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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This Quarterly Progress Report is submitted in accordance with the Bedford Performance-Based Corrective Action Agreement (Agreement) between the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) and General Motors LLC (GM), executed on March 20, 2001, and modified on October 1, 2002, March 29, 2007, and May 9, 2008. This report covers the period of the fourth calendar quarter of 2009 for the GM Powertrain - Bedford Facility (Facility), Bedford, Indiana. Some of the activities conducted as part of the overall Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Corrective Action (CA) are being addressed under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) Removal Action (RA) Program, pursuant to the Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) between U.S. EPA and GM (effective July 31, 2003). These activities are described in more detail within the CERCLA Progress Reports referred to herein.

The next quarterly progress report, covering the First Quarter of 2010, will be submitted on or before April 15, 2010.

2.0 LIST OF COMPLETED ACTIVITIES

The following activities took place and the following documents were prepared and distributed during this quarter:

- Conference calls were held with U.S. EPA and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) on October 8 and 22; November 12 and 19; and December 10 to discuss project progress. Representatives for the Agency for Toxic Substance and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) were also invited to the call.
- Fact Sheet 25 was released to the public and U.S. EPA on October 1, 2009.
- Fact Sheet 26 was released to the public and U.S. EPA on December 2, 2009.
- An analytical laboratory report for the water sample collected at Spring 018 on September 25, 2009 was submitted to U.S. EPA via e-mail on October 5, 2009.
- Quarterly Progress Report #34 covering the Third Quarter of 2009 was submitted on October 14, 2009 to U.S. EPA.
- A request for a schedule extension on the submission of the Final Corrective Measures Proposal (CMP) was submitted to U.S. EPA via e-mail and hardcopy on October 29, 2009.
- Clay placement was conducted on Parcel 201 in December 2009. Compaction will continue in January 2010 as weather and soil conditions allow.
- The CERCLA RA Progress Report covering September/October 2009 was submitted during the Fourth Quarter of 2009.

**3.0 SUMMARIES OF ALL CHANGES MADE IN THE
CORRECTIVE ACTION (CA) DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD**

The following changes were made to the CA during the reporting period:

- Publication of Fact Sheet 25 on October 1, 2009.
- Publication of Fact Sheet 26 on December 2, 2009.

4.0 COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The telephone number for public contact is 812-277-8954 (Katie Kamm, CRA). Individual meetings can also be arranged to discuss sampling results with residents as requested.

Quarterly meetings to review project status are held both with the neighbors along the creek and around the plant, as well as with the general public. Quarterly meetings covering the third quarter were held on October 7 and 8, 2009. The meetings were regular project update information sessions from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM at the CRA Field Trailer. A set of public meetings covering the Fourth Quarter 2009 were held on December 9 and 10, 2009. The meetings were the regular project update information sessions from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the CRA Field Trailer. Presentations for the public meetings covering the third and fourth quarters of 2009 are posted on the GM website at the following address, www.bedfordpowertraincorrectiveaction.com. Public meetings for the First Quarter of 2010 are tentatively scheduled for March 2010 on a date to be determined.

Fact Sheets 25 and 26 were issued on October 1, 2009 and December 2, 2009, respectively.

The CLP meetings covering the third and fourth quarters were held on October 9, 2009 and December 11, 2009, respectively. The CLP was formed to provide additional communication avenues for the community and the meetings are currently being held at the CRA construction trailer approximately every three months or more frequently if information on the project changes significantly. Previous CLP meeting minutes can be reviewed on the GM website at www.bedfordpowertraincorrectiveaction.com. The CLP meeting covering the First Quarter 2010 is tentatively scheduled for March 2010 on a date to be determined.

The Information Center located at the plant lobby is accessible by appointment through Ms. Katie Kamm, at the project phone number 812-277-8954. The documents repository is no longer located at the Bedford Public Library. All data that were located at the Library repository can be found on the aforementioned web site.

5.0 CHANGES IN PERSONNEL DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

CRA and Severson again plan to reduce the number of personnel at the Site during the construction shutdown for the winter and spring rainy season, commencing in December 2009. Additional contractor personnel will leave the Site in January 2010 after completion of remaining planned construction work for the season. After the seasonal Site closure, some CRA staff and contractor personnel will remain on site to continue necessary sampling programs, operate water treatment facilities, and provide personnel and oversight for maintenance activities.

6.0 PROJECTED WORK FOR THE NEXT REPORTING PERIOD

Work projected for the next reporting period includes:

- Conducting a neighborhood information sessions on March 2010.
- Conducting a general public information session on March 2010.
- Conducting a CLP Meeting on March 2010.
- Grading fill at the former Area of Interest (AOI) 15. The grading area will be opened to receive soil from the Downstream Parcels excavation on Parcel 36 near Bud Ikerd and Peerless Roads, and sediment cleaned out of the upper modutank in the Severson water treatment plant on Parcel 216.
- Completing agreements with MLC for properties owned by MLC in order to conduct remaining creek soil removal work on the MLC properties on Pleasant Run Creek.
- Preparing and distributing Fact Sheet 27 in the next quarter.
- Conducting EI CA750 groundwater monitoring and sampling.
- Maintaining temporary liner covers and runoff water collection and treatment where necessary.
- Preparing the Final RFI Report.
- Preparing the Final Corrective Measures Proposal.
- Preparing the Annual Compliance Report for the East Plant Area Vault Covering Calendar Year 2009.

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Packages of analytical data from creek remediation verification sampling have been submitted as they become available in the next report and will continue to be submitted during the next reporting period when or if sampling is conducted. Any other sampling data collected during the quarter will be submitted under separate cover once validation is completed.