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Agreement Reached for Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Riverfront Superfund Site, Operable Unit 2, New Haven, Missouri

INTRODUCTION

On March 16, 2004, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Kellwood Company (Kellwood) signed an agreement whereby Kellwood agreed to conduct a Remedial Investigation /Feasibility Study (RI/FS) at Operable Unit 2 (OU2) of the Riverfront Superfund Site in New Haven, Missouri. This action is being taken under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), also known as the Superfund law.

A Remedial Investigation is a detailed study which identifies the cause and extent of the contamination and the possible threats to the environment and the people nearby. The Feasibility Study details the options for cleaning up the site.

SITE BACKGROUND

The contamination at this site consists of the volatile organic compound (VOC) tetrachloroethene (PCE) which was detected in two public-supply ground water wells in the northern part of New Haven in 1986. After discovering the contamination, two new public-supply wells were installed in the southern part of the city, and several investigations were conducted by EPA and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) to determine the source, rate, and extent of the contamination.

ABOUT OU2 CONTAMINATION

Operable Unit 2 involves PCE contamination in a southern New Haven area where Kellwood formerly operated an aluminum fabricating facility which utilized PCE as a degreaser.

Under an agreement with MDNR, Kellwood addressed an area of soil contamination within OU2 in 1994. However, following the conclusion of this soil response action, PCE was detected in the aquifer underlying the site above drinking water standards.

PCE has also been found in a creek to the south of the site and in the sanitary sewers emanating from the site which extend throughout the town. Under this agreement, Kellwood has agreed to conduct a thorough investigation of the contamination found at this area.

In addition to this agreement, in March of 2002, Kellwood and EPA entered into an agreement whereby Kellwood agreed to provide whole-house filtration for those persons whose drinking water wells have been affected by PCE from OU2.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

EPA encourages community members to review the Administrative Record for the site. The Administrative Record is available for public review at the following locations during normal working hours:

New Haven Scenic Regional Library
109 Maupin
New Haven, Missouri

EPA Region 7
Records Center
901 N. 5th Street
Kansas City, Kansas

These, and many other site documents,
are also available at:

<http://mo.water.usgs.gov/epa/nh/>

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