

# DOCUMENTATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL INDICATOR DETERMINATION

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## RCRA Corrective Action Environmental Indicator (EI) RCRIS code (CA725) Current Human Exposures Under Control

Facility Name: Sperry Marine  
Facility Address: 1070 Seminole Trail, Charlottesville, VA  
Facility EPA ID #: VAD003123833

1. Has **all** available relevant/significant information on known and reasonably suspected releases to soil, groundwater, surface water/sediments, and air, subject to RCRA Corrective Action (e.g., from Solid Waste Management Units (SWMU), Regulated Units (RU), and Areas of Concern (AOC)), been **considered** in this EI determination?
- If yes - check here and continue with #2 below.
- If no - re-evaluate existing data, or
- If data are not available skip to #6 and enter "IN" (more information needed) status code.

### **BACKGROUND**

#### **Definition of Environmental Indicators (for the RCRA Corrective Action)**

Environmental Indicators (EI) are measures being used by the RCRA Corrective Action program to go beyond programmatic activity measures (e.g., reports received and approved, etc.) to track changes in the quality of the environment. The two EI developed to-date indicate the quality of the environment in relation to current human exposures to contamination and the migration of contaminated groundwater. An EI for non-human (ecological) receptors is intended to be developed in the future.

#### **Definition of "Current Human Exposures Under Control" EI**

A positive "Current Human Exposures Under Control" EI determination ("YE" status code) indicates that there are no "unacceptable" human exposures to "contamination" (i.e., contaminants in concentrations in excess of appropriate risk-based levels) that can be reasonably expected under current land- and groundwater-use conditions (for all "contamination" subject to RCRA corrective action at or from the identified facility (i.e., site-wide)).

#### **Relationship of EI to Final Remedies**

While Final remedies remain the long-term objective of the RCRA Corrective Action program the EI are near-term objectives which are currently being used as Program measures for the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993, GPRA). The "Current Human Exposures Under Control" EI are for reasonably expected human exposures under current land- and groundwater-use conditions ONLY, and do not consider potential future land- or groundwater-use conditions or ecological receptors. The RCRA Corrective Action program's overall mission to protect human health and the environment requires that Final remedies address these issues (i.e., potential future human exposure scenarios, future land and groundwater uses, and ecological receptors).

#### **Duration / Applicability of EI Determinations**

EI Determinations status codes should remain in RCRIS national database ONLY as long as they remain true (i.e., RCRIS status codes must be changed when the regulatory authorities become aware of contrary information).

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2. Are groundwater, soil, surface water, sediments, or air **media** known or reasonably suspected to be **“contaminated”**<sup>1</sup> above appropriately protective risk-based “levels” (applicable promulgated standards, as well as other appropriate standards, guidelines, guidance, or criteria) from releases subject to RCRA Corrective Action (from SWMUs, RUs or AOCs)?

	Yes	NO	?	Rationale / Key Contaminants
Groundwater	X			Chlorinated solvents greater than MCLs
Air (indoors) <sup>2</sup>		X		See vapor intrusion EI
Surface Soil (e.g., <2 ft)		X		All less than direct contact values for non residential soil
Surface Water	X			Chlorinated solvents greater than MCLs
Sediment		X		All less than direct contact values for non-residential soil
Subsurf. Soil (e.g., >2 ft)	X			Chlorinated solvents greater than direct contact values for non-residential soil and leach to groundwater pathway valves
Air (outdoors)		X		N/A

\_\_\_\_\_ If no (for all media) - skip to #6, and enter “YE,” status code after providing or citing appropriate “levels,” and referencing sufficient supporting documentation demonstrating that these “levels” are not exceeded.

  X   If yes (for any media) - continue after identifying key contaminants in each “contaminated” medium, citing appropriate “levels” (or provide an explanation for the determination that the medium could pose an unacceptable risk), and referencing supporting documentation.

\_\_\_\_\_ If unknown (for any media) - skip to #6 and enter “IN” status code.

Rationale and Reference(s):

Groundwater: Tetrachloroethene up to 260 ug/L (W-15), MCL=5 ug/L

Trichloroethene up to 2,600 ug/L (W-3), MCL=5 ug/L

cis-1,2-dichloroethene up to 785 ug/L (W-15), MCL=70 ug/L

Note: deed restrictions prohibiting groundwater use are in place.

