

Amphenol/Franklin Site Stakeholders Monthly Call

August 23, 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, for EPA's opening comments. Ed introduced Chris Black as the new EPA Corrective Action Project Manager, replacing Carolyn Bury, who will be retiring this fall. He also introduced Shilpa Patel, Acting Section Chief, Corrective Action Section 2, who was on the call.

Ed mentioned that Chris Black would provide a brief overview of the July 26, 2021, Mundell Report Technical Working session in addition to the current Amphenol Franklin site updates. Franklin stakeholder Patty Meade asked who was on the July 26 call and why EPA would conduct a separate meeting with If It Was Your Child (IIWYC) since IIWYC "was suing many of the participants on the Amphenol Franklin stakeholder call." EPA responded that they were not aware that EPA was a party to the existing lawsuits, but asked Ms. Meade to provide any additional information she wished to share.

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

Chris Black provided an overview of the technical working session conducted on July 26 regarding the Mundell & Associates (Mundell) TCE Groundwater Plume Model Report that the EPA received on June 1, 2021. EPA sent questions to Mundell about technical aspects of the Report in advance of the July 26 meeting. Some of the technical questions were addressed during the teleconference but time ran out on the call before the discussion could be completed. Mundell told EPA that written responses to all of the questions will be sent to EPA within a few weeks and prior to another meeting being scheduled. EPA responses regarding the Mundell Report have and will be uploaded to the Franklin Amphenol webpage, <https://www.epa.gov/in/amphenolfranklin-power-products-franklin-ind>.

Patty Meade asked why others were not invited to join the July 26 teleconference and what the timeline is for IIWYC/Mundell to respond to EPA's questions. EPA said that the July 26 teleconference was a technical working session and not a formal public meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to clarify technical information and assumptions in the Mundell Report. The timeline for response is the same as the upcoming Statement of Basis comment period. All comments will be made public.

Tara Payne, Chief of Staff, City of Franklin, IN, questioned why stakeholders are having these calls when IIWYC is having separate calls and not attending the stakeholder call and Patty Meade asked why IIWYC was able to have separate meetings with EPA. Facilitator Pam Avery explained that the July 26 meeting to go over the Mundell & Associates Report was not a public meeting, but rather a technical working session. Ed Nam explained that the technical working session had been mentioned during the July 12, 2021, Amphenol Franklin Stakeholders call and that the outcome of the technical working session would be posted to the Amphenol Franklin webpage. Franklin Mayor Steve Barnett asked if EnviroForensics could participate in

future technical working sessions with the EPA and Mundell & Associates and was told that they would be included going forward.

EPA has been reviewing the Second Supplemental Corrective Measures Study (SSCMS) submitted by Amphenol prior to drafting the Statement of Basis document and has been discussing various SSCMS topics with Amphenol and its consultants. There is a lot of personally identifiable information (PII) in the SSCMS that is not allowed in a public document and so EPA has been working with its legal staff on how to prepare an alternative public review document that omits the PII.

EPA and Amphenol have also discussed the interpretation of some of the groundwater and soil data taken from areas west and northwest of the Site. EPA approved a July 29 supplemental sampling work plan to sample at nine locations, including west of the Site (contingent upon access) and west of North Forsythe Street. The soil samples were collected Aug 9 and Aug.10, 2021, with the installation of the temporary well points. The groundwater samples were collected Aug 16 and 17, 2021.

On July 14, 2021, Carolyn Bury, Chris Black, and Valerie Voisin of EPA held a project transition meeting with Amphenol and consultant IWM.

IWM provided a report dated July 13, 2021, on the storm sewer rehabilitation project and that report is now posted on the Amphenol Franklin webpage, <https://www.epa.gov/in/amphenolfranklin-power-products-franklin-ind>.

EPA also posted some historical documents on the web page, including the Site's 1997 Statement of Basis (SB), the SB transmittal letters to agencies, residential and business mailing lists, and the public notification letter about the SB, which includes information on where to review the document and how to provide comments.

No further questions were asked of EPA.

Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) Updates:

Kevin Davis, Remediation Services Branch Chief, provided the following updates.

Former Hougland Cannery Site:

- Eastern portion: The IDEM technical staff review was completed on June 18, 2021. The submitted Remediation Work Plan is available in VFC #83172153, and the June 25, 2021, submitted Final Report for Further Site Investigation #4 is available in VFC #83177423.

IDEM issued a comment letter on August 5, 2021, which is available in VFC #83204214. A meeting to go over the comment letter was conducted with the consultant

on August 23, 2021, and all attending were in agreement about the ways to proceed at the site. The consultant mentioned needing to obtain the insurer's approval of the plan but was told by IDEM that the insurer's approval must not interfere with the timely implementation of the remedial action.

- Crossroads Recycling Center: Post-installation monitoring was conducted to check the effectiveness of an interim sub-slab remediation system installed in June 2021 by Protect Environmental. Results of samples collected July 2 and 30, 2021, showed a significant reduction in sub-slab TCE vapor levels. An 8-hour and 24-hour indoor sampling was subsequently conducted in the office on August 12, 2021. Test results showed no detections of the chlorinated contaminants of concern in the building office.
- Implementation of downgradient groundwater remediation measures is still planned for mid-September 2021. The property owner of the farm field has given his permission for the work to be done.
- Western portion: IDEM is awaiting the consultant's next proposal to address contaminant levels in MW-30.

Former Arvin Site:

- IDEM is awaiting a deed recorded copy of the finalized Environmental Restrictive Covenant from the property owner, once received, the next step is to issue a No Further Action letter.

No questions were asked of IDEM

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) Updates

ATSDR Region 5 Environmental Health Scientist Motria Caudill, Ph.D., began her report by explaining that ATSDR is a federal public health agency that is part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. ATSDR was invited by EPA and others to draft an environmental health assessment of the Amphenol and Hougland Franklin sites.

The agency has been compiling data on outdoor air, indoor air, groundwater, and drinking water reported by EPA and IDEM. ATSDR has a standard process to assess whether the documented exposures have the potential to contribute to non-cancer and cancer health effects in exposed persons. Northeast Franklin is an unusual site in that there are two different plumes in relatively adjacent plots of land with many facilities where people could potentially be exposed to contaminants.

Dr. Caudill said that ATSDR, as an objective third party, is able to look at all available exposure data regardless of the regulatory/enforcement process. The agency has a relatively complete draft report that is under review and should be publicly released within several months. The full report will have separate sections on indoor air and drinking water and will indicate whether there is a potential health hazard and, if so, what mitigation measures can be taken.

Franklin Mayor Steve Barnett clarified that the City of Franklin does not have a municipal water system. He said Indiana American Water supplies the city's municipal water.

Dr. Caudill thanked him for his comment and said that ATSDR looks at current, past and future exposure and does include this water source.

No further questions were asked of ATSDR

Other Comments

Kevin Davis and Tara Payne commended Carolyn Bury for her work on the Amphenol Franklin site. They said they had enjoyed working with her and congratulated her on her impending retirement.

With no further questions or comments, the stakeholders meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m. CDT/5:45 p.m. EDT. The next Amphenol Franklin Stakeholders Call will be 4:00 p.m. CDT/5:00 p.m. EDT on Monday September 27, 2021. A meeting agenda will be sent to all stakeholders prior to the call.

August 23, 2021, Meeting Participants:

EPA: Ed Nam, Chris Black, Carolyn Bury, Shilpa Patel, Joe Cisneros, Phillipa Cannon, Scott Ireland, Bhooma Sundar, Valerie Voisin, Gillian Asque

IDEM: Kevin Davis, Ryan Clem

ATSDR: Dr. Motria Caudill

Local/State Stakeholders: Patty Meade, Mayor Steve Barnett and Tara Payne (City of Franklin), Casey McFall (EnviroForensics), Terry Seitz (U.S. Senator Mike Braun's Office)

AveryMassey: Pam Avery, facilitator