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19 Former Service Station Sites in Sayre Deemed "Ready for Reuse"

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Oklahoma Corporation Commission (OCC) will issue a "Ready for Reuse" determination to the city of Sayre, Okla., verifying that environmental conditions at 19 underground storage tank sites are protective of human health and the environment based on their current use and anticipated future use as commercial/industrial properties. The sites were the first investigated and, where necessary, cleaned under OCC's "Community Project," a program to help small communities address blighted former service stations.

WHO: Carl Edlund, EPA Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division Director

Brooks Mitchell, OCC Petroleum Storage Tank Division Director

Jack Ivester, Mayor of Sayre

Jack McKennon, Sayre City Manager

WHERE: Sayre Public Library

113 E. Poplar Sayre, Okla.

WHEN: 1:00 p.m., Wednesday

Oct. 22, 2003