

Agenda Public Information Session November 28, 2018

5:30 to 6:45 OPEN HOUSE

7:00 to 7:45 PRESENTATIONS

7:50 to 9:00 QUESTIONS

9:00 to 10:00 OPEN HOUSE RESUMES



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Welcome

Mayor Barnett Rafael Gonzalez, EPA Public Affairs Specialist Jose Cisneros, EPA Branch Chief

Amphenol Site Overview

Carolyn Bury, EPA Project Manager

ATSDR Role

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Questions

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Overview of Corrective Action Work Vapor Intrusion Investigation Former Amphenol Site

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Former Amphenol site in Franklin, IN





PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

Site operational history

Regulatory context

Current Investigation

Future Corrective Action work







Corrective Action Sites





A long history of industrial operations, much of which occurred prior to modern environmental practices, left a legacy of contamination at sites across the country.

Prior to 1983 - Solvents dumped and VOCs were released Pump and Treat Remedy Building

1994 - Remedy Selection: Groundwater Pump and Treat System installed 1995 – 2010 – System enhanced which operates today

Inside the pump and treat system shed



What are VOCs?



- Volatile organic compounds emit gases from solid or liquid.
- Industrial degreasing solvents (TCE and PCE)
- VOCs are widely used as ingredients in household products:

Paints, varnishes, wax, vinyl, hobby glue all contain organic solvents



What are Health Concerns with VOC Exposure?



Vapor intrusion of VOCs above safe levels into buildings is a health concern of the US EPA and other agencies.

Short-term intensive exposure:

- . Eye, nose and throat irritation
- . Headaches, loss of coordination and nausea

Long-term exposure at unsafe levels:

- May cause damage to liver, kidney and central nervous system
- Some VOCs are suspected or known to cause cancer in humans





1996 Risk Evaluation concluded no indoor air risk (based on modeling, no indoor air testing)

New guidance and science on VOC exposure

EPA investigation launched – does residual contamination in the neighborhood cause vapor intrusion?



"Starting from Scratch" Re-evaluating the former Amphenol Site

Vapor Intrusion Investigation

Follow VOCs from source via migration pathways to indoor air

Vapor Intrusion Study Area

- Historic data
- Groundwater flow direction
- Sewershed flow direction



Possible Vapor Exposure Pathways







- Outdoor Air
- Groundwater
- Soil gas
- Sewer bedding gas
- Sewer VOC gas
- Indoor Air

(expand Study Area based on results)



"Above or below a Screening Level"

What is a *Screening Level*?

What is *elevated*?

Whenever a measurement is made of contamination in the environment, a point of reference is needed to interpret the result.

Screening Level



- Screening levels are much lower than the concentration at which health affects are expected.
- Conservative, low value, used for reference, not clean-up
- Calculated with many degrees of protection to produce the number.
- EPA calculates screening levels using a toxicity data about the chemicial

Plus assumptions about how people are exposed to the contaminant (different industrial vs residential)

- When above screening level, we look more closely at a Site and potential health risks from exposure.
- At Amphenol, for indoor air, we used IDEM Risk Based Closure Levels to make remedial decisions.



Outdoor Air Sampling





Outdoor Air Sampling

Sample location AA-3 South #1. The red arrow indicates the location of the sample intake.





Results



- Fence line non-detect or below indoor air screening levels
- Emissions vent estimated at 8 pounds/year (low)
- Permits typically issued at 2,000 pounds to 10 tons/year - perspective
- Amphenol installed carbon filter system
- No VOC emissions currently



Sewer VOC Vapor Testing



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Elevated VOCs along Forsythe St and Hamilton Street

Sanitary sewers Above Indoor Air Screening Level Indoor air testing

Indoor air with a focusing on sewer migration pathway

30 manholes in study area + 5 manholes in extended

area plus re-sampling



Migration of soil vapors via sewer to indoor air









SOIL GAS + SEWER BEDDING TESTING



Street ROW Soil

Above VI screening level

Indoor air testing

Sewer Bedding Soil

Secondary source area



VOC Soil Gas and Sewer Bedding Gas Testing



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Contamination Plume Delineation





Groundwater Sampling Results PCE





Groundwater Sampling Results TCE



37 "Priority Homes" Indoor Air Testing



Lines of Evidence:

Elevated:

Also:

VOC Sanitary Sewer gas ROW Soil gas VOCs in Groundwater Near Site Near other home with sub-slab VOC gas above Screening Levels



Air Sampling in and around Homes







Summa cannisters set for 24 hours at each sampling point

Sub-Slab Sampling Point Vapor port in foundation Hole is drilled, port installed





Sewer Pressure Test



Forces non-toxic citrus scent into the waste and drain pipes with a slight pressure.

Ineffective vapor seals in plumbing systems in buildings (dry P-Traps, breached toilet wax rings, cracked plumbing drain pipes, loose fittings and gaskets, for example) are common

Vapor Intrusion Pathway Risk Management



Response Actions: Immediate Measures to prevent exposure Install vapor mitigation system elevated sub-slab or elevated indoor air VOC measurements

Sewer system sealing and repairs made

Risk Communication:

Results discussed with homeowner and tenant

Residential Vapor Intrusion Mitigation System





- Sub-Slab Depressurization
 System
- Similar to radon gas mitigation system
- Negative pressure applied under building
- Prevents vapors from entering structure



Risk Management for the Vapor Intrusion Pathway

Response Actions: Address Sources

Remediation of VOC vapor sources: Contaminated sewer bedding Groundwater source control Groundwater remedy enhancement



Indoor Air in Homes

- Access Please grant access
- Privacy Act You don't have to share results
- All sampled homes will be re-sampled in the winter.
- Homes with elevated VOCs in the sewer laterals but not indoor air will have pressure tests.
- Homes with elevated sub-slab VOCs, with or without elevated indoor air levels, will have mitigation systems installed.

Strategy – Former Amphenol Site Next Steps



- I. Ensure safety of residents through indoor air testing, re-sample in winter
- 2. Remediate contaminated soil beneath sewers
- Investigate and remediate off-site sources
 + On-site sources
- 4. Evaluate old and new remedies
- 5. Remedy selection
- Monitor and re-evaluate the vapor intrusion pathway



Thank you!

Questions after presentations or at information stations

Next presenter, Motria Caudill, ATSDR



https://www.in.gov/idem/cleanups/2417.htm https://www.in.gov/idem/cleanups/pages/franklin/map.h

