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Dear Mr. Nemani:

Re: 2014 CA 750 Environmental Indicator Annual Monitoring Results
EPA ID #MID 041 793 340
RACER Nodular Facility - Saginaw, Michigan

This letter summarizes the CA 750 Environmental Indicators (EI) monitoring activities related to the Nodular Facility that is owned and operated by Revitalizing Auto Communities Environmental Response Trust (RACER) in Saginaw, Michigan.

The annual CA 750 EI monitoring was completed on November 12th and 14th, 2014.

Revisions were made to the 2014 EI monitoring program in accordance with the 2013 CA 750 EI Annual Monitoring Results recommendations dated February 13, 2014 as approved by United States EPA (U.S. EPA) via email dated November 4, 2014.

Figure 1 presents databoxes for all RACER EI locations, as well as additional monitoring well data collected in the source area of the high pH and ammonia. The databoxes show all data up to and including the 2014 EI results. As indicated on Figure 1:

GSI Wells (MW-03945, MW-04051, MW-04250R, MW-04257, and MW-04757)

- Ammonia was reported above the lowest applicable screening criterion (the GSI criterion of 2,120 micrograms per litre [$\mu\text{g/L}$]) in three monitoring wells ranging in concentration from 2,700 $\mu\text{g/L}$ to 7,300 $\mu\text{g/L}$
- pH was reported above the lowest applicable screening criterion (the Non-Residential Drinking Water criterion of 8.5 S.U.) in one monitoring well, MW-04250R at 10.0 S.U



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Source Area Wells (MW-04836, MW-04835, MW-05036, MW-8, and MW-04040)

- Ammonia was reported above the lowest applicable screening criterion (the GSI criterion of 2,120 µg/L) in three monitoring wells ranging from 4,900 µg/L to 33,000 µg/L
- pH was reported above the lowest applicable screening criterion (the Non-Residential Drinking Water criterion of 8.5 S.U.) in two monitoring wells, MW-8 at 10.3J S.U. and MW-05036 at 11.2J S.U

Please note that MW-04835 was not sampled as a result of there being more than 2-feet of standing water surrounding the monitoring well.

In summary, the results of the 2014 EI monitoring results are generally consistent or lower than the data evaluated in the RCRA CA725 & CA750 Environmental Indicators Supporting Documentation dated September 17, 2003.

Based on the results of the annual EI monitoring conducted in 2014, RACER proposes to remove MW-04835 from the EI monitoring program for 2015 since the monitoring well is consistently in standing water. The revised EI monitoring program for 2015 is summarized in Table 1.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Yours truly,

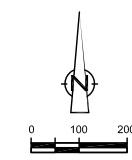
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LEGEND

- APPROXIMATE PROPERTY BOUNDARY
- MONITORING WELL LOCATION (582.12)
- GROUNDWATER ELEVATION - NOVEMBER 2014
- 586 UPPER WATER BEARING ZONE GROUNDWATER CONTOUR - FT. AMSL (NAVD 88) - NOVEMBER 2014

SAMPLE LOCATION

WELL ID	DATE	PARAMETER	RESULT (ug/L) EXCEPT pH WHICH IS IN S.U.
MW-04765	12/1/2005	Chromium Total	5.0 U
	8/22/2006	Chromium VI (hexavalent)	4.3 J
		Vanadium	10.0 U
		Vanadium	5.2 J
		Wet Ammonia	9000
		Cyanide (total)	3.1
		pH	7.44

PARAMETER

EXCEEDS CRITERIA

MICHIGAN PART 201 CRITERIA

Fraction	Parameter	Lowest Criteria (ug/L or s.u. for pH)	Criteria
METAL	Chromium (total)	100	A
METAL	Chromium VI	11	C
METAL	Mercury	0.0013	C
METAL	Vanadium	12	C
WET	Ammonia	2120	C
WET	Cyanide (total)	5.2	C
WET	Cyanide (amenable)	5.2	C
WET	pH	6.5 - 8.5	A

Chromium (total) use Chromium III (hexavalent) criteria.
 A: Non-Residential Drinking Water Criteria
 B: Non-Residential Groundwater Vol to Indoor Air Criteria
 C: GSI Criteria

NOTES:

