

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7985-5]

Administrative Order on Consent—Denver Radium OU 2**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.**ACTION:** Notice of Proposed Settlement Agreement Pursuant to Sections 104, 106(a), 107 and 122 of CERCLA and request for public comment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of a proposed settlement pursuant to sections 104, 106(a), 107 and 122 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. 9604, 9606(a), 9607 and 9622, as amended (“CERCLA”), and under the authority of the Attorney General of the United States to compromise and settle claims of the United States concerning the Denver Radium Superfund site, Operable Unit 2 (“OU 2”). The proposed settlement is embodied in an Administrative Order on Consent (“AOC”) between the United States, on behalf of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) and the Atlas Metal & Iron Corp. and Atlas Umatilla, LLC (“Settling Respondents,” collectively the “Parties”).

This AOC provides for the performance of operation and maintenance activities by the Settling Respondents, the recording of an environmental covenant by Atlas Umatilla, LLC, and the reimbursement of certain response costs incurred by the United States at or in connection with OU 2. In exchange, the United States will provide covenants to the Settling Respondents under sections 106 and 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9606 or 9607, will provide contribution protection for the Settling Respondents, and will waive any lien(s) it may have on the property located at 1100 Umatilla, Denver, Colorado (“Property”) under sections 107(l) and 107(r) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607(l) and 9607(r). EPA has notified the State of Colorado (the “State”) of this action pursuant to section 106(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9606(a).

The Property was listed on the NPL as part of OU 2, on September 8, 1983. EPA issued a ROD for OU 2 on September 29, 1987. The ROD called for excavation and off-site disposal of the radium-contaminated soils. During implementation of the ROD, EPA determined that some radium-contaminated soils could be left in place pursuant to supplemental standards and

also discovered the lead contaminated soils. It was determined that excavation, treatment, and off-Site disposal were the best response actions for the lead contaminated soils. These changes to the ROD were documented in an Explanation of Significant Differences (ESD) dated September 17, 1993.

Operation and maintenance activities still need to be performed at the Property, including implementation of institutional controls, to limit or control disturbances of any contaminated soils left on-Site under supplemental standards, to restrict use of ground water, and to monitor and maintain acceptable radon levels in buildings on the Property.

DATES: Comments should be received by November 17, 2005. The Agency will consider all comments received on the proposed AOC and may modify or withdraw its consent to the settlement if comments received disclose facts or considerations which indicate that the settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate. The Agency’s response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at the EPA Superfund Record Center, 999 18th Street, 5th Floor, in Denver, Colorado.

ADDRESSES: The proposed settlement and additional background information relating to the settlement are available for public inspection at the EPA Superfund Records Center, 999 18th Street, 5th Floor, in Denver, Colorado. Comments and requests for a copy of the proposed settlement should be addressed to Sharon Abendschan, Enforcement Specialist (8ENF-RC), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 999 18th Street, Suite 300, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466, and should reference the Denver Radium-OU 2 proposed AOC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard Sisk, Legal Enforcement Attorney (ENF-L) Legal Enforcement Program, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 999 18th Street, Suite 300, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466, (303) 312-6638.

It is so agreed.

Dated: October 12, 2005.

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Office of Enforcement, Compliance and
Environmental Justice, Region VIII.*

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National Clean Water Act Recognition Awards: Presentation of Awards During the Water Environment Federation’s Technical Exposition and Conference (WEFTEC), and Announcement of 2005 National Awards Winners**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency will recognize municipalities and industries for outstanding and innovative technological achievements in wastewater treatment and pollution abatement programs at the annual Clean Water Act Recognition Awards ceremony during the Water Environment Federation’s Technical Exposition and Conference (WEFTEC) in Washington, DC. An inscribed plaque will be presented to first and second place national winners for projects and programs in operations and maintenance at wastewater treatment facilities, biosolids management, pretreatment and storm water management. This action also announces the 2005 national awards winners.

DATES: Monday, October 31, 2005, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The awards presentation ceremony will be held at the Washington Convention Center, 801 Mount Vernon Place, NW., Washington, DC.

