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Subject: Trip Report Fpr I Gurman & BiState Sites

Please see attached trip report regarding the foregoing sites. Should anyone in the chain have any questions, comments, suggestions, please advise. Thank you.



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Date: May 5, 2003

Travelers: **Frank Boenzi & Fouad Dababneh**

Destination: Indianapolis, IN

Site Names: **I Gurman & Sons** and **Bi-State Products**

Site/Spill Numbers:

Purpose: Visit state contact, review files, and makes necessary copies.

Locations Visited and Purpose:

Visited Indiana EPA located at 100 N. Senate Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46206-6015. The purpose was to interview Rich Molini, telephone (317) 233-1512. In addition, we planned on the review of state files and making necessary copies.

Interviews:

Visited Indiana EPA and met with Rich Molini, Environmental Manager, Site Investigation Section, Remediation Services Branch and Dawn M. Groves, State Cleanup Section. Conducted discussions and obtained copies of state files.

Results:

Discussions were conducted with Molini and Groves and appropriate duplicates of state files were obtained. Molini and Groves stated that they would assist, if necessary, EPA's efforts to draft 104 questions. Specifically, questions relating to monitoring well locations would be helpful. Included in discussions was the inspection report completed by the state.

The state has monitoring wells and has hits of TCE and PCE (Trichloroethylene), (Tetrachlorethylene) on I Gurman and BiState properties. PRP's have been identified for both sites. For the time being, Robert Gurman and father are the PRP's for I Gurman & Sons. For BiState, the PRP's are: Ashland Oil going backward to Valvoline, Hans Eilbracht, BiState, Consolidated Recycling Co., and Texaco.

Follow-up:

I am recommending that selected key I Gurman people be interviewed regarding the purchase of drums for refurbishment, contract refurbishment, procedures for disposal of waste materials in the drums when they were received including when, where, how, who. Afterward, perhaps another meeting with state on findings.

With regard to BiState, we should obtain clarification about the details of the tank that was removed between the office building and the old warehouse. This would include

when, who, how, where. Moreover, what was the use of the tank? What evidence exists that documents the distribution of parts cleaning solvents from the facility when it was a petroleum jobber? Obtain a written statement from the owner on the operation of the firm when he owned and operated it including from whom he leased the property, who purchased him out, and what did the new company do when he was bought out. We should attempt to establish a connection between Valvoline and BiState. We should obtain research information on the corporate history of the operation across the street with a title search with chain of title. This operation owned and leased the land to BiState. Finally, and for now, this site will require another visit to the state regarding information Indiana EPA may have on this firm across the street from BiState.