- NOTE THAT THE UNIONIZED FRACTION OF AMMONIA IS A FUNCTION OF THE WATER BODY CLASSIFICATION (WARM WATER OR COLD WATER), PH AND TEMPERATURE OF THE RECEIVING WATER AND IS ESTIMATED AS A PERCENT OF THE TOTAL AMMONIA. THE SAGINAW RIVER HAS BEEN CLASSIFIED AS WARM WATER. THE GENERIC GSI CRITERION (CHRONIC) FOR UNIONIZED AMMONIA IS 53 ug/L FOR WARM WATER SURFACE WATER. (SEE FOOTNOTE CC OF THE PART 201 CLEANUP CRITERIA PART 213 RISK-BASED SCREENING LEVELS AND OPERATIONAL MEMORANDUM NO. 1 DATED DECEMBER 10, 2004. THE GENERIC ACUTE TOXICITY CRITERION FOR UNIONIZED AMMONIA IS 430 ug/L (PROVIDED TO CRA BY MDEQ ON MARCH 2, 2007 REGARDING A NEARBY FACILITY).
- BASED ON DATA AVAILABLE FOR THE SAGINAW RIVER FROM USGS, THE AVERAGE (1967-2005) TEMPERATURE AND PH FOR THE SAGINAW RIVER DURING THE FALL MONTHS (SEPT-NOV) ARE 12.5 DEGREES CELSIUS AND 8.3 UNITS, RESPECTIVELY. (USGS GAUGE 0487000 SOURCE: HTTP://WWW.WATERDATA.USGS.GOV/MNEMONIC). THEREFORE, FOR A PH OF 8.3 AND A TEMPERATURE OF 12.5 DEGREES CELSIUS, APPROXIMATELY 2.5 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL AMMONIA WILL BE PRESENT IN THE UNIONIZED FORM RESULTING IN A TOTAL AMMONIA GENERIC GSI CRITERION (CHRONIC) OF 2,100 ug/L (53 ug/L x 0.025).
- THEREFORE, FOR A PH OF 8 AND A TEMPERATURE OF 12.5 DEGREES CELSIUS, APPROXIMATELY 2.5 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL AMMONIA WILL BE PRESENT IN THE UNIONIZED FORM OR A MAXIMUM OF 216.5 ug/L (8,660 ug/L x 0.025) FOR THE NOVEMBER 2008 EVENT.
- NOTE THAT THE GSI CRITERIA DEVELOPED FOR TOTAL CHROMIUM WAS DEVELOPED FROM THE FINAL CHROMIUM VALUE CALCULATION FOR TRIVALENT CHROMIUM AS SPECIFIED IN THE MDEQ GUIDANCE. TOTAL CHROMIUM RESULTS WERE COMPARED TO TRIVALENT CHROMIUM CRITERIA SINCE EXTENSIVE SITE DATA SUPPORTS THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE TOTAL CHROMIUM IS TRIVALENT CHROMIUM. HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM IS STILL SAMPLED AT NUMEROUS LOCATIONS AND IS COMPARED TO HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM CRITERIA.
- MW-04884 GROUNDWATER ELEVATION NOT USED IN DETERMINATION OF GROUNDWATER CONTOURS.

MW-04257	1/29/2004	1/24/2005	9/12/2007	11/12/2008	12/3/2009	11/30/2010	11/2/2011	11/8/2012	7/16/2013	11/12/2013	11/14/2014
Metals											
Chromium	-	5.0 U	150	116 J	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chromium VI (hexavalent)	-	-	50 U	R	5 J	10 J	20 U	20 U	-	-	-
Vanadium	-	10.0 U	10 U	10.0 U	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wet											
Ammonia	-	990	-	1170	1070	1200	820	340	-	630	350
Cyanide (amenable)	-	-	-	-	-	10 U	10 U	10 U	-	10 U	-
Cyanide (total)	-	-	10 U	10 U	R	10 U	10 U	10 U	-	10 U	-
pH	6.90	7.25/6.79	7.27	7.13 J/7.15	6.84/6.97 J	7.2 J/6.84	7.0 J/6.88	6.97 J/6.79	7.22	7.35/7.30 J	7.32 J

