

**GM POWERTRAIN BEDFORD CORRECTIVE ACTION
COMMUNITY LIAISON PANEL (CLP) MEETING MINUTES
MEETING NO. 3**

DATE: November 1, 2002
TIME: 11:00 A.M. EST
LOCATION: GM Powertrain Bedford Plant
RECORDED BY: Lisa Meoli

ATTENDEES: Kathy Bommarito – General Motors
Adele Bowman-Purlee - Bedford Chamber of Commerce
Thomas Brent - Bedford Resident and Environmental Professional
Janie Craig Chenault - County Commissioner
Paul Ford – General Motors
Stanley Glenn - City Council Member
John Gunter – Indiana Department of Environmental Management
Bob Hamilton - Hamilton Real Estate
Larry Smith – Bedford Resident
Cheryl Hiatt – General Motors
Mike Hilfinger – General Motors
Tammie Jean - County Assessors Office
Jim McGuigan - Conestoga-Rovers & Associates
Lisa Meoli - Conestoga-Rovers & Associates
Ed Peterson - General Motors
Bill Steinmann - Conestoga-Rovers & Associates
Jeff Nichols - Conestoga - Rovers & Associates
Ken Vander Meulen - Conestoga-Rovers & Associates

ABSENT: *The following members were invited but could not attend:*
Paul McBride – County Health Sanitarian
Rodney Reynolds – First Pentecostal Church of God
John Thomas – GM Powertrain Bedford Plant Manager
John Williams – City of Bedford
Robbin Ricketts – Bedford Regional Medical Center Representative

11:00 – Meeting called to order by Lisa Meoli/Cheryl Hiatt

- Cheryl Hiatt provided an overview of the purpose and function of the CLP, community involvement, and the purpose and agenda for the

meeting.

- Introductions

GM Team

- Lisa Meoli - CRA Project Coordinator. Lisa will be taking the place of Sara Varty as the CLP meeting facilitator.

New Community Invitee Introduced

- Tammie Jean

- 11:10**
- Lisa Meoli/Cheryl Hiatt presented overview of the agenda for the meeting.
 - Cheryl Hiatt presented the Old Business from the 10/04/02 meeting.
 - The Panel approved the draft Meeting Minutes from the last meeting. Final Meeting Minutes will be distributed via email and will be placed in the public repositories and on the website.
 - Cheryl Hiatt asked if there were any new nominations of new members. Cheryl indicated that the Panel members should contact her if they would like to nominate anyone.
 - The next CLP meeting was proposed for December 13, 2002 from 11:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. This time and date was approved by the Panel members.
 - The press release was distributed as a handout and was approved by the Panel. Tammie Jean asked that her name be added to the press release.
- 11:20**
- Cheryl Hiatt discussed New Business.
 - Cheryl Hiatt indicated that upon approval of the upstream work plan, a meeting would be scheduled. Ed also indicated that a larger community meeting was to occur in December. A meeting on health would be held at the public school on Wednesday.
 - CLP reviewed the PCB warning sign. Cheryl and Ed discussed that the signs would be placed in areas where people have opportunity to access the stream from the road.
 - Janie Chenault asked who we have talked to at the County to discuss permitting and signage. Jim indicated that the City of Bedford and County had been contacted for permitting requirements and information and spoke to Bob Dillon. Janie requested being present at the next

meeting with the County officials per her role as County Commissioner for this area. Jim indicated that a meeting would be scheduled in the future with the County prior to project start up to discuss these issues.

- Janie Chenault indicated that there are restrictions for weight on bridges, permits for road use, and also indicated that tri-axles are not allowed in the County. Janie ask that we contact her in case she has suggestions concerning routing and creek crossings.
- Jim/Ed indicated that permission for posting the signs had been sought from the County, as well as property owners, and currently was under review by U.S. EPA and IDEM.
- Ed indicated that the signs would be posted within the next couple of weeks.

