HUNTCO STEEL/JMS PROCESSING

STATE PRIORITY LIST SITE BLYTHEVILLE, ARKANSAS



ADEQ 5301 Northshore Drive North Little Rock, Arkansas 72118



EPA RCRA ID No: ARR000004937 EPA CERCLA ID No: N/A

AFIN: 47-00264

County: Mississippi

Arkansas Senate District: 15 Arkansas House District: 55 US Congressional District: 1

Current Status

The site was investigated by Mississippi County, Arkansas (prospective purchaser) independent of ADEQ oversight and approval. No State monies were ever expended towards this site. This site was removed from the State Priority List on June 3, 2010.

State Priority List History

In May 2004, Mississippi County (political subdivision of the State of Arkansas) filed a Notice of Intent with the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) stating an interest in investigating and purchasing 45 acres located at 5027 N. County Road 1015 in Blytheville, Mississippi County, Arkansas (referred to as Huntco/JMS) as part of the Brownfields Program. The historical use of the site was a Pickle and Oil facility and a Cold Roll Mill facility for steel products. Huntco Steel built and operated the original facility. Huntco sold to Enron/EBF, who filed bankruptcy around June 2004. The anticipated future use of the site was as a Coil Processing and Plate Fabrication facility.

On June 10, 2005, ADEQ initiated an Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission (APC&EC) Pleading to list Huntco/JMS on the investigation category of the Arkansas Remedial Action Trust Fund Act (A.C.A. §§ 8-7-501 *et.seq.*; hereinafter "Fund") in the event it was necessary to expend any direct

State monies and/or to provide matching funds toward the site for monies expended through a federal cooperative agreement.

No Fund monies were expended at this site by ADEQ. This site was removed from the State Priority List on June 3, 2010

Site Description

Location: The site is located at 5027 N. County Road 1015 on the outer city limits of Blytheville,

Arkansas. (35.934428 latitude; -89.733182 longitude)

Population: The estimated population of Blytheville, Arkansas in 2006 was 16,403 (46.4% male and

53.6% female).

Setting: The site is located in an industrial area on approximately 45 acres. The site is currently

owned by Mississippi County. When the site was listed on the Fund list the property had been bankrupted and abandoned. Historically at the site steel manufacturing operations began in 1992. In 1994, cold roll mill operations began. In 1994, the pickling/cold steel

building was constructed. All steel manufacturing ceased in 2002.

Hydrology: The topography near the site is generally level to nearly level and ranges from broad flatland to gently sloping ridges. Slopes are generally less than 1 percent, but slopes along

streambanks are as much as 15 percent. The total acreage of steep soil is very small.

The drainage of Mississippi County is generally southward. The major natural drainageways in the county are the Mississippi River, Pemiscot Bayou, Left River, Buffalo Creek, and the Tyronza River. The area protected by the levee of the Mississippi River drains into the St. Francis River; this river, in turn, empties into the Mississippi River. The

area on the side of the levee drains directly into the Mississippi River.

Aerial Photo:



Waste and Volumes

As a result of the steel manufacturing and cold roll mill operations, hazardous substances were generated. A file review revealed the use of pickling liquors and acids, as well as metals. There was confirmed subsurface contamination of heavy metals in and around the facility and solid/hazardous waste dump areas. The extent of contamination in or on the soils, sediments, waters, air, and facility structures/equipment is unknown.

Health Considerations

Unknown

The site was investigated and cleaned up by a prospective purchaser independent of ADEQ review, oversight, and approval.

ADEQ Response Actions

There were no formal response decisions published by ADEQ. No State monies were expended on this site.

ADEQ Anticipated Future Activities

There are no known anticipated future activities planned for this site. The site was investigated by a prospective purchaser, independent of ADEQ oversight and approval.

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Information Repository: Not officially required