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STATEMENT OF BASIS

PARIS COMPANIES
(FORMERLY ROLA, an ESMARK COMPANY FACILITY)
DUBOIS, PENNSYLVANIA

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I. Introduction

A. Facility Name

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has prepared this Statement of Basis (SB) for the Paris Companies (formerly Rola, an Esmark Company) facility located at 67 Hoover Avenue, Dubois, PA 15801 (hereinafter referred to as the Facility).

The Facility is subject to the Corrective Action program under the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) of 1976, and the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (HSWA) of 1984, 42 U.S.C. Sections 6901 to 6992k. The Corrective Action program is designed to ensure that certain facilities subject to RCRA have investigated and cleaned up any releases of hazardous waste and hazardous constituents that have occurred at their property.

Information on the Corrective Action program as well as a fact sheet for the Facility can be found by navigating <http://www.epa.gov/reg3wcmd/correctiveaction.htm>.

B. Proposed Decision

This SB explains EPA’s proposed decision that Corrective Action is complete and no land use controls are required for the Facility. EPA’s proposed decision is based on a review of EPA and Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) files regarding the environmental history of the Facility as presented in the Final Environmental Indicator Inspection Report submitted in March 2004. Based on this review, EPA has concluded that there are no current or unaddressed releases of hazardous waste or hazardous constituents from the Facility. Therefore, no further corrective action or controls are required at the Facility at this time.

C. Importance of Public Input

Before EPA makes a final decision for the Facility, the public may participate in the remedy selection process by reviewing this SB and documents contained in the Administrative Record (AR) for the Facility. The AR contains the complete set of reports that document Facility conditions, including a map of the Facility, in support of EPA's proposed decision. EPA encourages anyone interested to review the AR. The AR is available for public review at the EPA Region III office, the address of which is provided in Section V, below.

EPA will address all significant comments received during the public comment period. If EPA determines that new information or public comments warrant a modification to the proposed decision, EPA will modify the proposed decision or select other alternatives based on such new information and/or public comments. EPA will approve its final decision in a document entitled the Final Decision and Response to Comments (FDRTC).

II. Facility Background

The former Rola facility is located at 67 Hoover Avenue in DuBois, Pennsylvania, which is currently occupied by Paris, Incorporated. The site can be found at 41° 07' 17" north latitude and 78° 41' 17" west longitude of the DuBois, Pennsylvania quadrangle topographic map.

The areal extent of the site is approximately 5.4 acres and consists of one building. The building is two stories and is approximately 800 feet long and 400 feet wide. The entire facility is surrounded by a paved surface except for occasional areas covered with crushed stone. Parking areas are located on all four sides of the building. The site is surrounded on all sides by a six-foot chain-linked fence.

Rola leased the property from the Clearfield County Industrial Development Authority for an unknown period of time until 1986. During this period, the site was used to manufacture radio transmitters/speakers. No information is available in regard to specific operations carried out by Rola at the DuBois facility. According to the June 3, 1991 *Preliminary Assessment of Rola, An Esmark Company* written by NUS, the facility was possibly used to install magnets and speaker cones on metal frames, following production of parts at the Rola Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania plant.

In the late 1980s to early 1990s, Rola changed its name to International Jensen (NUS January 21, 1991).

Hazardous wastes generated on-site by Rola include Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) waste identification numbers D001 (ignitable), F002 (spent halogenated solvents and still bottoms from solvent recovery), F003 (spent non-halogenated solvents and still bottoms from solvent recovery), and F005 (spent non-halogenated solvents and still bottoms from solvent recovery). All hazardous wastes were listed under process code S01, indicating drum storage. According to the June 3, 1991 NUS Preliminary Assessment, Rola generated approximately 34,500 kilograms (kg) of D001 waste annually, including adhesive waste (methyl ethyl ketone (MEK), toluene, xylene, acetone, n-butyl acetate), various solvents (1,1,1-trichloroethene, trichloroethylene, organic peroxides), paint thinner waste and paint sludge (methyl isobutyl ketone, isopropyl alcohol, ethanol). Approximately 4,500 kg of F002 waste

were generated annually; in particular, Rola generated 1,1,1-trichloroethane. Rola generated approximately 200 kg of F003 wastes (xylene, methyl isobutyl ketone and ethyl acetate) and approximately 400 kg of F005 waste (toluene and MEK) annually.

Paris purchased the facility in approximately 1986. Presently, the site is occupied by Paris, which uses the facility to launder clothing, rugs, health-care linens and rented uniforms. Laundering equipment on-site includes washing machines, dryers and two dry-cleaning machines. Paris manages large quantities of laundry detergents, fabric softeners, bleaches and hydrogen peroxide on-site. The majority of the detergents and fabric softeners used at the facility are delivered to the facility via tanker trucks and pumped into outdoor ports which lead directly into the Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) storage tanks located on the second floor. These tanks directly feed the laundering products into the six (600-pound capacity) washing machines located on the first floor. Bleach, hydrogen peroxide, detergent and fabric softeners for smaller washers, as well as detergents and fabric softeners for medical laundry are delivered in drums. These drums are stored in the receiving area, inside the building. It should also be noted that medical laundry is managed and washed in a separate area on the first floor of the building. The medical laundry area also utilizes a separate lint “shaker”. Laundry wastewater from the medical laundry is discharged to the sanitary sewer.

Paris conducts dry cleaning on-site, in the dry cleaning room. In this room, two dry cleaning machines are operated along with two small washing machines. The facility purchases between 400 and 700 gallons of perchloroethylene (or tetrachloroethylene) (PCE) per year to operate the dry cleaning machines.

At the present time, the only hazardous wastes managed at the Paris, DuBois facility are waste PCE filters used in the dry cleaning machines. Safety Kleen disposes of these filters off-site.

A portion of the site was rented by Riverside Markets as a reclamation center from approximately 1990 until the mid-1990s. Processes conducted by Riverside Markets included sorting of damaged supermarket merchandise to determine what items could be salvaged. No hazardous waste was involved in these processes. During the site visit, it was noted that Paris was in the process of selling 0.64 acres of their property to the DuBois School District, for use as a soccer field, and purchasing 0.64 acres of land from the school district, to use for additional parking. The overall dimensions of the Paris property will not change resulting from this exchange.

The facility had one underground storage tank (UST) located on on-site. This UST was used for storage of heating oil and was removed prior to purchase of the property. The capacity of the UST was not available, nor was documentation regarding samples collected at the time of removal.

III. Summary of Environmental History

Records and discussions during the Environmental Indicator site visit indicate that there have been no reportable releases, no instances or evidence of soil or groundwater contamination, no site remediation, and no past, current, or planned monitoring efforts at this Facility.

IV. Evaluation of EPA's Proposed Decision

EPA has determined that its proposed decision to make a Corrective Action Complete without Controls determination for Facility is protective of human health and the environment and that no further corrective action or controls are necessary at this time.

V. Public Participation

Interested persons are invited to comment on EPA's proposed decision. The public comment period will last thirty (30) calendar days from the date that notice is published in a local newspaper. Comments may be submitted by mail, fax, e-mail, or phone to Mr. Hon Lee at the address listed below.

A public meeting will be held upon request. Requests for a public meeting should be made to Mr. Hon Lee at the address listed below. A meeting will not be scheduled unless one is requested.

The Administrative Record contains all information considered by EPA when proposing a Corrective Action Complete without Controls determination for the Facility. The Administrative Record is available at the following location:

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