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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 Corporation (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 third 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 Fourth Quarter of 2009, will be submitted on or before January 15, 2009.

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, Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM), the Agency for Toxic Substance and Disease Registry (ATSDR), and Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) on July 14 and 28; August 11 and 27; and September 10 and 24 to discuss project progress (United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) was also invited to attend the update calls).
- Fact Sheet 25 was released to the public and U.S. EPA on October 1, 2009.
- Responses to additional comments regarding the October/November 2008 CA750 groundwater sampling event were submitted to U.S. EPA by e-mail on July 2.
- Quarterly Progress Report #33 covering the Second Quarter of 2009 was submitted July 8 to U.S. EPA.
- A copy of a July 10 article regarding sales of property formally owned by GM (now owned by Motors Liquidation Corp [MLC]) in Bedford from the Bedford Times Mail was emailed to U.S. EPA on July 14.
- The Spring 2009 EI CA750 Monitoring Event sampling results summary was submitted to U.S. EPA via e-mail on July 28.
- U.S. EPA offered comments to the June 26, 2009, memo summarizing SSC Addendum No. 7 on July 29.
 - Responses to U.S. EPA July 29 comments were emailed to U.S. EPA on September 23.
- A letter was sent via email to U.S. EPA on August 6 requesting the consolidation of the Monthly and Quarterly reports.
 - U.S. EPA approved the submittal of bi-monthly reports in lieu of Monthly reports on August 7 until the completion of the removal work. The July/August 2009 Monthly report was the first bi-monthly report to be submitted on September 15. Once the removal work is completed, a separate report will be submitted quarterly for the restoration work.
- An electronic version of the Draft 95% Trench Design report dated November 27, 2007, was sent to U.S. EPA via e-mail on August 27.
- Responses to U.S. EPA March 16, comments and TechLaw July 21, comments regarding the proposed work at AOI 8 were emailed to U.S. EPA on September 23.
- The June 2009 and the July/August 2009 CERCLA RA Progress Reports were submitted during the Third 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:

- Approval was received from U.S. EPA for the submittal of bi-monthly CERCLA RA Progress reports in lieu of Monthly reports on August 7.
- Publication of Fact Sheet 25 on October 1.

4.0 COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The telephone number for public contact is now 812-277-8954 (Katie Kamm, CRA). Individual meetings can also be arranged with Katie Kamm 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. Presentations for the meetings are posted on the web site at www.bedfordpowertraincorrectiveaction.com. The set of public meetings covering the Fourth Quarter 2009 will tentatively be held on December 9 and 10, 2009.

Fact Sheet 25 was issued on October 1, 2009.

The CLP meeting covering this quarter was held on October 9, 2009. 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 Fourth Quarter 2009 is tentatively scheduled for December 11, 2009.

The Information Center located at the plant lobby is accessible by appointment through 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

Guy Johnstone of CRA returned to the Site to complete the field oversight of Severson Environmental Services work on the East Plant. There were no other changes to the CRA field personnel.

Additional personnel from Severson Environmental Services mobilized to the site in August 2009 to resume Cover System construction on Parcel 201.

6.0 PROJECTED WORK FOR THE NEXT REPORTING PERIOD

Work projected for the next reporting period includes:

- Conducting a neighborhood information sessions on October 7, and December 9, 2009.
- Conducting a general public information session on October 8, and December 10, 2009.
- Conducting a CLP Meeting on October 9, and December 11, 2009.
- Preparing and distributing Fact Sheet 26 in the next quarter.
- Conducting EI CA750 groundwater monitoring and sampling.
- Maintaining temporary liner covers and runoff water collection and treatment where necessary.
- Continue East Plant Area Cover System construction until the winter and rainy weather shutdown.
- Preparing and submitting the final RFI Report.
- Preparing the Final Corrective Measures Proposal for submission on December 31.

**7.0 COPIES OF DAILY REPORTS, INSPECTION REPORTS,
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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.