DOCUMENTATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL INDICATOR DETERMINATION

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RCRA Corrective Action
Environmental Indicator (EI) RCRIS code (CA725)

Current Human Exposures Under Control

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Corrective Action Section

Facility Name: Equilon Enterprises, LLC (Odessa Refining Company)
Facility Address: 2700 South Grandview, Odessa, TX 79766
Facility EPA ID #: TXD026896290

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?

   _X_ 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).

2. Are groundwater, soil, surface water, sediments, or air media known or reasonably suspected to be **"contaminated"**[1] 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*			**Groundwater plumes delineated during Agreed Order implementation. Exceedances of RRS#2 MSCs determined during RFI.**
Air (indoors)[2]		X		**All buildings and facilities have been removed during the deconstruction of the refinery.**
Surface Soil (e.g., <2 ft)	X*			**Exceedances of RRS#2 MSCs determined during RFI.**
Surface Water		X		**Stream investigations have not indicated any constituents above detection limits.**
Sediment		X		**Stream investigations have not indicated any constituents above detection limits.**
Subsurf. Soil (e.g., >2 ft)	X*			**Exceedances of RRS#2 MSCs determined during RFI.**
Air (outdoors)		X		**No identified levels above protective standards.**

* ***"Yes" denoted due to the presence of constituents within the identified medium above the media-specific concentrations (MSCs) specified in the Texas Risk Reduction Rules, 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 335, Updated Examples of Risk Reduction Standard No. 2 (RRS#2), Appendix II Medium-Specific Concentrations, July 1999.***

____ 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):

Rationale:

GROUNDWATER

Key Contaminants	Appropriate Protective Levels (mg/L)*
• arsenic	0.05
• benzene	0.005
• cresols (total)	0.51
• 1,2-dichloroethane	0.005
• ethylbenzene	0.7
• indene	0.00039
• 1-methylnaphthalene	4.1
• naphthalene	2.0
• styrene	0.1
• toluene	1.0
• xylenes	10.0

SURFACE/SUBSURFACE SOILS

Key Contaminants	Appropriate Protective Levels (mg/kg)**
• antimony	0.6 / 0.6
• arsenic	5.0 / 5.0
• barium	200 / 200
• benzene	0.5 / 0.5
• beryllium	0.4 / 0.4
• cadmium	0.5 / 0.5
• chromium	10 / 10
• lead	1.5 / 1.5
• mercury	0.2 / 0.2

* ***RRS#2 industrial groundwater (GW-Ind) MSC.***

** ***RRS#2 industrial soil-air ingestion (SAI-Ind) MSC or cross-media groundwater protection (GWP-Ind) MSC (whichever is lower) for surface (≤2') soils. RRS#2 GWP-Ind MSC for subsurface (>2') soils.***

References:

- Seventh Annual Status Report, 1998, West Facility Interim Corrective Action Implementation RMT, Inc., January 1999.
- Compliance Plan CP-50152, 1998 Annual Report, RMT, Inc., January 1999.
- RCRA Facility Investigation Soil-Boring Report, Jones and Neuse, Inc., December 1993.
- Texas Risk Reduction Rules, 30 TAC Chapter 335, Updated Examples of Standard No. 2, Appendix II Medium-Specific Concentrations, July 1999.

Footnotes:

[1] "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).

[2] Recent evidence (from the Colorado Dept. of Public Health and Environment, and others) suggest 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.

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)

"Contaminated" Media	Residents	Workers	Day-Care	Construction	Trespassers	Recreation	Food[3]
Groundwater	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Soil (surface, e.g., <2 ft)	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No
Soil (subsurface e.g., >2 ft)	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No

Instructions for Summary Exposure Pathway Evaluation Table:

1. Strike-out specific Media including Human Receptors' spaces for Media which are not "contaminated") as identified in #2 above.