Surface Water: Trichloroethene up to 65 ug/L in North Stream, MCL=5 ug/L

Tetrachloroethene up to 51 ug/L in North Stream, MCL=5 ug/L

Subsurface Soil: Trichloroethene up to 1,200 ug/kg in Boring B-7 (Feb 1987)

VRP Tier III=73 ug/kg, USEPA Region 3 RBC

(direct contact) = 7,200 ug/kg

Tetrachloroethene up to 6,200 ug/kg in Boring B-15 (Sept 1987)

VRP Tier III=2,540 ug/kg, USEPA Region 3 RBC

(direct contact) = 5,300 ug/kg

Footnotes:

<sup>1</sup> “Contamination” and “contaminated” describes media containing contaminants (in any form, NAPL and/or dissolved, vapors, or solids, that are subject to RCRA) in concentrations in excess of appropriately protective risk-based “levels” (for the media, that identify risks within the acceptable risk range).

<sup>2</sup> Recent evidence (from the Colorado Dept. of Public Health and Environment, and others) suggests that unacceptable indoor air concentrations are more common in structures above groundwater with volatile contaminants than previously believed. This is a rapidly developing field and reviewers are encouraged to look to the latest guidance for the appropriate methods and scale of demonstration necessary to be reasonably certain that indoor air (in structures located above (and adjacent to) groundwater with volatile contaminants) does not present unacceptable risks.

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3. Are there **complete pathways** between “contamination” and human receptors such that exposures can be reasonably expected under the current (land- and groundwater-use) conditions?

Summary Exposure Pathway Evaluation Table

Potential **Human Receptors** (Under Current Conditions)

<u>Contaminated Media</u>	Residents	Workers	Day-Care	Construction	Trespassers	Recreation	Food <sup>3</sup>
Groundwater	No	No	No				No
Air (indoors)							
Surface Soil (e.g., <2 ft)							
Surface Water	No	Yes			No	No	No
Sediment							
Soil (subsurface e.g., >2 ft)				Yes			
Air (outdoors)							

Instructions for Summary Exposure Pathway Evaluation Table:

- Strike-out specific Media including Human Receptors' spaces for Media which are not “contaminated”) as identified in #2 above.
- enter “yes” or “no” for potential “completeness” under each “Contaminated” Media -- Human Receptor combination (Pathway).

Note: In order to focus the evaluation to the most probable combinations some potential “Contaminated” Media - Human Receptor combinations (Pathways) do not have check spaces (“\_\_\_”). While these combinations may not be probable in most situations they may be possible in some settings and should be added as necessary.

\_\_\_ If no (pathways are not complete for any contaminated media-receptor combination) - skip to #6, and enter “YE” status code, after explaining and/or referencing condition(s) in-place, whether natural or man-made, preventing a complete exposure pathway from each contaminated medium (e.g., use optional Pathway Evaluation Work Sheet to analyze major pathways).

X If yes (pathways are complete for any “Contaminated” Media - Human Receptor combination) - continue after providing supporting explanation.

\_\_\_ If unknown (for any “Contaminated” Media - Human Receptor combination) - skip to #6 and enter “IN” status code

Rationale and Reference(s):

There are deed restrictions in place prohibiting groundwater use. Security systems (fence and guard) prevent trespassing. A vapor intrusion screening for indoor air was conducted (see RFI Workplan) and indicated that any vapor intrusion does not pose an unacceptable risk to human health. Surface soil concentrations are less than risk-based screening values for non-residential land use, and most of the site is paved. Potential surface water and subsurface soil exposure is expected to be infrequent but possible for maintenance workers.

<sup>3</sup> Indirect Pathway/Receptor (e.g., vegetables, fruits, crops, meat and dairy products, fish, shellfish, etc.)





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6. Check the appropriate RCRIS status codes for the Current Human Exposures Under Control EI event code (CA725), and obtain Supervisor (or appropriate Manager) signature and date on the EI determination below (and attach appropriate supporting documentation as well as a map of the facility):

X  YE -Yes, "Current Human Exposures Under Control" has been verified. Based on a review of the information contained in this EI Determination, "Current Human Exposures" are expected to be "Under Control" at the Sperry Marine facility, EPA ID # VAD003123833, located at 1070 Seminole Trail, Charlottesville, VA under current and reasonably expected conditions. This determination will be re-evaluated when the Agency/State becomes aware of significant changes at the facility.

   NO -"Current Human Exposures" are NOT "Under Control."

   IN -More information is needed to make a determination.

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Locations where References may be found:

Geosyntec Consultants project record files  
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**FINAL NOTE: THE HUMAN EXPOSURES EI IS A QUALITATIVE SCREENING OF EXPOSURES AND THE DETERMINATIONS WITHIN THIS DOCUMENT SHOULD NOT BE USED AS THE SOLE BASIS FOR RESTRICTING THE SCOPE OF MORE DETAILED (E.G., SITESPECIFIC) ASSESSMENTS OF RISK.**