- 11:30**
- Jim McGuigan presented overview of the project background and the status of the off-site and on-site investigation (slide presentation).
 - Discussed evaluation of sampling request on a case-by-case basis, plans for completing the creek, Work Plan for Parcel 22 submitted on October 8, 2002 and is under review by IDEM and U.S. EPA. Jim indicated that the permitting letters are also being prepared and submitted.
 - Jim discussed the status of the on-site investigation. Discussed completion of Packer Testing, "Multi-Level" system.
 - Cheryl Hiatt indicated that a report and maps (Phase II Stream Sampling Technical Memorandum) from sampling was being compiled and, once approved, would be available on the website and in the repositories. Cheryl also indicated that GM is currently continuing groundwater investigation activities.

- 11:35**
- Ed presented an overview of Interim Measures and gave a slide presentation.
 - IMs are quicker than waiting for all investigations to be completed and an overall plan to be developed. The regular process can take years and GM will not be waiting until the end of the process (the Corrective Measures Study) to move forward with cleanup.
 - IM Work Plans have already been submitted for two of four properties to conduct cleanup work. This Work Plan will be a template for other IMs, which will include upstream and downstream locations.
 - Ed informed Tammie Jean of information from the last meeting so that she knows where GM is at in the Corrective Action process.
 - Ed/Jim discussed permitting requirements. Jim indicated that there are

different permits for different areas of the floodplain, i.e., wetlands and floodplain permits. GM is planning on getting permits by the end of December or the first of the year.

- Jim indicated that GM would be starting the initial construction activities in December.
- Ed discussed disposal of soil collected during the creek cleanup. Contaminated soil with higher levels of PCBs will be taken to an approved off-site landfill location, possibly in Michigan or Indianapolis. Contaminated soil with lower levels of PCBs will be brought back on site to be consolidated with the final corrective measures on site.
- A question was asked about the off-site disposal locations. Jim indicated that any landfill where this material will be taken will be approved for this type of material and will have liners, etc.
- Janie Chenault asked if the soil brought back on site would be there forever. Jim/Ed indicated yes, that this area would be capped and engineering precautions taken that prohibit the material from escaping the area and recontaminating the streams.
- Ed responded to questions concerning traffic plans and removal areas. A meeting will be scheduled to discuss this issue in further detail with the City and the County.

11:50 • Cheryl Hiatt presented the information on upcoming meetings.

- Meetings are planned for November 7, 2002 for Plan A members at 7:00 p.m. and November 8, 2002 for Plan B members at 7:00 p.m. These meetings will discuss the IM effort, property issues, and Steve Song will be present to discuss health issues.
- Meetings are planned for November 20, 2002 for residents that live on North Jackson and North of the Plant and on November 21, 2002 for residents that live to the South, East and West of the Plant to discuss their concerns, i.e., property issues.
- A public meeting will be held on December 11 or 12, 2002. Cheryl invited all CLP members to come. The location of the meeting is to be determined. Stanley Glenn and Janie Chenault suggested the Fair Grounds, Bedford Jr. High School, and the Performance Arts Center. Cheryl indicated that once the meeting time, place, and location are determined, the CLP members would be notified. The public meeting will also be advertised in a press release in the newspapers.

11:55 • Cheryl Hiatt opened discussion for general question and answers.

Note: Bill Steinmann was scheduled to give a presentation on groundwater. Due to lack of

time, Bill's presentation will be given at the next CLP meeting on December 13, 2002.

