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Hi Keith,

See attached comments on proposed step-outs for the Tecumseh EE/CA investigation. We may be able to talk through most of them.

Dave

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April 22, 2022

Mr. Keith Egan Chief Consultant SME One N. Commerce Park Dr. Suite 318 Cincinnati, OH 45215-3187 keith.egan@sme-usa.com

RE: Proposed Step-Out Soil Boring Locations Sheboygan River and Harbor Superfund Site Tecumseh Products Company Site, Sheboygan Falls, WI

Dear Mr. Egan:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the proposed step-out boring locations provided to support the Non-Time-Critical Removal Action (NTCRA), Sheboygan River and Harbor Superfund Site, Tecumseh Site, Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin. General and specific comments and observations are provided.

Please contact me by phone at 312-886-3543 or email at <u>franc.david@epa.gov</u> if you should have any questions.

Sincerely,

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#### TECHNICAL REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED NTCRA STEP-OUT BORING LOCATIONS, SHEBOYGAN RIVER AND HARBOR SUPERFUND SITE, SHEBOYGAN FALLS, WISCONSIN

The following comments were generated based on a review of the Proposed NTCRA Step-Out Soil Boring Locations, Sheboygan River and Harbor Superfund Site, Tecumseh Site, Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin.

# **GENERAL COMMENTS**

- 1. ROW sample locations that exceeded the 8.66 milligram per kilogram (mg/kg) industrialcommercial cleanup objective do not include proposed step-out locations. Adjacent Rochester Park exceedances are currently being addressed by the City of Sheboygan Falls under Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) oversight, and the recreational cleanup criteria being applied is much lower than previously anticipated (0.5 mg/kg). Therefore, it is recommended that ROW step-outs be completed and evaluated against the Site industrial-commercial cleanup criteria so that decisions regarding future ROW redevelopment can be evaluated.
- 2. It would be helpful to include previous sampling results being used to demonstrate delineation on the figures provided. Suggest revising figures so that proposed step-out locations and rationale are clear.
- **3.** Per the sampling rationale stated in the Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP), sample collection was targeted to depths where groundwater is encountered. This was expected to be in the range of 8 feet below ground surface (bgs). It is not clear if groundwater was encountered within 8 feet of the ground surface at the above locations where vertical delineation was not achieved. Additional sampling is recommended for locations where groundwater was not encountered.

## **SPECIFIC COMMENTS**

## 1. Western Parking Lot

a. Please complete proposed step-out locations identified around PL2

## 2. Dewatering Pad

a. Vertical delineation of total polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) exceedance was not achieved at six locations: DP-1, DP-5, DP-12, DP-13, DP-14, and DP-34. Four of the six locations exceed principal threat waste (PTW) criteria in the deepest sample interval.

## 3. Eastern Portion

a. Many of the locations exceed industrial-commercial and PTW criteria. However, step-outs are not proposed in accordance with the SAP. For example, SBP22 has no proposed step-outs. SBP23, SBP24, and SBP25 have proposed step-outs inconsistent with the SAP (should have 15-ft step-outs in each cardinal direct not-

delineated yet). Please include step-outs for all sampling locations in accordance with SAP or provide rationale for their exclusion.

- b. Vertical delineation of total PCB exceedance was not achieved at six locations: SBP6-1E, SBP6-1S, SBP-16, SBP-17, SBP-18, and BP3-1S. Two of the six locations exceed PTW criteria in the deepest sample interval.
- 4. ROW
- a. Please complete step-outs to address exceedances detected at ROW2 and ROW3.
- b. Delineation of PTW may be required between DP1 and ROW2 (unclear if previous sampling in this area is sufficient).
- c. Many of the locations exceed industrial-commercial and PTW criteria. However, step-outs are not proposed in accordance with the SAP. For example, the proposed step-outs along the driveway for ROW7, BP3-1N, and BP3-1S have proposed step-outs inconsistent with the SAP (should have 15-ft step-outs in each cardinal direct not-delineated yet). Please include step-outs for all sampling locations in accordance with SAP or provide rationale for their exclusion.