MW-04051	1/29/2004	1/21/2005	10/8/2005	9/14/2007	11/5/2008	12/3/2009	11/23/2010	11/1/2011	11/8/2012	7/16/2013	11/12/2013	11/14/2014
Metals												
Chromium	-	5.0 U	-	5 U	5 U	-	200 U	9.7 J/4.7 J	-	100 U	-	-
Chromium VI (hexavalent)	-	-	-	50 UJ	50 UJ	8 J	10 U	10 U/10 UJ	-	10 U	-	-
Mercury	-	-	-	0.0007 J	0.001 U	R	0.0005 UJ	0.0005 UJ	-	0.20 U	-	-
Vanadium	-	10.0 U	-	10 U	10.0 U	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wet												
Ammonia	-	3450	-	-	6330	5170	5600	5700/5300	5800	-	4600	4400
Cyanide (amenable)	-	-	-	-	-	R	10 U	10 U/10 UJ	-	10 U	-	-
Cyanide (total)	-	-	-	4 J	10 U	10 U	10 U	10 U/10 UJ	-	10 U	-	-
pH	7.48	6.91/6.53	6.69	7.30	6.98 J/6.76	6.05/6.83 J	7.6 J/6.72	6.8 J/6.58/6.8 J	6.88/6.89 J	6.85	7.03 J/6.94	7.13 J

MW-03945	1/29/2004	1/21/2005	10/8/2005	9/14/2007	11/5/2008	12/3/2009	11/23/2010	11/1/2011	11/8/2012	7/16/2013	11/12/2013	11/14/2014
Metals												
Chromium	-	5.0 U/5.0 U	-	5 U	5 U	-	200 U/200 U	3.4 J	200 U	-	-	-
Chromium VI (hexavalent)	-	-	-	50 UJ	50 UJ	8 J/8 J	10 UJ	10 UJ	10 U	-	-	-
Mercury	-	-	-	0.0008 J	0.001 U	R/R	0.0005 UJ/0.0005 UJ	0.0005 UJ	0.20 U	-	-	-
Vanadium	-	10.0 U/10.0 U	-	10 U	10.0 U	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wet												
Ammonia	-	7700/7700	-	-	8880	7690/8040	7000/7200	6700	8900	9100	5100	7300
Cyanide (amenable)	-	-	-	-	-	R/R	10 U/10 U	10 U	10 U	-	10 U	-
Cyanide (total)	-	-	-	6 J	2 J	R/R	10 U/10 U	10 U	10 U	-	10 U	-
pH	7.31	6.82/6.32/6.87	6.57	7.22	6.69/6.87 J	6.69/6.64 J/6.59 J	6.89/6.9 J/6.9 J	6.57/6.7 J	6.70 J/6.63	6.68	6.93 J/6.7	7.01 J

MW-04250	12/4/1998	7/18/2000
Metals		
Chromium	186/173	28
Chromium (dissolved)	5 U/5 U	5 U
Chromium VI (hexavalent)	-	10 U
Mercury	0.2/0.2 U	-
Mercury (dissolved)	0.2 U/0.2 U	-
Vanadium	89/84	33
Wet		
Cyanide (total)	10 U/10 U	7

MW-04040	12/19/2002	2/5/2004	11/12/2014
Wet			
Ammonia	490	600	610

MW-04250R	9/28/2005	10/7/2005	8/31/2006	9/13/2007	11/5/2008	12/17/2008	12/3/2009	11/23/2010	11/1/2011	11/8/2012	7/16/2013	11/12/2013	11/14/2014
Metals													
Chromium	5.5	-	2.2 J/2.2 J	5 U	5 U/5 U	-	-	50 UJ	40 U	20 UJ	20 U/20 U	-	-
Chromium VI (hexavalent)	-	-	20 J/20 J	50 U	50 U/50 UJ	-	-	50 UJ	40 U	20 UJ	20 U/20 U	-	-
Mercury	-	-	0.0041/0.00443	0.0062	0.00477/0.00462	-	0.0027 J	0.00065 UJ	0.0024 J	0.20 U/0.20 U	-	-	-
Vanadium	13.7	-	6.8 J/6.1 J	10 U	10 U/10 U	-	10.0 U	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wet													
Ammonia	-	-	-	-	-	4080	4330	9100	4400	4800/6800	-	5000/5200	2700 J/1600 J
Cyanide (amenable)	-	-	-	-	-	10 U	10 U	10 U/10 U	10 U/10 U	10 U/10 U	-	10 U/10 U	-
Cyanide (total)	-	-	-	-	-	R	R	10 U/10 U	10 U/10 U	10 U/10 U	-	10 U/10 U	-
pH	11.01 J	10.48	11.16/11.12	10.90	10.76 J/10.85 J	10.98	10.67/10.72 J	9.9 J/10.05	9.3 J/9.43	9.95/9.55 J/9.49 J	10.83	9.79/9.68 J/9.68 J	9.98 J/10.0 J

