY, INC.
STATE COLLEGE RI/FS
PROJECT ACTIVITY SUMMARY
AUGUST 1992

ACTIVITY	TARGET		ACTUAL		ON SCHEDULE (YES/NO)
	START	COMPLETE	START	COMPLETE	
Phase 1 RI Activities	Sept. 10, 1990	Jan. 25, 1991	Sept. 10, 1990	July 15, 1991	Completed
RI Progress Report			Mar. 18, 1991	Sept. 19, 1991	Completed
Phase 2 Monitoring Well Installation	Oct. 14, 1991	Nov. 22, 1991	Oct. 14, 1991	Feb. 28, 1992	Completed
Phase 2 Sediment Sampling Evaluation	Oct. 21, 1991	Oct. 21, 1991	Oct. 25, 1991	Oct. 25, 1991	Completed
Phase 2 Surface Soil Sampling	Nov. 25, 1991	Nov. 25, 1991	Nov. 18, 1991	Nov. 18, 1991	Completed
Phase 2 Soil Boring	Nov. 25, 1991	Dec. 10, 1991	Nov. 25, 1991	Dec. 6, 1991	Completed
Phase 2 Surface Water/Sediment Sampling	Nov. 26, 1991	Nov. 26, 1991	Nov. 14, 1991	Nov. 14, 1991	Completed
Survey Well Elevations	Nov. 25, 1991	Nov. 27, 1991	Apr. 2, 1992	May 11, 1992	Completed
Borehole Geophysics (Abramson's Well)	Oct. 23, 1991	Oct. 23, 1991	Oct. 24, 1991	Oct. 24, 1991	Completed
Static Flow Conditions Evaluation, Qualitative Well Response Testing	Oct. 28, 1991	Dec. 24, 1991	Oct. 28, 1991	May 11, 1992	Completed
Ground Water Sampling	Dec. 9, 1991	Dec. 13, 1991	Mar. 16, 1992	Apr. 2, 1992	Completed
Draft Baseline Risk Assessment	Apr. 1, 1992	July 7, 1992 ¹	Apr. 1, 1992	July 7, 1992 ¹	Completed
90% Draft Remedial Investigation Report	Apr. 1, 1992	July 7, 1992 ¹	Apr. 1, 1992	July 7, 1992 ¹	Completed
Photomirex Retrieval	July 1, 1992	Aug. 26, 1992 -Sept. 9, 1992	July 1, 1992	Aug. 25, 1992	Completed
Sediment Toxicity Testing Program	Sept. 7, 1992 ¹	Pending	Sept. 9, 1992		Yes

¹ Tentative schedule to begin the week of Sept. 7, 1992