2. 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):

Rationale:

- **Potential construction worker exposure from surface and subsurface soils. Current OSHA health and safety protocols are in place to manage potential exposure during construction worker scenario.**

References:

- **Seventh Annual Status Report, 1998, West Facility Interim Corrective Action Implementation, RMT, Inc., January 1999.**
- **Compliance Plan CP-50152, 1998 Annual Report, RMT, Inc., January 1999.**
- **RCRA Facility Investigation Soil-Boring Report, RMT, Inc., December 1993.**

Footnote:

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

4. Can the exposures from any of the complete pathways identified in #3 be reasonably expected to be "significant"[4] (i.e., potentially "unacceptable" because exposures can be reasonably expected to be: 1) greater in magnitude (intensity, frequency and/or duration) than assumed in the derivation of the acceptable "levels" (used to identify the "contamination"); or 2) the combination of exposure magnitude (perhaps even though low) and contaminant concentrations (which may be substantially above the acceptable "levels") could result in greater than acceptable risks)?

__X__ If no (exposures can not be reasonably expected to be significant (i.e., potentially "unacceptable") for any complete exposure pathway) - skip to #6 and enter "YE" status code after explaining and/or referencing documentation justifying why the exposures (from each of the complete pathways) to "contamination" (identified in #3) are not expected to be "significant."

_____ If yes (exposures could be reasonably expected to be "significant" (i.e., potentially "unacceptable") for any complete exposure pathway) - continue after providing a description (of each potentially "unacceptable" exposure pathway) and explaining and/or referencing documentation justifying why the exposures (from each of the remaining complete pathways) to "contamination" (identified in #3) are not expected to be "significant."

_____ If unknown (for any complete pathway) - skip to #6 and enter "IN" status code

Rationale and Reference(s):

Rationale:

- **Current OSHA health and safety protocols are in place to manage a potential exposure during construction worker scenario.**
- **Interim corrective actions include the continued operation of the recovery well system and compliance monitoring.**

References:

- **Seventh Annual Status Report, 1998, West Facility Interim Corrective Action Implementation, RMT, Inc., January 1999.**
- **Compliance Plan CP-50152, 1998 Annual Report, RMT, Inc., January 1999.**
- **RCRA Facility Investigation Soil-Boring Report, RMT, Inc., December 1993.**

Not Applicable

5. Can the "significant" **exposures** (identified in #4) be shown to be within **acceptable** limits?

_____ If yes (all "significant" exposures have been shown to be within acceptable limits) - continue and enter "YE" after summarizing and referencing documentation justifying why all "significant" exposures to "contamination" are within acceptable limits (e.g., a site-specific Human Health Risk Assessment).

_____ If no (there are current exposures that can be reasonably expected to be "unacceptable")- continue and enter "NO" status code after providing a description of each potentially "unacceptable" exposure.

_____ If unknown (for any potentially "unacceptable" exposure) - continue and enter "IN" status code

Rationale and Reference(s):_____

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_ 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 **Equilon Enterprises, LLC (Odessa Refining Company) facility, EPA ID #TXD026896290**, located at **2700 South Grandview, Odessa, Texas** 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.

Completed by (signature) _____ Date _____
(print)
(title)

Supervisor (signature) _____ Date _____
(print)
(title)
(EPA Region or State) _____

Locations where References may be found:

Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission
P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087

Contact telephone and e-mail numbers:

(name) _____
(phone #) _____
(e-mail) _____

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., SITE-SPECIFIC) ASSESSMENTS OF RISK.

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__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 __Equilon Enterprises, LLC (Odessa Refining Company)__ facility, EPA ID # __TXD026896290__, located at __Odessa, TX__ 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.

Completed by (signature) [signature] Date 2/28/03
(print) Gary Beyer
(title) Project Manager

Supervisor (signature) [signature] Date 2/28/03
(print) Jason Wang
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(EPA Region or State) Texas

Locations where References may be found:
Attach a copy of this facility's database printout. Highlight the reports which support the "YE" determination.

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FINAL NOTE: THE PURPOSE OF THE HUMAN EXPOSURES EI IS TO QUALITATIVELY SCREEN EXPOSURES BASED ON CURRENT LAND AND GROUNDWATER USE. A "YE" DETERMINATION DOES NOT END THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PROCESS. THE EI MAY BE CHANGED AT ANY TIME AS NEW INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE.

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