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campbell.maria@epa.gov. Also visit the Office of Wastewater Management’s Web page at <http://www.epa.gov/owm>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Clean Water Act Recognition Awards are authorized by section 501(a) and (e) of the Clean Water Act, and 33 U.S.C. 1361(a) and (e). Applications and nominations for the national award must be recommended by EPA regions. A regulation establishes a framework for the annual recognition awards program at 40 CFR part 105. EPA announced the availability of application and nomination information for this year’s awards (70 FR 18396, April 11, 2005). The awards program provides national recognition and encourages public support of programs aimed at protecting the public’s health and safety and the nation’s water quality. State water

pollution control agencies and EPA regional offices make recommendations to headquarters for the national awards. Programs and projects being recognized are in compliance with applicable water quality requirements and have a satisfactory record with respect to environmental quality. Municipalities and industries are recognized for their demonstrated achievements in the following awards categories:

- (1) Outstanding operations and maintenance practices at wastewater treatment facilities;
- (2) Exemplary biosolids management projects, technology/innovation or development activities, research and public acceptance efforts;
- (3) Outstanding municipal implementation and enforcement of local pretreatment programs;

- (4) Implementing outstanding, innovative, and cost-effective storm water control. The winners of the EPA's 2005 National Clean Water Act Recognition Awards are listed below by category.

Operations and Maintenance Awards Category

First Place:

- Durham Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility Clean Water Services, Tigard, Oregon
- Metro Wastewater Reclamation District, Denver, Colorado
- Mount Holly Water Pollution Control Facility, Mount Holly, New Jersey
- Northwest Water Reclamation Facility, Kennesaw, Georgia
- Brownstown Wastewater Utility, Brownstown, Indiana
- Lawrence Municipal Wastewater Treatment Facility, Lawrence, Kansas
- Fountain Sanitation District, Fountain, Colorado
- Newington New Hampshire Wastewater Treatment Facility, Newington, New Hampshire
- North Conway Wastewater Treatment Facility, North Conway, Connecticut
- South Blue River Waste Water Treatment Facility, Breckenridge Sanitation District, Breckenridge, Colorado.

Sub-Category:

- Large Advanced Plant (tie).
- Large Advanced Plant (tie).
- Medium Advanced Plant (tie).
- Medium Advanced Plant (tie).
- Small Advanced Plant.
- Large Secondary Plant.
- Medium Secondary Plant.
- Small Secondary Plant.
- Large Non-discharging Plant.
- Small Non-discharging Plant.

Second Place:

- Blue Lake Wastewater Treatment Plant, Metropolitan Council Environmental Services, Shakopee, Minnesota.
- Wheaton Sanitary District, Wheaton, Illinois
- Village of Lima Wastewater Treatment Plant, Lima, New York
- Town of Canton Water Pollution Control Facility, Canton, Connecticut

Sub-Category:

- Large Advanced Plant.
- Medium Advanced Plant.
- Small Advanced Plant.
- Small Secondary Plant.

Biosolids Management Awards Category

First Place:

- District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority, Biosolids Management Program, Washington, DC
- Lawrence Municipal Wastewater Treatment Facility,

Sub-Category:

- Large Operating Projects.
- Small Operating Projects Lawrence, Kansas
- Research Activities.

Dr. Ken Barbarick and Dr. Jim Ippolito, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado

Second Place:

- West Jackson County Land Application Facility, Pascagoula, Mississippi

Sub-Category:

- Small Operating Projects.

Honorable Mention:

- Butler County Department of Environmental Services, Hamilton, Ohio
- Tri-Cities Regional Wastewater Authority and Veolia Water North America, Dayton, Ohio

Sub-Category:

- Large Operating Projects.
- Small Operating Projects.

Pretreatment Awards Category

First Place:

- Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, Martinez, California

Sub-Category:

- Greater than 20 Significant Industrial Users (SIUs).

City of Wilsonville Water Pollution Control Facility, Wilsonville, Oregon

Second Place:

- Broward County Water and Wastewater Services Utility Compliance and Monitoring Industrial Pretreatment Program, Pompano Beach, Florida.

Sub-Category:

- Greater than 20 SIUs.

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6-20 SIUs.

Stormwater Management Awards Category

First Place:

- Northrop Grumman/Newport News/Continental Maritime of San Diego, Inc., San Diego, California

Sub-Category:

Industrial.

Dated: October 5, 2005.

James A. Hanlon,

Director, Office of Wastewater Management.
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FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

Farm Credit Administration Board; Regular Meeting

AGENCY: Farm Credit Administration.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b(e)(3)), that the November 10, 2005 regular meeting of the Farm Credit Administration Board (Board) has been rescheduled. The regular meeting of the Board will be