

# The Proctor & Gamble Paper Products Company

Route 87, 3 miles West of Route 6  
Mechoopany, PA 18629  
Congressional District 10  
EPA ID #: PAD014391874  
Facility Property Area: 1 acre  
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## Current Progress at the Site

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Procter & Gamble is one of EPA Region III's high priority RCRA corrective action sites.

Procter & Gamble is an operating manufacturing plant with a closed hazardous waste storage facility, a closed residual waste landfill, and operating residual waste treatment impoundments. The Facility is subject to Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) Solid Waste Permit No. 300016 (Solid Waste Permit). The permitting requirements include the operation and maintenance of a groundwater monitoring system and the leachate collection system, and maintenance of the landfill cap.

The PA Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) routinely inspects the facility for compliance with its permit requirements. Groundwater and surface water are monitored under the terms of the State Permit.

## Facility Description

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Procter & Gamble is located in a rural area on Route 87 at Meshopany Ridge Road, Washington Township, Wyoming County, PA. The Facility is situated on approximately 1100 acres, of which 350 are developed along the north bank of the Susquehanna River. (Figures 1 and 2) The plant was constructed in 1965 as a pulp, paper, and diaper mill. The pulp mill ceased operations in 1999. The plant still manufactures paper products with pulp from off-site sources.

The Facility operated as an interim status hazardous waste storage facility from July 1981 until July 1992. At that time Procter & Gamble converted to a hazardous waste generator status, with storage of hazardous waste in containers for less than 90 days.

The interim status storage area was clean-closed in 1992. The residual waste landfill was closed in 1993 in accordance with the PADEP-approved closure plan.

EPA has evaluated the clean closure of the hazardous waste storage area, and the closure and post-closure care of the residual waste landfill. On-going groundwater sampling shows that

releases from the Facility are controlled by the cap structures and leachate collection system.

## **Site Responsibility**

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RCRA Corrective Action activities at this facility are "State-Lead" which means on-going monitoring requirements are being directed by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) through the RCRA permitting program.

## **Institutional Controls**

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The PADEP Solid Waste Permit and RCRA Permit impose land-use restrictions on the closed residual waste landfill. Current and future access is restricted to required operation and maintenance activity. The facility is fenced to prevent unauthorized access.

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