

January 9, 2018

Jeff Ackerman Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources 3911 Fish Hatchery Rd Fitchburg, WI 54711

Re: Remediation Injection Request

Dear Mr. Ackerman:

EnviroForensics is proposing a subsurface injection utilizing a liquid activated carbon solution as a method of groundwater treatment at the former Robinson's Cleaners in Janesville, Wisconsin (Site). This injection request follows tracer and pilot testing activities performed during 2017. The overall plan for remediation at the Site is provided in the Remedial Action Design Report dated January 9, 2018. We are requesting review and approval of the attached injection request. Site information is provided below.

Site Details:	Robinson's Cleaners - Former 1838 W. Court Street Janesville, WI 53548 BRRTS# 02-54-221852
Site Owner:	Creativity Circle, Inc. 200 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 2350 Chicago, IL 60601
Responsible Party:	Raychris, Inc 5110 N. Connor Street Janesville, WI 53545
Consultant:	EnviroForensics, LLC Brian Kappen, Project Manager; Wayne Fassbender, Sr. Project Manager N16 W23390 Stone Ridge Drive, Suite G, Waukesha, WI 53188 262-290-4001 <u>bkappen@enviroforensics.com</u> wfassbender@enviroforensics.com



WPDES Permit No. WI-0046566-6 for discharge of contaminated groundwater from remedial action operations was issued for the site prior to pilot test injection activities conducted in June 2017. Reference FIN# 52182 and 59530.

A technical assistance review fee of \$700 is enclosed with the copy of this letter sent to Ms. Weihemuller.

Sincerely, **EnviroForensics, LLC**

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Wayne Fassbender, PG, PMP Senior Project Manager

cc: Wendy Weihemuller, WDNR

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Brian Kappen, PG Project Manager



EnviroForensics is proposing to implement a full-scale injection of PlumeStop[®] Liquid Activated Carbon for in-situ treatment of tetrachloroethene (PCE) dissolved in groundwater at the Site. PlumeStop is an in-situ sorption and biodegradation product composed of very fine particles of activated carbon (1-2µm) suspended in water. It is highly dispersible, but once in the subsurface the material behaves as a colloidal biomatrix that binds to the aquifer matrix. It captures and concentrates dissolved-phase contaminants within its structure. Biodegradation processes then accomplish complete remediation at a rapid rate. PlumeStop is non-toxic and safe to handle, and it is designed to remain in the injection area (i.e., it does not move by groundwater advection). A technical description sheet prepared by the manufacturer is provided as **Attachment 1**.

General stratigraphy at the Site is unconsolidated deposits comprised of sand, silt and clay, followed by the fractured Platteville dolomite, which then transitions to St. Peter Sandstone at approximately 42 feet below ground surface (bgs). The unconsolidated deposits are approximately 8-18 feet thick in the vicinity of the Site. The dolomite is approximately 20 to 30 feet thick and pinches out to the south and west of the Site. Depth to the piezometric surface in the sandstone is approximately 48 feet bgs. The target compound for treatment is PCE, identified in groundwater at concentrations up to $5,000 \mu g/L$ in the vicinity of the treatment area.

Implementation Plan

A site-specific health and safety plan will be followed during implementation of the remedial injections. EnviroForensics will also communicate injection plans to the property owner prior to starting work.

A 24,000 square foot treatment area was established based on analysis of the dolomite and sandstone groundwater plumes. A network of 21 injection points was specified for the treatment area, each with an estimated radius of influence of 20 feet. The layout of the injection points is shown on **Figure 1**. The goal is to effectively create a horizontal barrier to contaminant movement that is laterally continuous over the primary area where contaminants leak from the dolomite into the sandstone. The barrier will not only intercept contaminants, but will also provide nutrients and create reducing conditions to support microbial reduction of the contaminant mass.

