

# Royal Chemical Company (Former Johnson Diversey Company)

**880 Crowe Rd.  
East Stroudsburg, PA 18301  
Congressional District: 10  
EPA ID No.: PAD000736975  
Facility property area: 43 acres  
Last Updated: July 2012**

Related Links:

Royal Chemical Company - <http://www.royalchemical.com/stroudsburg.html>

## Status

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On October 24, 2011, EPA determined that current human exposures and migration of contaminated groundwater are under control at the Former Johnson Diversey Company (Facility). With respect to human exposures, the groundwater, soil, surface water, sediments, or air media at the Facility are not known or reasonably suspected to be contaminated above appropriately protective risk-based levels, and there are no unacceptable human exposures to potential contamination that can be reasonably expected under the current land- and groundwater-use conditions. With respect to the groundwater, it is not known or reasonably suspected to be contaminated above appropriately protective levels (i.e., applicable promulgated standards, as well as other appropriate standards, guidelines, guidance or criteria) at the Facility. The human health and groundwater EI determinations are based on EPA's review of the existing environmental information for the Facility.

EPA's review of available information indicates that there are no unaddressed releases of hazardous waste or hazardous constituents from the Facility. On May 16, 2012, EPA announced its proposed decision of Corrective Action Complete without Controls under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended, for the Facility. Consistent with public participation provisions under RCRA, EPA requested comments from the public on the proposed remedy as described in the April 27, 2012 Statement of Basis (SB). The commencement of a thirty (30) day public comment period was announced in *The Pocono Record* newspaper on May 16, 2012 and on the EPA Region III website. The public comment period ended on June 14, 2012.

On June 20, 2012, EPA approved its final remedy decision for the Facility in a document entitled the Final Decision and Response to Comments (FDRTC). EPA received no comments on the proposed decision. Consequently, EPA's final determination is unchanged from the proposal. EPA has determined that its final decision is protective of human health and the environment and that no further corrective action or land use controls are necessary at this time.

## **Background**

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Royal Chemical Company (RCC) currently owns the 43-acre Facility located at 880 Crowe Road, East Stroudsburg, Monroe County, Pennsylvania. Formerly the Facility has operated under the following names/ownership:

- Johnson Diversey from May 2002 until November 2006;
- Diversey Lever from October 1996 until May 2002;
- Diversey Corporation from April 1991 to October 1996;
- Diversey Wyandotte from April 1991 to April 1980; and,
- BASF Wyandote Corporation from January 1969 to April 1980.

The Former Johnson Diversey Company manufactured specialty cleaning chemicals used in the industrial, institutional, and food markets. Products were produced in a batch mixing operation where raw materials were added by bulk lines, drums, and/or bags to mixing vessels. After mixing, the product was sent to holding tanks and then on to the packaging line. In 2006, Johnson Diversey was acquired by RCC, a liquid custom chemical compound and contract manufacturer headquartered in Macedonia, Ohio. The East Stroudsburg Facility is one of five RCC facilities throughout the continental United States.

Prior to November 2006, the Former Johnson Diversey Facility operated as a Large Quantity Generator (LQG) of hazardous waste under the EPA ID No. PAD000736975. However, the current operations under RCC do not generate hazardous waste.

## **Documents and Reports**

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Human Health EI  
Groundwater EI  
Statement of Basis  
Final Decision and Response to Comments

## **Photographs, Maps and Diagrams**

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Aerial Photograph of Site

## **Reuse Information**

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Site is under continued use.

## **Government Contact**

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