MW-04836	8/2/2000	12/14/2001	12/1/2002	1/29/2004	1/18/2005	10/7/2005	7/18/2013	11/13/2013	11/12/2014
Wet									
Ammonia	2030	50	-	-	-	-	11000	35000	33000
pH	7.74	7.37	11.19	7.70	7.45	7.32	7.72	7.31 J/7.45	7.39 J

MW-04835	12/17/2001	12/19/2002	1/29/2004	11/13/2013
Wet				
Ammonia	-	-	900	-
pH	8.05	6.91	8.44	7.29/7.20 J

MW-8	3/7/1988	8/7/2000	12/14/2001	12/19/2002	1/14/2005	10/7/2005	7/15/2013	11/13/2013	11/12/2014
Wet									
Ammonia	17000	19100	55700	33000	30300	-	17000	10000	10000
pH	10.2	10.98	11.06	11.19	11.01	10.13	11.35	10.7/10.7 J	10.3 J

MW-05036	12/3/1998	8/2/2000	12/14/2001	1/29/2004	1/18/2005	10/7/2005	7/18/2013	11/13/2013	11/12/2014
Wet									
Ammonia	-	-	2400	-	-	-	4900	4900	-
pH	6.76	10.49	9.35	10.80	9.94	9.49	12.25	11.4 J/12.12	11.2 J

SCALE VERIFICATION

THIS BAR MEASURES 1" ON ORIGINAL. ADJUST SCALE ACCORDINGLY.

RACER NODULAR IRON INDUSTRIAL LAND

SAGINAW, MICHIGAN

SUMMARY OF EI LOCATIONS AND RESULTS (1998 - 2014)



Source Reference:

Project Manager:	Reviewed By:	Date:
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Scale:	Project No.:	Report No.:
1"=400'	58502-T01	NEMA023
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		figure 1

TABLE 1

**EI MONITORING PROGRAM
NODULAR FACILITY, SAGINAW, MICHIGAN**

<i>IU</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Parameter</i>	<i>Monitoring Purpose</i>	<i>Propose to Eliminate from EI Monitoring</i>	<i>Comments</i>
G	MW-04250/MW-04250R	mercury	GSI	No	
G	MW-04250/MW-04250R	pH	GSI	No	
G	MW-04250/MW-04250R	ammonia	GSI	No	
G	MW-04757	ammonia	GSI	No	
Wells added in 2007 per EPA's email request dated August 8, 2007.					
G	MW-03945	pH	GSI	No	
G	MW-03945	ammonia	GSI	No	
G	MW-04051	pH	GSI	No	
G	MW-04051	ammonia	GSI	No	
G	MW-04257	pH	GSI	No	
G	MW-04257	ammonia	GSI	No	
Wells added in 2013 per RACER's recommendation dated October 23, 2013					
G	MW-04836	pH	GSI	No	
G	MW-04836	ammonia	GSI	No	
G	MW-04835	pH	GSI	yes	Monitoring well consistently in standing water
G	MW-04835	ammonia	GSI	yes	Monitoring well consistently in standing water
G	MW-05036	pH	GSI	No	
G	MW-05036	ammonia	GSI	No	
G	MW-8	pH	GSI	No	
G	MW-8	ammonia	GSI	No	
Well to be added to the the 2014 monitoring program					
G	MW-04040	ammonia	GSI	No	

Notes:

- Table updated to remove select parameters based on 4 consecutive rounds below criteria.
- Wells evaluated using most recent groundwater data compared to appropriate EI criteria.
- Since 2005 all samples for metals analyses have been collected using low flow sampling techniques and were unfiltered.
- GSI = Selected to monitor stability based on exceedances of groundwater surface water interface criteria in most recent samples.
- NA - Not applicable.