CECIL COUNTY LANDFILL
Elkton, Maryland

**Site Description**

The Cecil County Landfill, also known as the Old Elk Neck Landfill, is located east of Old Elk Neck Road, approximately 2-½ miles southwest of the city of Elkton.

**Site History**

Cecil County operated the site as an industrial landfill from 1969 to 1978. The County reported receiving wastes from Air Products, General Cable, Airco, Central Chemical, RMR Corporation, Air Reduction Company, Plasticoid, and an unidentified fireworks company. Waste streams reportedly deposited at the landfill included approximately 20,000 pounds annually of polyvinyl acetate as well as undetermined quantities of polyvinyl chloride (PVC) polymer, acrylates, latex emulsions, and pesticide wastes (including sevin and DDT). Cecil County Environmental Health Department files indicate that over 18,000 pounds of municipal waste, including some waste fireworks, were disposed of at the site.

**Environmental Investigations**

In June 1985, the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) conducted a Preliminary Assessment which recommended further investigation due to the large amounts of chemical wastes reported to have been sent to the site for disposal.

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**Current Status**

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