

Amphenol/Franklin Site Stakeholders Monthly Call Summary Report

February 14, 2022, 4:00 p.m. CST/5:00 p.m. EST

Facilitator Pam Avery opened the meeting with a welcome and roll call of participants (names of participants below) and then turned the meeting over to Chris Black, EPA Region 5 Corrective Action Project Manager, to provide the EPA site updates.

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

Chris Black said that as planned in January IWM did a few more borings just northwest of the Amphenol Franklin site to finish up the planned soil and groundwater sampling first conducted in August 2021. He said lab verification results still is needed, but that he thinks the results will be incorporated into the Corrective Measure Study as is.

EPA also is working on a draft letter concerning the Second Supplemental Corrective Measure Study, which is near final.

Regarding the timing of the Statement of Basis, Chris said EPA that has concerns about the February/March release timeline. These concerns included the time needed to create the thorough review process needed to produce a good SB, including getting the administrative record together on the EPA's new system and public outreach. Due to these concerns, EPA currently anticipates that the SB will be released within a late-April to mid-May time period.

Chris said that while no one wants to hear about a delay in the release of the SB, that pushing the release to that timeframe would provide a safe date to develop items needed to successfully notify the public and have responses ready for questions that might be asked in the public comment period. He added that the decision was not done lightly but that EPA wants to set a firm date that the agency can stick to.

EPA Update Questions & Comments

City of Franklin Mayor Steve Barnett asked EPA to confirm that the date had been changed from February/March to late-April/mid-May. He then said that he has felt that for months that progress has seemed to slow down. He asked EPA not to slow the process because the agency has done a lot of work in a short period of time. He acknowledged that EPA has done the testing, but that it's taken longer to get the results than what occurred early on and that this keeps pushing the timeline back. He asked if EPA can stick to the April/May date and not keeping pushing the SB release date forward.

Chris Black responded that he understands Mayor Barnett's frustration and that EPA will stick to the new SB delivery date.

Shannon Lisa, If It Was Your Child consultant, asked if Amphenol is still collecting active data to include in the Statement of Basis or if all the data that will be placed in the SB has been collected and now just needs to be compiled. She added that she is also curious about what the

schedule for groundwater and soil monitoring has been and will continue to be through this process. She asked if it's quarterly, semi-annually, and about the current status.

Chris Black responded that EPA has all of the data needed to make its remedial decisions. He added that there will be timelines for data collection going forward, the details of which will be in the proposed remedy.

Kari Rhinehart, of If It Was Your Child, asked about the format of the public comment period. She says she knows it is a 45-day period, but wondered if there will be a variety of ways, or just one way for people to comment.

Kirstin Safakas, EPA Region 5 Community Involvement Coordinator, explained that there will be plenty of routes to engage during the public comment period. She said there will be a virtual public meeting, in which stakeholders can provide comment. Fact sheets and Frequently Asked Questions documents will be sent to the community highlighting the SB, along with a comment sheet that people can fill out and mail back to EPA. Emailed comments are also welcome, and EPA will set up a confidential voicemail system for callers to leave comments.

Kari said this sounded "great," and asked how EPA defines "community," in terms of the mailers.

Kirstin replied that, generally, when EPA sends out paper contact information to residents, it goes to properties within a mile buffer of the site, or in this case the plume.

With no further questions or comments for EPA, Pam Avery turned the meeting over to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management.

Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) Updates

Tim Johnson, Senior Environmental Manager, said IDEM doesn't have much to report since the January 10 Amphenol Franklin Stakeholders Meeting report.

Former Hougland Cannery Site:

Eastern portion (Hurricane Industrial Development): Injections planned for the farm field east of Hurricane Development in January 2022 have been moved to February/March 2022 due to contractors' scheduling difficulties and the weather. Tim added that work should start anytime. Regarding the Pilot testing for the permanent remediation system at the Recycling Facility, it's the same situation. Work scheduled for late January has been moved to February/March 2022.

Western portion (Reed Manufacturing): Monitoring will continue but there was no new monitoring since the January 2022 Amphenol Franklin Stakeholders Meeting.

Former Arvin Site:

IDEM has drafted the No Further Action letter that will be sent to the property owner once the cost recovery is completed and confirmed. That process is still ongoing.

IDEM Questions, Comments and Responses

Mayor Steve Barnett told Tim Johnson that someone was on the eastern portion of the site that day (February 14). Tim asked him if it looked like they were doing injections and Mayor Barnett said he didn't think so. Tim responded that he anticipates that will start in the next week or so.

With no further questions or comments, the stakeholders meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m. CST/5:20 p.m. EST. A summary report of the February 14, 2022, Stakeholders Meeting will be emailed to all participants. The next Amphenol Franklin Stakeholders Call will be **4:00 p.m. CDT/5:00 p.m. EDT on Monday March 28, 2022**. A meeting invitation and an agenda will be sent to stakeholders prior to the call.

February 14, 2022, Meeting Participants:

EPA: Shilpa Patel, Joe Cisneros, Chris Black, Kirstin Safakas, Phillipa Cannon, Bhooma Sundar, Scott Ireland, Valerie Voisin, Gillian Asque

ATSDR: Dr. Motria Caudil

IDEM: Tim Johnson, Kevin Davis

Local/State Stakeholders: Kari Rhinehart (IIWYC); Mayor Steve Barnett and Tara Payne (City of Franklin); Betsy Swearingen (Johnson County Health Department); Casey McFall and Samantha Henderson (EnviroForensics); Shannon Lisa (consultant to IIWYC)

AveryMassey: Pam Avery, Facilitator, Rachel Massey, note taker