

**United States Environmental Protection Agency  
Region III  
POLLUTION REPORT**

**Date:** Wednesday, March 19, 2008

**From:** Jack Downie

**Subject:** Removal Action

Remacor, Inc.

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Latitude: 40.9349711

Longitude: -80.3686583

<b>POLREP No.:</b>	120	<b>Site #:</b>	G3GM
<b>Reporting Period:</b>	3/18-3/19/08	<b>D.O. #:</b>	03-04-015
<b>Start Date:</b>	9/15/2006	<b>Response Authority:</b>	CERCLA
<b>Mob Date:</b>	9/15/2006	<b>Response Type:</b>	Emergency
<b>Demob Date:</b>		<b>NPL Status:</b>	Non NPL
<b>Completion Date:</b>		<b>Incident Category:</b>	Removal Action
<b>CERCLIS ID #:</b>	PAD074965096	<b>Contract #</b>	
<b>RCRIS ID #:</b>			

**Site Description**

EPA is continuing emergency removal actions at this site during the repackaging, transportation, and removal of flammable magnesium materials. Magnesium generators, who previously supplied Remacor with recyclable magnesium and magnesium alloys, are removing their materials from the site. Internet plans to begin shipping material the 3rd week of April. SPX Contech will be repackaging the remainder of its material in preparation to ship it off site when weather will allow. Hitchcock Industries contacted the EPA and plans to start repacking and shipping its product the 3rd week of April.

EPA's ERRS contractor Guardian Environmental Services, Inc. (GES) has completed reacting drums from Building #2 and from Building #8 and has started reacting super sacks of Lime Mag. ERRS plans to demobilize on 3/20/08 and mobilize to site on 3/3/24/08. PADEP is providing technical and oversight support at the site. EPA START contractor TechLaw is providing technical and administrative support to the EPA. EPA and PADEP officials continue to control access to the site in addition to coordinating the activities of the various generators.

**Current Activities**

Personnel On-Scene:

03/18/08 EPA-2, PADEP-1, START-1, ERRS-8, Security-1 (24 hr)

03/19/08 EPA-3, PADEP-1, START-1, ERRS-8, Security-1 (24 hr)

Weather:

03/18/08 Low of 40° F, high of 43° F. Overcast, 0.00inches of precipitation, wind SW 5-10 mph.

03/19/08 Low of 37° F, high of 52° F. Light Rain, 0.04 inches of precipitation, NNW 8-13 mph.

03/18/08

EPA's OSC Jack Downie mobilized to site for oversight of activities and site entry and exit.

Rich Messimer Senior Site Administrative Officer for the Removal Program mobilized to site for oversight of ERRS and START records. EPA's Rich Messimer demobilized.

PADEP Mariruth Hoffman mobilized to site and assisted the EPA in oversight. PADEP Hoffman demobilized.

Emergency and Rapid Response Services (ERRS) contractor Guardian Environmental, Inc held its morning safety meeting and discussed the days planned activities, areas of concern and safety issues associated with the day's activities. ERRS continues to react super sack contents and containers believed to contain lime-mag. ERRS is taking extra precautions when working the material and continues to wear full face shields, nomex and appropriate filters when working in close proximity to the pit.

START assisted as needed and conducted written/photographic documentation.

03/19/08

EPA's OSC Jack Downie was on site for oversight of activities and site entry. EPA's OSC Marjorie Easton mobilized to site for oversight of activities.

Rich Messimer Senior Site Administrative Officer for the Removal Program mobilized to site for oversight of ERRS and START records.

PADEP Mariruth Hoffman mobilized to site to assist the EPA in oversight and also to shut down the High Volume Air Samplers for the long weekend. PADEP Hoffman demobilized.

Emergency and Rapid Response Services (ERRS) contractor Guardian Environmental, Inc held its morning safety meeting and discussed the days planned activities, areas of concern and safety issues associated with the day's activities. ERRS cleaned out the reaction pit and made concrete repairs on the bottom of the pit. Approximately 5 cubic yards of concrete were used. ERRS also cleaned out work areas, equipment and maintenance on their equipment for the long weekend.

START assisted the EPA as needed and conducted written/photographic documentation. START demobilized.

### **Next Steps**

MHF who will be contracting for Hitchcock, Internet, and SPX Contech plans to be on site the 3rd week of April to resume shipping material off site.

No PRP activity is presently occurring on site. PRP removal action has been suspended until the end of April.

National Machine Company plans to submit a work/safety plan to the EPA.

EPA will continue to coordinate with magnesium waste generators for the safe and appropriate removal of the material from the site. EPA will continue to coordinate with all local, state, and federal agencies.

### **Key Issues**

Reactive material located on site in drums and marked as residual waste will be reacted by ERRS in the reaction pit. It is unknown the reactions that may occur so ERRS is treating all the material as highly hazardous.

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