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Just to be sure everyone is reading the same things, here's some questions Kim posed to Apex. I'll forward the answers in a separate email. Please forward to anyone else you think may be interested.

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Chet-

Regarding my questions below, I did read your e-mail of 6/20 regarding Responses to TSCA as well as the June 2012 Responses to EPA Comments. My review of the June 2012 Attachments is outstanding and I may have some additional questions upon review of these.

Thus, with respect to my questions below, I provide the following clarifications on my e-mail previous to this, as well as questions following my review.

1. With respect to the drainage swale sediment Q1, below, my previous e-mail referenced a question on disposal in CAD-3, which should have stated CAD-2 (typo on my part).
2. What was the sampling depth for the PCB sampling that was done on the drainage swale sediments versus the depth of proposed excavation of the sediments? It is not clear what the proposed PCB cleanup standard is for this area and what is the proposed post-excavation sampling to document remaining PCB concentrations?
3. In the Q1 Response to TSCA 6/20 email, it was indicated that upland soil which was not suitable geotechnically would be disposed of off-site. Please clarify how these materials would be managed as based on the current information, it would not appear that sufficient information exists to readily classify the PCB concentrations in upland soils for off-site disposal, unless all generated soils will be managed in accordance with 40 CFR 761.61(b). Thus, clarification is requested.
4. With respect to the upland area, the current plan proposes to remove and dispose of PCB-contaminated soils with > 25 ppm in 2 areas. There is also mention about the possibility of additional excavation of Pb-contaminated soils, which is still under review by the Commonwealth. Other than the Pb issue, is any additional sampling and/or site characterization proposed in the upland area for purposes of compliance with the MCP requirements?
5. With respect to my Q2, below regarding the use of silt curtains, in the revised June 2012, the Commonwealth's response to Q5L appears to indicate that silt curtains will be used at all times around any filling area that is not completely enclosed or around any capping, dredging, or other construction activity b/t January 15 and June 15. In addition, in the first paragraph of the response it is indicated that the Commonwealth will monitor turbidity around all dredging, capping, and bulkhead construction work areas, regardless of the time of year. Please clarify if this is correct. Please also clarify if any monitoring for Total Suspended Solids will be conducted.

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Chet-

I'm reviewing ST and have questions on the following. Perhaps these are provided somewhere, but given the volume

of materials I'm not laying my hands on the pertinent pieces of the documents.

1. With respect to the drainage swale, 2007 data indicated that at least 1 area (RF-1) contained PCBs at slightly above 50 ppm, based on the adjusted correction factor of 2.6. I also noted that the 2007 data indicates that other cocs in this same area were substantively different from the other 2 locations, namely RF-2 and RF-3.

- What is the current proposed management of the drainage swale sediments?

- Is it still proposed to manage these sediments in CAD-3? If so, how does the concentration of all cocs in the drainage swale sediments compare to the cocs concentrations in the harbor sediments that will be dredged during the ST project?

2. During dredging and disposal (i.e., placement) of sediments, it is unclear if a silt curtain will be employed. It appears that the plan is to comply with the performance standards as specified in Appendix 75, but these standards only indicate that a silt curtain "may" be employed. Further, the plan only appears to specifically reference dredging, so clarification on how these performance standards and turbidity monitoring frequencies will be employed during disposal operations is requested.

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Thanks for the info. However, I'm still waiting for the discussion on the risk-based cleanup rather than the self-implementing cleanup which is contained in the January 2012 SER - ST.

I think you were also going to include a discussion on how your proposal was to comply with both TSCA and the MCP requirements, as well as what areas were to be placed under a deed restriction.

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Chet Myers ---06/07/2012 06:41:36 PM---Hi Kim, Attached please find additional EPA sampling data, combined with the existing sampling data

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Hi Kim,

Attached please find additional EPA sampling data, combined with the existing sampling data for the New Bedford Marine Commerce Terminal project.

As you know, we are currently unsure if the Federal Channel portion of the dredging will need to be addressed. Therefore, we tabulated the data separately from the channel and boat basin data. We have created volumetric-based average concentrations, similar to that produced for the CAD Cell #3 drawing and the Stormwater Drainage Swale Drawing we delivered to you last week.

We realize that we had discussed that there is USACE data in these locations as well, which is true; however, the nature of the data (which was composited), made it difficult to combine in an apples-to-apples basis with the other available data. We can add it at a later date, but we wanted to get this to you now.

Please contact me with any questions.

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