MD-402 Cecil County

WHITTAKER TROJAN YACHT Elkton, Maryland

- 1964 Boat manufacturing began.
- 1972 Fiberglass boat manufacturing began.
- 1982 Facility obtained Designated Hazardous Substance Permit A245.
- 1989 Manufacturing ceased.
- 1991 MDE conducted a Preliminary Assessment and recommended NFRAP. EPA concurred with the recommendation.

Site Location

The 26-acre Whittaker Trojan Yacht facility is located on Oldfield Point Road in Elkton, Cecil County, Maryland. The Big Elk River forms the east boundary of the property. Agricultural land forms the west boundary, across Oldfield Point Road. Woods border the north and south sides. The facility consisted of one main plant building, a guard shed, and a solvent waste storage area. The geographic coordinates of the site are 39° 36' 59" North and 76° 51' 19" West.

Site History

In 1964, Trojan Acquisition Company purchased the 26-acre yacht facility, part of a 134-acre tract, from Morris Kramar and Howard Logan. Kramar and Logan purchased the land from Adele Wallard in October 1956 when the property was known as the Oldfield Point Farm. In February 1969, Trojan Acquisition merged with Whittaker Corporation.

Whittaker Trojan Yacht manufactured pleasure boats at the Elkton facility from 1964 until 1989, when the plant was closed. Between 1972 and 1989, the company manufactured fiberglass boats, which generated acetone and toluene as spent solvents. In April 1982, the plant obtained a Designated Hazardous Substances Facility Permit A245 from the State of Maryland, which allowed them to store spent solvents. The wastes were contained in drums located in a designated waste solvent storage area. The facility was identified as a small quantity hazardous waste generator under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) ID number MDD059172221. The spent solvents were transported to an off-site recycling facility. In addition to spent solvents, the facility generated resin covered paper products. The waste paper products, containing resin, spent acetone and spent toluene, were compacted on site and transported for disposal in a nearby landfill.

The Whittaker facility submitted a closure plan to the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) in June 1988, and received approval of its closure in May 1991. Closure was performed in accordance with the facility permit. All waste was removed from the site and disposed of properly.

Environmental Investigations

MDE performed a *Preliminary Assessment* of the facility in 1991. The Preliminary Assessment report noted there were no suspected releases at the facility during its history of operation, and soil samples collected during closure showed only low levels of acetone and toluene. In December 1991, MDE recommended the site for No Further Remedial Action Planned (NFRAP) under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act. The EPA concurred with this recommendation.

Current Status

This site is on the State Master List that identifies potential hazardous waste sites in Maryland. The Master List includes sites currently identified by the EPA's Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Information System. EPA has given the site a designation of NFRAP. The designation of NFRAP by EPA does not mean that MDE has reached the same conclusion concerning further investigation at the site. The information contained in the fact sheet presents a summary of past investigations and site conditions currently known to MDE.

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