

Monthly Status Report

W. R. Grace Superfund Site

Acton, Massachusetts

April 29, 2009

W. R. Grace (Grace) is conducting the Remedial Design/Remedial Action (RD/RA) for Operable Unit Three (OU-3) at the above referenced site. This Monthly Status Report is being transmitted to keep the Government Parties advised of the progress and schedule of ongoing activities. This report summarizes the activities completed in the past month, provides a schedule of activities planned for the coming month and describes any problems encountered. The exact date of scheduled activities may change due to resource availability and/or weather. Those interested in being kept advised of schedule changes of a particular activity are requested to contact the person listed for that activity.

Groundwater Discharge Standards

The Government Parties approved the groundwater discharge standards on December 20, 2006. Grace is expecting a supplemental effluent memorandum from the Government Parties.

Evaluation of Interim Groundwater Cleanup Standards

The Government Parties provided Grace with comments on the Evaluation of Interim Groundwater Cleanup Standards on February 1, 2007. Grace will resubmit the document in 2009.

Sediment Pre-Design Work

EPA conditionally approved of the *Sediment Pre-Design Results Report* in a letter dated February 26, 2009. Grace is preparing the Sediment Concept Design, which is scheduled to be submitted on or before June 26, 2009.

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Annual Groundwater Monitoring

The Monitoring Program Report for 2008 will be submitted April 30, 2009.

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Landfill Area Groundwater Pre-Design Work

The *Landfill Area Groundwater Pre-Design Results Report* was submitted to the Government Parties April 1, 2009. Section 4 of the *Results Report*, which summarizes the groundwater flow modeling, was not complete and will be submitted separately. The target for submittal of Section 4 is May 8, 2009.

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Northeast Area Groundwater Pre-Design Work

A meeting between Grace and the Government Parties was held March 31, 2009 to discuss the *Northeast Area Groundwater Concept Design*. Grace received a Conditional Approval of the Northeast Area Groundwater Concept Design on April 24, 2009. Grace is reviewing the comments included in the Conditional Approval letter and will submit written responses to the comments by mid to late-May.

Grace is in final discussions with BOC Gases/Linde regarding an access agreement for implementation of the Northeast Area remedy.

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