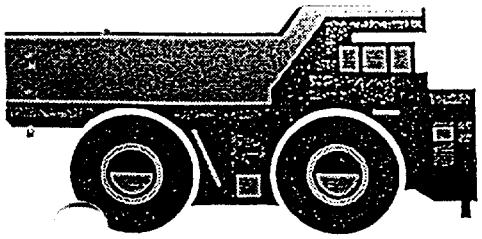

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Status of Budget for Cleanup

EPA recently received an additional $3 million to continue demolition of Raymark's buildings, increasing the budget to $18.97 million. To date, the demolition and other work at the site have cost approximately $13 million. Unfortunately, $41.1 million is still needed to complete demolition, build a protective cap, and remove solvents from the groundwater.

EPA is currently operating under its second temporary budget from Congress. Future funding for this cleanup is uncertain at this time pending a final budget that will be passed by Congress. Budget constraints have prevented EPA from adding crews and increasing work hours to speed the demolition as planned.

EPA is making every effort to work with the current developer to redevelop this property. Further delays may jeopardize redevelopment of the property by this developer. Decreased funding may require work to cease at the site. $1.5 million is being saved in the event that safe, temporary shutdown of the site is necessary.

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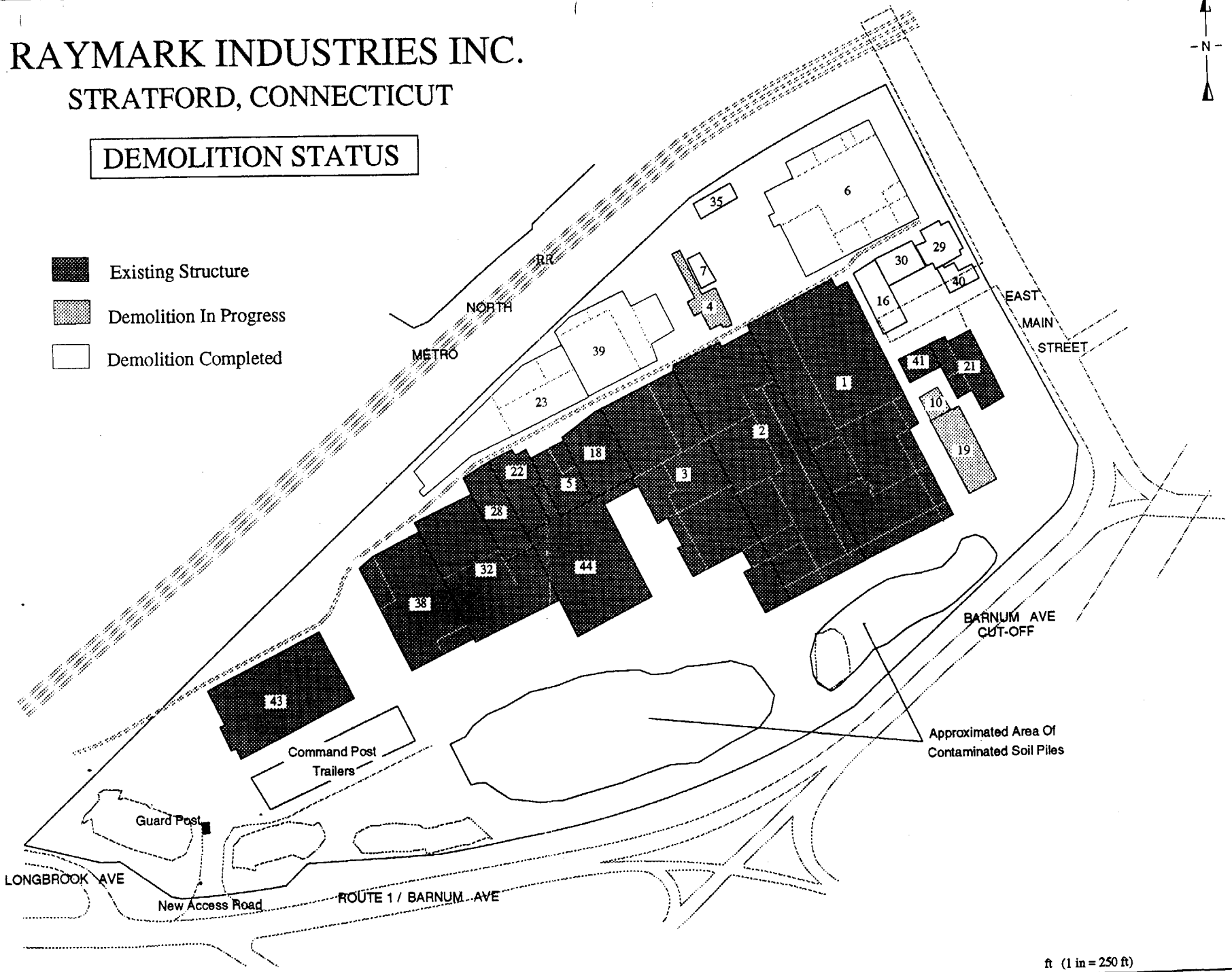

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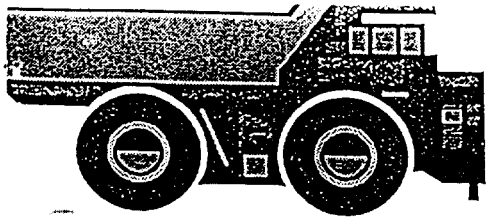

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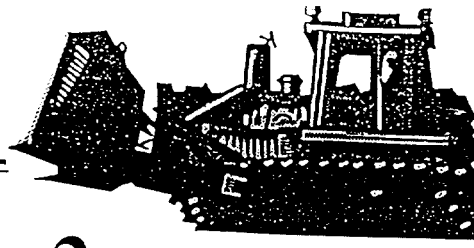

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Raymark Building Demolition Continues

Demolition of buildings #4, 10 and 19 is underway. Asbestos abatement continues to be performed ahead of the buildings to be demolished. Building debris is currently being taken off-site for disposal and/or recycling. As of November 29, 650 tons of steel, 43 truck loads of roofing debris consisting mainly of wood, and 4 truck loads of asbestos have been taken off-site.

Residential waste stored in "Supersacs" is being removed from the buildings to allow their demolition. The sacs will be stored outside and covered with a heavy-duty black plastic. In addition, the outdoor soil piles will no longer be sprayed with colored foam. Instead the piles will be covered with this same tough plastic to protect them from the weather. Current funding will allow the demolition to continue until approximately late January or early February.

Air Testing Results

From November 13th to-date air testing at the site boundary revealed no contaminants or dust at unsafe levels. The health agencies continue to evaluate and review air monitoring results to ensure contaminants are not migrating off-site at levels that are a concern for public health. Testing will continue until demolition is finished. The air testing results are available at the town library.

Solvent Removal Continues

As of November 29, 5,675 gallons of a solvent-water mix has been pumped out of the ground under the western part of Raymark. In addition, shallow and deep soil testing was just completed to more carefully define the areas of solvent contamination. This information will help in the design of the final system to extract the solvent.

Who to Contact With a Question or Problem?

EPA is working closely with the Stratford Health Department. To receive these bulletins, please give us your name and address. Questions or problems should be brought to our attention -- Health Department 385-4090, or EPA Hotline 380-6034.