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STATEMENT OF BASIS

UNIVAR USA, INC.
HUMMELSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA
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Section 1: Introduction

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has prepared this Statement of Basis (SB) to solicit public comment on its proposed decision for the Univar USA, Inc. (formerly McKesson Chemical Company) facility located at North Railroad Street, Hummelstown, Swatara Township, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania 17036 (Facility). EPA's review of available information indicates that there are no unaddressed releases of hazardous waste or hazardous constituents from the Facility. Based on that assessment, EPA's proposed decision is that no further investigation or cleanup is required. EPA has determined that its proposed decision is protective of human health and the environment and that no further corrective action or land use controls are necessary at this time. This SB highlights key information relied upon by EPA in making its proposed decision.

The Facility is subject to EPA's Corrective Action Program under the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) of 1976, and the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (HSWA) of 1984, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6901 et seq. (Corrective Action Program). The Corrective Action Program is designed to ensure that certain facilities subject to RCRA have investigated and cleaned up any releases of hazardous waste and hazardous constituents that have occurred at their property. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (Commonwealth) is not authorized for the Corrective Action Program under Section 3006 of RCRA. Therefore, EPA retains primary authority in the Commonwealth for the Corrective Action Program.

The Administrative Record (AR) for the Facility contains all documents, including data and quality assurance information, on which EPA's proposed decision is based. See Section 5, Public Participation, for information on how you may review the AR.

A meeting at the former facility was held with representatives from Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP), Michael Baker Inc., Univar Inc., and United Water on April 15, 2010.

Section 2: Facility Background

The Univar USA, Inc. facility is a 1.8-acre parcel located in the intersection of North Railroad and Wall Streets in the Borough of Hummelstown, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania.

The property currently consists of three separate tracts which are owned by Univar. The larger tract (Tract No. 1), on which the former operations were conducted, is approximately one acre. The facility also owns two additional tracts (Tract No. 2 and Tract No. 3) which are located across North Railroad Street to the east of the facility, along Swatara Creek. Tract No. 2 is approximately 0.5 acres and is partially wooded and partially asphalt covered. Tract No. 3 is approximately 0.3 acres and is asphalt covered. Both Tract No. 2 and Tract No. 3 were used by the facility for employee parking.

Historically, the facility owned four parcels of land at the intersection of North Railroad and Wall Streets (Tract Nos. 1, 2, and 3 described above, and Tract No. 4, an approximately 1 acre parcel located directly west of Tract No. 1 [not used for Univar operations]). All operations ceased at the facility in 2001 due to reorganization and Univar sold the 0.4-acre northern portion of Tract No. 4 to United Water of Pennsylvania (United Water) in October 2003. In August 2004, United Water purchased from Univar the remaining 0.4-acre parcel, southern portion of Tract No. 4, located directly west of the former facility along the Norfolk Southern railroad tracks (not used for Univar operations).

An aboveground storage tank (AST) farm was located north of the repackaging building. The AST farm contained four 10,000-gallon ASTs and five 6,000-gallon ASTs into which raw solvents (i.e., acetone, 1,1,1-trichloroethane [TCA], methanol, methyl ethyl ketone [MEK], ethyl acetate, isopropyl acetate, and propylene glycol) were pumped directly from tanker trucks. The tank farm was closed and demolished in 1996.

The facility also operated a hazardous waste drum storage area, which consisted of a 400-square foot uncovered, concrete pad located adjacent to (west of) the AST farm. Fifty-five (55) gallon drums of waste solvents were periodically stored in this area for subsequent transport to other facilities for recycling. The hazardous waste drum storage area closure certification was approved by PADEP in November 1986.

Univar currently rents the facility to Exhibits- Graphics-Interiors (EGI), a company that specializes in planning, designing, and installing custom signs and displays. No hazardous wastes are currently generated by EGI.

Section 3: Summary of Environmental History

Based upon information in the 2010 Environmental Indicator (EI) Inspection Report, EPA identified two areas of concern (AOCs) at the Facility. EPA has determined that there is no evidence of spills or releases at the facility. The table below describes the AOCs as well as the post-investigation status. Complete details, including soil sampling data, can be found in the individual reports which are listed in the Index section of this SB and located in the AR.

Areas of Concern	Description	Current status
Former Above Ground Storage Tank Farm	The Above Ground Storage Tank Farm contained four 10,000-gallon tanks and five 6,000-gallon tanks	Tank Farm was demolished and closed in 1996
Hazardous Waste Drum Storage Area	Facility operated hazardous waste drum storage area	Closure approved by PADEP in November 1986

In summary, concentrations of hazardous constituents identified in the soil are below EPA's Regional Screening Levels for residential use. Univar is not suspected to have any groundwater contamination issues at this time. Therefore, EPA is not requiring any controls on land use for this property.

Section 4: Environmental Indicators

EPA sets national goals to measure progress toward meeting the nation's major environmental goals. For Corrective Action, EPA evaluates two key environmental indicators for each facility: (1) current human exposures under control and (2) migration of contaminated groundwater under control. The EPA has determined that the Facility met the migration of contaminated groundwater under control indicator on February 13, 2013. The EPA has determined that the Facility met the current human exposures under control indicator on February 13, 2013.

Section 5: Public Participation

Before EPA makes a final decision on its proposal for the Facility, the public may participate in the decision selection process by reviewing this SB and documents contained in the Administrative Record (AR) for the Facility. The AR contains all information considered by EPA in reaching this proposed decision. It is available for public review during normal business hours at:

U.S. EPA Region III
1650 Arch Street
Philadelphia, PA 19103
Contact: Grant Dufficy
Phone: (215) 814-3455
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Interested parties are encouraged to review the AR and comment on EPA's proposed decision. The public comment period will last thirty (30) calendar days from the date that notice is published in a local newspaper. You may submit comments by mail, fax, or e-mail to Mr. Grant Dufficy. EPA will hold a public meeting to discuss this proposed decision upon request. Requests for a public meeting should be made to Mr. Grant Dufficy.

EPA will respond to all relevant comments received during the comment period. If EPA determines that new information warrants a modification to the proposed decision, EPA will modify the proposed decision or select other alternatives based on such new information and/or public comments. EPA will announce its final decision and explain the rationale for any changes in a document entitled the Final Decision and Response to Comments (FDRTC). All persons who comment on this proposed decision will receive a copy of the FDRTC. Others may obtain a copy by contacting Mr. Grant Dufficy at the address listed above.

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US EPA Part A Permit Application, prepared by Univar USA Inc. (formerly McKesson Chemical Company), submitted September 9, 1981.

US EPA Part B Permit Application, prepared by Univar USA Inc., submitted November 10, 1983.

Approved Closure Plan, prepared by Univar USA Inc. (formerly McKesson Chemical Company), approved by PADEP November 20, 1986.

Environmental Priorities Initiative, Preliminary Assessment of Univar USA Inc., NUS Corporation, October 17, 1989.

Pennsylvania DEP Solid Waste Management Unit directed sampling results, January 14, 2009.

Final Environmental Indicator Inspection Report for Former Univar USA, Inc., Michael Baker Corporation, January 2011.