The 21 injection points were installed October 30 - November 3; and November 13 - 16, 2017. The boreholes were advanced by air and water rotary drilling methods. The points are constructed of 2-inch diameter PVC with a 10-foot, 0.020 slot screen set at 53-63 feet bgs. The screen depths were selected to allow homogeneous distribution of remedial fluids just below the transition from dolomite to sandstone. Filter pack sand was placed from the bottom of the borehole to two (2) feet above the screen, followed by two (2) feet of fine sand and three (3) feet



of bentonite chips. The remainder of the annular space was filled with neat cement grout with 10% bentonite. This grout mixture is the recommended seal to prevent daylighting of remedial fluids during injection. A traffic-rated flush-mount vault set in a concrete pad was installed at the surface for protection and access. A threaded fitting was added to the top of the riser for future connection to injection hose.

EnviroForensics and Regenesis Remediation Services developed an injection design based on groundwater CVOC concentrations and the hydrogeological properties of the sandstone aquifer. The design calls for 50,000 pounds of PlumeStop to be applied within the 10-foot thick target treatment zone immediately below the transition zone from dolomite to sandstone. Design parameters are presented in **Attachment 2**.

PlumeStop is shipped in concentrated form in 300 gallon totes. The concentrated PlumeStop will be mixed with water obtained from the City of Janesville to produce a solution. For each injection point, 285 gallons of PlumeStop will be mixed with 4,280 gallons of water to produce the appropriate solution for injection. A total of approximately 96,000 gallons of PlumeStop solution, or 4,565 gallons per injection point, will be added to the treatment zone.

Mixing will be performed in large, trailer-mounted, tanks with continuous agitation. The solution will then be pumped from the tanks, through a manifold to the injection points via hose. Pressure and flow rate will be monitored and recorded to confirm that injection design parameters are met.

Monitoring Plan

A remediation performance monitoring program has been developed for the first year following injections. It is designed to demonstrate that the remedial actions have changed the groundwater chemistry, begun to reduce the VOC mass, and inhibited further contributions to the downgradient plume. Monitoring in subsequent years will be recommended after evaluation of the initial data.

Monitoring wells near the treatment zone will be monitored on a quarterly basis for the contaminants of concern as well as geochemical parameters to allow for an evaluation of changes in aquifer conditions resulting from the introduction of PlumeStop. Monitoring wells further from the source area have been selected for sampling because they either define the plume boundary or could indicate potential changes in magnitude near the centerline of the plume. These wells will be sampled less frequently, either semi-annually or once in the first year of monitoring depending on location and historical concentration trends.



The monitoring program is detailed in **Table 1**, and monitoring wells selected for sampling are depicted on **Figure 2**. Samples collected from six (6) monitoring wells near the treatment zone will be analyzed for VOCs as well as total and dissolved iron, sulfate, nitrate, nitrite, total organic carbon (TOC), and dehalococcoides bacteria. Groundwater purging and sample collection from these wells will be conducted using standard low-flow (minimal drawdown) methods. Field parameters including pH, specific conductivity, temperature, ORP, and DO will be measured during purging and recorded on the groundwater field sampling forms. The remaining 31 wells listed on **Table 1** will be sampled for VOCs only, using passive diffusion bags (PDBs). The PDBs will be deployed for a minimum of 30 days before samples are collected. Groundwater samples will be submitted to a state-certified laboratory for all analyses. Duplicate samples and equipment blanks will be collected at the rate specified in NR 716.13 for quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) purposes.

Groundwater elevation measurements will be collected before, during, and after injections to evaluate the temporary effect of injection on potentiometric surfaces and flow direction. Measurements will be collected from wells within and near the treatment area, including MW-20D, MW-27D, MW-27DS, MW-29, MW-30D, MW-31D, and MW-36D. The depth to water in each well will be measured to the nearest 0.01 foot using an electronic water level indicator.

Investigation-derived media (IDM), including purge water and decontamination fluids, will be containerized in 55-gallon drums. A licensed contractor will be retained to remove drums following each monitoring event. The IDM will be managed under existing non-hazardous waste profiles.

Timeframe

Injection activities are scheduled to commence in March 2018. The anticipated duration of onsite work is 27 days for the injection event and two (2) to five (5) days for each of the performance monitoring events. EnviroForensics is requesting injection approval through the end of 2020 in case repeat injections are necessary.

