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STATEMENT OF BASIS/FINAL DECISION AND RESPONSE TO COMMENTS SUMMARY

Safety-Kleen Corp. Service Center

Albuquerque, New Mexico (Signed)

Facility/Unit Type: Accumulation and storage of spent solvents

Contaminants: Organic solvents, petroleum hydrocarbons, and heavy metals

Media: Soil, Groundwater Remedy: No further action

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

The Safety-Kleen Service Center (SKC), a commercial service-oriented company involved in the accumulation and storage of spent solvents, is located in Bernalillo County, New Mexico. These wastes are eventually shipped to one of the seven Safety-Kleen recycling centers and are returned to the customers as a usable product.

Groundwater is approximately 200 feet below the surface in an unconfined aquifer and is used as a drinking water source.

In December of 1991, SKC was issued a joint storage hazardous waste permit by the New Mexico Environmental Department (NMED) and EPA. The NMED portion of the permit contained conditions for the storage of hazardous waste in containers and in an underground tank. EPA s portion of the permit required the investigation of an alleged underground tank.

SKC excavated the surrounding soil where the tank should have been located, however, no tank was found. SKC then sampled and analyzed the remaining soil for organics and heavy metals. Soil sampling results found no contamination. The New Mexico Environment Underground Storage Tank Bureau and the City of Albuquerque Fire Marshall Office were on-site to witness the investigation.

EXPOSURE PATHWAYS

The potential exposure pathways are soil and groundwater.

SELECTED REMEDY

No further action.

INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES CONSIDERED

None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A public meeting was held by SKC on September 21, 1994, in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Four individuals attended the meeting, including representatives from the NMED and Safety-Kleen. No questions were asked at the public meeting.

NEXT STEPS

EPA will issue a public notice of the permit modification and will hold a public hearing if there is a significant degree of interest. After the public comment period has concluded, EPA will make a final decision. If EPA s decision remains unchanged, no further action will be required.

CONTAMINATION DETECTED AND CLEANUP GOALS

Media	Estimated Volume	Contaminant	Maximum Concentration	MCL Action Level	MCL Cleanup Goal	Point of Compliance
Soil	Not given	Organic solvents Petroleum hydrocarbons Heavy metals	Not given	Not given	Not given	Not given
Groundwater	Not given	Organic solvents Petroleum hydrocarbons Heavy metals	Not given	Not given	Not given	Not given

KEYWORDS:

Soil, Groundwater; No further action.

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