

SUMMARY REPORT

Amphenol/Franklin Site Stakeholders Monthly Call

April 26, 2021, 4:00 p.m. CDT/5:00 p.m. EDT

Facilitator Pam Avery opened the meeting with a welcome and roll call of meeting participants (names of participants below) and then turned the meeting over to Ed Nam, EPA Land, Chemicals and Redevelopment Division (LCRD) Director, and Carolyn Bury, EPA Corrective Action Project Manager, for an update on EPA activities.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Update:

EPA received the Corrective Measures Study (CMS) on March 12 and is working on preparing the Statement of Basis document that will be put out for public review and comment this summer. In addition, Amphenol and the City of Franklin discussed repairs on the onsite portion of Franklin's stormwater sewer system. Franklin approved the repair work which is scheduled to begin within the next two weeks (early May) and will take about a month to complete. No excavation activity will be associated with the sewer rehabilitation.

No questions were asked of EPA officials.

Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM)

IDEM Remediation Services Branch Chief Kevin Davis provided the following updates on the Houglan and Arvin sites:

Former Houglan Cannery:

IDEM has finished its review of the remediation progress monitoring report for the western portion of Houglan that had the "dig and haul." The report summarized the effectiveness of the remedial action and noted that in all but one well (MW-30) the levels of TCE and PCE have gone down. In well MW-30, the levels originally went down in June, but then rose again in December to pre-remediation levels. Additional monitoring was recommended to determine if the remediation was effective or whether additional remediation measures would be required. IDEM is awaiting the next groundwater sampling report to determine a course of action.

On the eastern portion of the site, IDEM has reviewed the further site investigation report. Based upon the current land-use, as well as the report results, IDEM agrees with the consultant's (Patriot) conclusions that another round of groundwater sampling is needed to determine if the full delineation of the groundwater plume is complete. IDEM is awaiting the next round of sampling to determine next steps.

IDEM has not received the vapor mitigation report for the Recycling Center. The report will outline how the vapor intrusion in that facility will be addressed beyond the installed interim measures. The comment letter also noted that a permanent solution must also be identified for the contamination under the floor should the Recycling Center ever be torn down. The permanent

solution should address any residual contaminated soils or any future new construction, as well as the current building.

Former Arvin site:

IDEM received and is reviewing the Environmental Restricted Covenant (ERC) to make sure it meets the agency's criteria. A comment letter is pending the receipt of the Institutional Controls review.

Questions & Comments

Steve Carter of U.S. Senator Mike Braun's Office told the group that Senator Braun had driven through Franklin the previous Friday and asked how the Amphenol site was progressing. Steve provided him with a synopsis of the reports from the past few months and Senator Braun asked him to express his appreciation for the attention that has been given to the matter, recognizing the challenges that have occurred due to the pandemic. Members of the EPA and IDEM thanked him for this report.

Franklin Mayor Steve Barnett asked about the timeline for the Hoagland site. Kevin Davis told him that the next groundwater sampling, to determine the plume delineation in the eastern portion of the site, will occur either in April or May. Once the report is delivered, it typically takes 30 to 60 days for geology, chemistry and risk to review. Once that's complete, IDEM will be finished with the investigation and will move on to the remediation work plan. This process typically takes 60 days or longer. Kevin added that since the majority of the data has been available to the consultant since last summer, it's within the agency's right to request a fast timeframe regarding a remediation plan for the plume that runs east onto farmland. The project manager has indicated that IDEM will receive a comprehensive report with the next round of groundwater sampling, so IDEM anticipates delineation will be complete at that time.

Kevin explained that the western portion of the site is in the monitoring phase. IDEM will ask for additional injections or another remedy if the numbers in monitoring well MW-30 have not decreased in the next round of sampling. He said he cannot predict when the monitoring will be concluded, but that the next round of sampling should help determine whether additional remediation is needed.

Dr. Motria Caudill, of the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), asked if one of the wells was deeper than the others and if so what that means. Kevin responded that in this area there are a shallow and a deep well and the numbers in the deep well were looking good, which indicates the plume is not deep in that area. Monitoring well MW-30, where the numbers originally went down after remediation activities but then popped up to the pre-remediation levels, is a shallow well. He said IDEM will evaluate how to address this well after the next sampling report is completed and reviewed.

With no further questions or comments, the Amphenol Franklin Site Stakeholders Meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m. CDT/5:20 p.m. EDT. The next stakeholders call is scheduled for **Monday May 24, 2021, at 4:00 CDT/5:00 p.m. EDT**. An invitation will be sent to all stakeholders.

April 26, 2021, Meeting Participants:

EPA: Ed Nam, Carolyn Bury, Joe Cisneros, Eric Pohl, Phillippa Cannon, Kirstin Safakas, Bhooma Sundar, and Scott Ireland

ATSDR: Dr. Motria Caudill

IDEM: Kevin Davis

Local/State Stakeholders: Franklin Mayor Steve Barnett, Tara Payne (City of Franklin), Betsy Swearingen (Johnson County Health Department), Casey McFall (EnviroForensics), Terry Seitz and Steve Carter (U.S. Senator Braun's Office)

AveryMassey: Pam Avery, facilitator; Rachel Massey, note taker