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Memorandum

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Subject: South Terminal – Upland Remediation
PCB Material Stockpiles

To: New Bedford Harbor Superfund Site – SER
South Terminal Project Site File

From: Kimberly Tisa, PCB Coordinator KTisa

I received a call from Chet Myers (APEX), MassCEC's consultant for the South Terminal Project, on Friday, August 9, 2013, regarding the stockpiles at the main facility area of the upland remediation for the South Terminal site. PCB concentrations in composite samples were > 50 ppm in several samples (high over 200 ppm). These concentrations were not expected as the stockpiles were comprised of the topsoil (primarily < top 2 feet of soils) and were not associated with previous hot spot areas. The plan is to run individual (discrete) samples and see if they can narrow down problem areas.

I also instructed Chet not to do deeper excavations until this can be resolved or if this occurs, the excavated materials will need to be treated as a > 50 ppm PCB waste. Chet indicated if any excavations continue, it would be limited to top soils and will be kept segregated from other piles. I told Chet based on these results, all soils must be "disposed of" off site. He indicated he would be contacting me today for further directions and hopefully with additional data.

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