



Bureau of Land & Waste Management

Horton Sales Development Corporation — Piedmont Site
 State Superfund Site
 1870 Piedmont Highway, Piedmont, SC

Fact Sheet and Announcement of Administrative Record

DHEC's Removal Activities

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (the "Department" or "DHEC") is responding to the release of hazardous substances at the Horton Sales Development Corporation Site (the "Site") located at 1870 Piedmont Highway in Piedmont, South Carolina.

The Department collected several surface water and sediment samples from Mill Creek and soil samples in the area surrounding the Site's washhouse and sump area. The sampling results indicate that hazardous substances have been released at the Site. There are an estimated 12,000 large containers stacked haphazardly at the Site. These large containers are called intermediate bulk containers (IBCs) or totes, and can hold up to a volume of 275 to 330 gallons. The Department and its contractor are presently cleaning up the Site by sampling containers, consolidating waste materials, and properly disposing of these materials at offsite permitted facilities.

The cleanup crew must wear protective clothing when sampling and working with each container. The Department expects these removal activities to take approximately 9 to 12 months. As part of the removal activities, the Department is taking measures to prevent or minimize any offsite contamination. Once the removal activities are completed, the surface and subsurface soil and the area's groundwater may be sampled.

Community Involvement

DHEC is committed to early, direct, and meaningful public involvement in the State's Superfund process.

The Site Assessment and Remediation Division is developing a CERCLA Community Involvement Plan (CIP) and a mailing list for distribution of information to interested parties. The Department is seeking input in the development of the CIP and the mailing list. Please submit your community concerns and comments to:

Pat Vincent
 SCDHEC-BL&WM
 2600 Bull Street
 Columbia, SC 29201-1701
 Direct Telephone: 803-896-4074
 Email: vincenpl@dhec.sc.gov

DHEC will provide the community with regular updates on the progress of this cleanup.

This Fact Sheet is provided to:

- Assist the community in understanding what is occurring in their community;
- Announce the Administrative Record is available at the local library;
- Provide an opportunity for you to comment on the Administrative Record; and,
- Provide background information regarding the Site.

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DHEC-BL&WM
 2600 Bull Street
 Columbia, SC 29206

DHEC's Site Contact Persons:

Angie Jones
 Project Manager
 803-896-4076

- can respond to questions regarding historical operations and technical questions regarding the Site

Pat Vincent
 Community Information Coordinator
 803-896-4074

- Can assist with any special needs of the public for the availability session

R. Gary Stewart
 Section Manager
 State Remediation
 803-896-4054

Please let DHEC know if you need translation assistance with this Fact Sheet, by calling:

Pat Vincent
 803-896-4074

For Our Spanish-speaking Community: Se Habla:
 866-300-9327

For Our Hearing-Impaired Community:
 800-984-4357

The Department may provide translated material if requested.

Horton Sales Operations

- Horton Sales operated as a container recycling business that received large intermediate bulk containers (“IBCs”) from industrial and commercial businesses.
- Although businesses were to ship empty IBCs to the Site, it appears that Horton Sales accepted shipments of IBCs that contained a wide variety of hazardous and non-hazardous substances.
- Horton Sales IBC recycling process:
 - If IBCs contained liquid product, employees would drain remaining liquid product and then rinse out the IBCs in the washhouse;
 - If IBCs contained a sludge-like product, an oil/water separator was used to separate liquid from the solids; then employees would rinse out these IBCs in the washhouse; and
 - The rinse water from washing out the IBCs flowed into floor drains in the wash house and then to one of three in-ground concrete tanks/sumps.
- At multiple times, these sumps overflowed and the wastewater was released into the Gantt Sewer District sanitary sewer system or to Mill Creek.
- The rinsed IBCs that were in good condition would be resold to businesses.

