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Re: NPI Monthly Progress Reports for April 2024
USEPA CERCLIS ID WID006196174
WDNR BRRTS 02-09-000267 and FID 609038320

Dear Glenn:

In accordance with the requirements of the Administrative Order for Remedial Action between National Presto Industries, Inc. (NPI) and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), effective July 16, 1992; and the Unilateral Order between NPI, the USEPA, and National Defense Corporation, effective October 21, 1993; Progress Reports Nos. 382 and 331, respectively, for the NPI site in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, follow. Paper submittals are no longer required by either the USEPA or the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR), until further notice.

Please call if you have any questions or need additional information about either report.

Sincerely,
GANNETT FLEMING, INC.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "CCW".

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INTERIM REMEDIAL ACTION
ON-SITE GROUNDWATER
PROGRESS REPORT NO. 382
APRIL 2024
NATIONAL PRESTO INDUSTRIES, INC. SITE
EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN

This report is prepared and submitted in accordance with the reporting requirements contained in the Administrative Order for Remedial Action between National Presto Industries, Inc. (NPI) and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), effective July 16, 1992.

During April 2024, Southwest Corner extraction wells EW-5 and EW-6 remained offline. On February 23, 2023, the pump in EW-6 was turned off to start its 12-month trial shutdown, as approved by the USEPA and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR). See Gannett Fleming, Inc.'s January 2023 *Work Plan for a 12-Month Trial Shutdown of Extraction Well EW-6* for supplemental details. On April 18, 2024, the agencies agreed with NPI's proposal to extend the trial shutdown of EW-6 through the second quarter (i.e., June 2024).

Extraction well EW-6 and the effluent from cascade aeration are typically sampled quarterly when that groundwater pump-and-treat operation is active. A discharge monitoring report (DMR) for the first quarter of 2024 was submitted to the WDNR and USEPA on April 16, 2024. A DMR for the second quarter of 2024 will be submitted in July 2024.

REMEDIAL DESIGN/REMEDIAL ACTION
MELBY ROAD DISPOSAL SITE SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION SYSTEM
PROGRESS REPORT NO. 331
APRIL 2024
NATIONAL PRESTO INDUSTRIES, INC. SITE
EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN

This progress report is prepared and submitted in accordance with the reporting requirements summarized in Section XI - Order, Paragraph 58 - Progress Reports of the Unilateral Order between National Presto Industries, Inc. (NPI), National Defense Corporation, and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), effective October 21, 1993.

During April 2024, the soil vapor extraction (SVE) system at the Melby Road Disposal Site (MRDS) remained offline. On November 30, 2023, the SVE system was turned off for its seasonal shutdown period, as approved by both agencies. However, the SVE system operated for 123.6 hours between March 22 and 27, 2024, with one vacuum blower running in low-flow mode for quarterly sampling, as planned and reported last month.

NPI will notify the USEPA and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources if vapor-phase TCE/1,1,1-TCA concentrations rebound enough to trigger a contingency. Otherwise, starting in early June 2024, 6-month seasonal operation of the system will resume with one blower running in normal-flow mode. See Gannett Fleming, Inc.'s August 2020 *Updated Operation and Maintenance Plan for the MRDS Cap and SVE System* for supplemental details.