Vapor Screening

Extensive vapor screening was previously conducted as part of the Site investigation. A sub-slab depressurization system was installed at Chase Bank (18 N. Arch Street) to mitigate vapor intrusion. Mitigation in the Site building was not needed. The majority of the treatment zone is distant from buildings and more than 50 feet bgs. Saturated dolomite is present above the treatment zone which will inhibit vertical movement of vapors. Based on the Site conditions and



systems installed to prevent vapor impacts, the likelihood of vapor exposure resulting from remedial activities is extremely low.

Certifications

I, Andrew Horwath, hereby certify that I am a registered professional engineer in the State of Wisconsin, registered in accordance with the requirements of ch. A-E 4, Wis. Adm. Code; that this document has been prepared in accordance with the Rules of Professional Conduct in ch. A-E 8, Wis. Adm. Code; and that, to the best of my knowledge, all information contained in this document is correct and the document was prepared in compliance with all applicable requirements in chs. NR 700 to 726, Wis. Adm. Code.

Manager, Technical Group, P.E. No. E-43831-6

Signature, title and P.E. number

P.E. stamp

I, Brian Kappen, hereby certify that I am a hydrogeologist as that term is defined in s. NR 712.03 (1), Wis. Adm. Code, am registered in accordance with the requirements of ch. GHSS 2, Wis. Adm. Code, or licensed in accordance with the requirements of ch. GHSS 3, Wis. Adm. Code, and that, to the best of my knowledge, all of the information contained in this document is correct and the document was prepared in compliance with all applicable requirements in chs. NR 700 to 726, Wis. Adm. Code.

The Project Manager

Signature and title

<u>1/8/2018</u> Date

TABLE 1 REMEDIATION PERFORMANCE MONITORING PROGRAM

Former Robinson's Cleaners Janesville, Wisconsin

Parameter	VOCs	Total Fe	Dissolved Fe	Sulfate	Nitrate	Nitrite	TOC	Dehalococcoides
MW-12	S							
MW-13	S							
MW-20D	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	S
PZ-25D2	А							
MW-27D	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	S
MW-27DS	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	S
MW-29	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	S
MW-30D	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	S
MW-31D	S							
MW-32	S							
MW-35D	А							
MW-36D	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	S
MW-39S	А							
PZ-42D1	S							
PZ-42D2	S							
PZ-42D3	S							
PZ-43D1	S							
MW-44S	А							
PZ-44D1	S							
PZ-44D2	S							
PZ-46D1	А							
PZ-46D2	А							
PZ-46D3	А							
PZ-47D1	S							
PZ-47D2	S							
PZ-47D3	S							
PZ-49D1	S							
PZ-49D2	S							
PZ-49D3	S							
PZ-49D4	S							
MW-51S	А							
PZ-52D1	А							
PZ-52D2	А							
PZ-52D3	А							
PZ-53D1	S							
PZ-53D2	S							
PZ-53D3	S							

Notes:

This program applies to the first year (4 quarters) following injections only

A = Single sample collected approximately one year after injections

Q = Sample collected quarterly

S = Sample collected semi-annually

VOCs - Volatile Organiuc Compounds Fe = Iron TOC = Total Organic Carbon









PlumeStop[®] Liquid Activated Carbon[™] Technical Description

PlumeStop Liquid Activated Carbon is an innovative groundwater remediation technology designed to rapidly remove and permanently degrade groundwater contaminants. PlumeStop is composed of very fine particles of activated carbon (1-2µm) suspended in water through the use of unique organic polymer dispersion chemistry. Once in the subsurface, the material behaves as a colloidal biomatrix, binding to the aquifer matrix, rapidly removing contaminants from groundwater, and expediting permanent contaminant biodegradation.

This unique remediation technology accomplishes treatment with the use of highly dispersible, fast-acting, sorption-based technology, capturing and concentrating dissolved-phase contaminants within its matrix-like structure. Once contaminants are sorbed onto the regenerative matrix, biodegradation processes achieve complete remediation at an accelerated rate.



Distribution of PlumeStop in water

To see a list of treatable contaminants with the use of PlumeStop, view the Range of Treatable Contaminants Guide.