Review DHEC’s Administrative Record for the Horton Sales Site at The Greenville County Library-West Branch

DHEC announces that the Site’s Administrative Record (“AR”) for the Site is available for public review. The AR includes documents that form the basis for the selection of the response/cleanup actions. The Site’s Administrative Record is housed at two locations:

1. Greenville County Public Library – West Branch
2625 Anderson Road, Greenville, SC
2. DHEC’s Bureau of Land & Waste Management
8911 Farrow Road, Columbia, SC

The Department requires a written Freedom of Information (“FOIA”) Request for persons to make an appointment to review the Site File housed at DHEC.

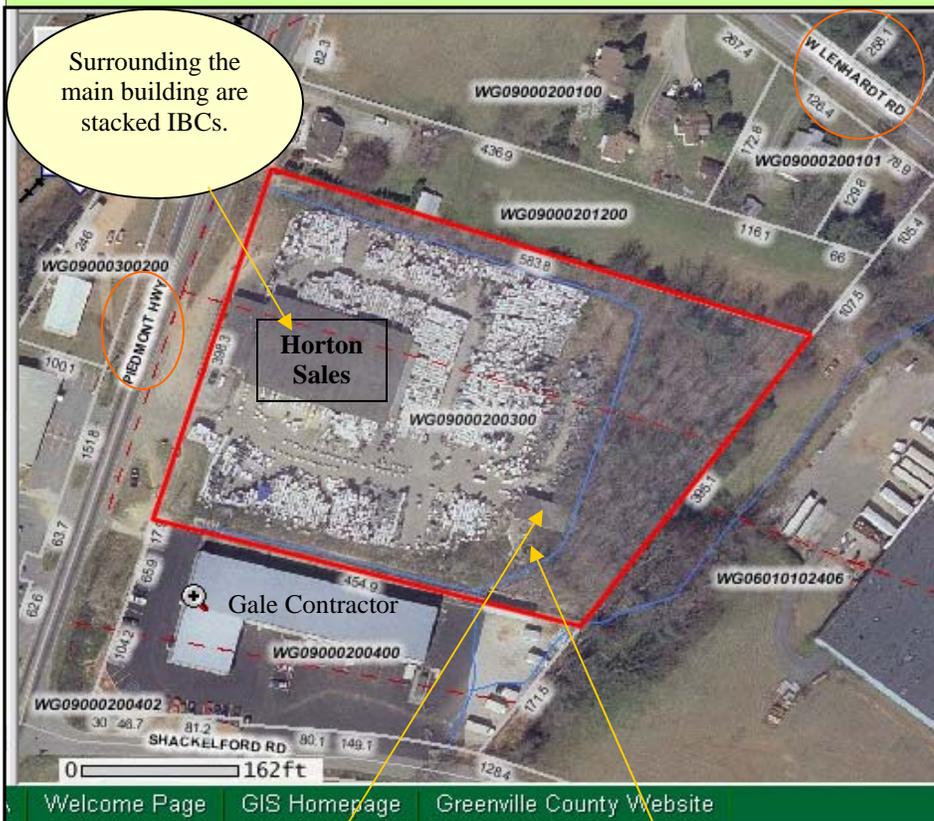
One may use the FOIA request form on the Department’s website at: www.scdhec.gov/administration/foi/index.htm and click on “Request Form (pdf)”, or one may send a simple letter, like the example below:

*Mr. Jody Hamm, FOIA Officer
SCDHEC’s FOIA Office
2600 Bull Street
Columbia, SC 29201*

I would like to review and/or copy DHEC’s Bureau of Land & Waste Management’s Site File #56198 for the Horton Sales Development Corporation—Piedmont Site pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Please call me at [Your Phone Number] to schedule my appointment.

SEND DHEC YOUR COMMENTS

All interested persons are encouraged to review the Administrative Record and to send your written comments to Pat Vincent, DHEC-BL&WM, 2600 Bull St., Columbia, SC 29201 or call Pat at 803-896-4074. Deadline for comments is April 30, 2007.



Surrounding the main building are stacked IBCs.

The washhouse where IBCs were rinsed and where rinse water drained into sump.

The sumps would overflow into Mill Creek.