- Adele stated that there is a meeting on December 12, 2002 with new doctors.
- CLP members indicated that often residents do not come to meetings if it doesn't impact the owner and their property directly. Thomas Brent indicated that a meeting held by the State about hazardous materials was given and they had minimal attendance.
- Stanley Glen asked if there was a higher cancer rate in Westinghouse employees and if any studies had been performed on that. Ed Peterson indicated that the GE study did not conclude a statistical increase of cancer in people included (employees) in their study over background populations, although PCBs have been found to cause cancer in animals.
- Cheryl Hiatt indicated that chloroacne is an effect of PCB exposure that can be disfiguring. There are also possible eye effects (irritation) and some indications of liver dysfunction.
- Paul Ford asked if Mike Hilfinger could discuss property issues with Tammie Jean.
- Mike provided an overview of the Property Protection Plan.
 - Mike outlined options that were offered to residents on properties with samples above the screening level and for contiguous properties. Fair market value is determined as if no PCBs are present on the property. The options are not offered as a replacement to cleanup (i.e., cleanup will be done in any case).
 - Bob asked how many properties had been sold. Mike indicated that 33 properties had been sold to date.
 - Larry Smith asked Mike Hilfinger what the 20 percent bonus was for. Mike indicated that the bonus was for inconvenience during the cleanup.
 - Adele asked if the stream contamination has been delineated. Jim McGuigan indicated that the streams had been delineated throughout the creek system and floodplain areas.
 - Thomas Brent asked how the criterion of 2.2 ppm had been established. Cheryl and Jim indicated that the screening level was 2.2 ppm (this is a U.S. EPA developed screening level). A screening level is a risk-based calculation performed prior to a more detailed Site-specific calculation, which is called cleanup criteria. The cleanup level has been determined to be 2 ppm, based on the Site-specific factors applicable to this area. The area above 2.2 ppm is shown on a map distributed to the public (the

area above 2.2 ppm is highlighted in yellow and this is the general area of cleanup).

- Cheryl and Jim indicated that this number has been established through human health risk assessments and it is the default number according to the U.S. EPA Region 9 Preliminary Screening Goals (PRGs).
- Adele asked if tenants are still living in the duplex located on Riley Boulevard even though the owner has sold the building. Mike Hilfinger indicated that he was receiving the rent checks for this property ever since they closed. Mike explained that in the future, a property management company would be taking care of maintenance, etc.
- Cheryl indicated that members are invited to share any information they learn in the community and pass on any questions/concerns.

- 12:15** – Kathy presented an overview of the community relations programs.
- Neighborhood meetings and an availability session have been held. A full community meeting is planned for December 11 or 12, 2002 (date to be determined). The public meeting will be advertised in the local newspapers and press releases.
 - Other programs include the CLP, one-on-one discussions with neighbors, project Fact Sheets, contact phone numbers, public repositories, future website, and Information Center booth.
- 12:25** – Cheryl presented an overview of the proposed agenda for the next CLP meeting.
- Meeting minutes will be emailed to members and approved at the next meeting.
 - The Panel agreed that there would not be a problem with having their names printed in a press release to make the community aware of the CLP. Any press release would be sent for approval prior to printing. Tammie Jean requested that her name be added to the press release.
 - Cheryl Hiatt started wrapping up the meeting to begin the creek tour and indicated that a draft agenda would be distributed prior to the next meeting. Cheryl asked if there were any final issues to address.
- 12:30** – Lisa Meoli/Cheryl Hiatt began tour of the Plant and stream areas. The Transit Authority of Stone City (TASC) shuttle bus was utilized for transportation on the tour.
- Stop 1: GM Outfall 002 – Cheryl explained how the creek flow was diverted around the oil seep in the streambed. Cheryl also indicated that the property owner posted signs and put up a gate. Cheryl explained that GM was currently working on regaining access to this property. Cheryl indicated that due to

restricted access to this property, a secondary diversion of flow was also created downstream on GM property.

- Stop 2: Stormwater Lagoon – Cheryl explained the current stormwater lagoon and location in relation to the creek system. Jeff Nichols indicated that the area north of the old North pond is being considered for the soil staging area during remediation. Cheryl pointed out several wells that have been installed around this area.
 - Stop 3: Bailey’s Branch crossing under Bailey Scales Road – Cheryl explained where the flow was coming from.
 - Stop 4: Bailey’s Branch crossing under Broomsage Road at Parcel 22 – Cheryl explained where the flow was coming from and where it was flowing to. Cheryl indicated this area is part of the IM that Ed had discussed earlier.
 - Stop 5: Pleasant Run crossing under the Peerless Road Bridge on Peerless Road. CLP members got out of the shuttle to look at area of Pleasant Run floodplain.
- 1:00** – Meeting ended.