Chemical Composition

- Water CAS# 7732-18-5
- Colloidal Activated Carbon ≤2.5 CAS# µm 7440-44-0
- Proprietary Additives

Properties

- Physical state: Liquid
- Form: Aqueous suspension
- Color: Black
- Odor: Odorless
- pH: 8 10

Storage and Handling Guidelines

Storage

Store in original tightly closed container

Store away from incompatible materials

Protect from freezing

Handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes

Avoid prolonged exposure

Observe good industrial hygiene practices

Wash thoroughly after handling

Wear appropriate personal protective equipment



PlumeStop[®] Liquid Activated Carbon[™] Technical Description

Applications

PlumeStop is easily applied into the subsurface through gravity-feed or low-pressure injection.

Health and Safety

Wash hands after handling. Dispose of waste and residues in accordance with local authority requirements. Please review the Material Safety Data Sheet for additional storage, usage, and handling requirements here: <u>PlumeStop SDS</u>.



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Project Info Robinson Dry Cleaners			PlumeStop [®] Application	PlumeStop [®] Application Design Summary					
Janes	ville, WI		Sandstone Vertical N	Technical Notes/Discussion					
Sandstone Vert	ical Migration PR	В	Application Method	Injection Wells					
Prepa	ared For:		Spacing Within Rows (ft)	As Depicted					
Keith Gaskill	(Enviroforensics)		Spacing Between Rows (ft)	As Depicted	Injection volumes per point are estimated.				
Target Treatment Zone (TTZ) Info	Unit	Value	Application Points	21	Initial ROI testing to be completed to confirm				
Treatment Area	ft ²	26,000	Areal Extent (square ft)	26,000	application rates.				
Top Treat Depth	ft	50.0	Top Application Depth (ft bgs)	50					
Bot Treat Depth	ft	60.0	Bottom Application Depth (ft bgs)	60					
Vertical Treatment Interval	ft	10.0	Total PlumeStop to be Applied (lbs)	50,000					
Treatment Zone Volume	ft ³	260,000	PlumeStop per point (lbs)	2381					
Treatment Zone Volume	су	9,630	PlumeStop per point (gals)	285					
Soil Type		sandstone	Mixing Water (gal)	89,907					
Porosity	cm ³ /cm ³	0.20	Mixing Water (per pt)	4,281					
Effective Porosity	cm ³ /cm ³	0.05	Total Application Volume (gals)	95,899					
Treatment Zone Pore Volume	gals	388,987	Injection Volume per Point (gals)	4567					
Treatment Zone Effective Pore Volume	gals	97,247							
Fraction Organic Carbon (foc)	g/g	0.005							
Soil Density	g/cm ³	1.67							
Soil Density	lb/ft ³	104							
Soil Weight	lbs	2.7E+07							
Hydraulic Conductivity	ft/dav	12.0							
Hydraulic Conductivity	cm/sec	4.23E-03							
Hydraulic Gradient	ft/ft	0.005							
GW Velocity	ft/day	1.20							
GW Velocity	ft/yr	438							
	.,		Assumptions/Qualifications						
			In generating this preliminary estimate, Regenesis relied upon professional judgment and site specific information provided by others. Using						
	this information as input, we performed calculations based upon known chemical and geologic relationships to generate an estimate of th								
			mass of product and subsurface procentent requi						
			REGENESIS developed this Scope of Work in reliar	nce upon the data and professional ju	dgments provided by those whom completed the				
			earlier environmental site assessment(s). The fee	s and charges associated with the Sco	ope of Work were generated through REGENESIS'				
			proprietary formulas and thus may not conform to	o billing guidelines, constraints or oth	er limits on fees. REGENESIS does not seek				
Application Dosing	Unit	Value	reimbursement directly from any government agency or any governmental reimbursement fund (the "Government"). In any circumstance						
			the services performed or products provided by REGENESIS. it is the sole responsibility of the entity seeking reimbursement to en						
PlumeStop to be Applied	lbs	50,000	Scope of Work and associated charges are in compliance with and acceptable to the Government prior to submission. When servin						
supplier or subcontractor to an entity which seeks reimbursement from the Government, REGENESIS doe									
			be presented any claim for payment to the Gover	nment.					
				Prepared by: Doug Davis					
				Date: 11/22/2017					