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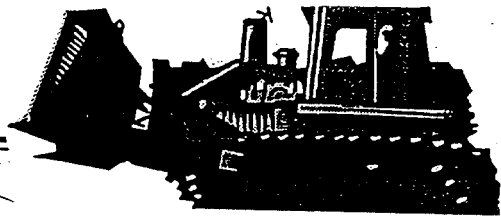

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Air Testing Results: During the periods March 11th - March 15th and March 18th - March 21st, the continuous air sampling results for total suspended particulates (TSP), or dust, revealed that the action level was exceeded in 14 out of 72 samples collected. These 14 instances were predominantly found to occur at those sampling stations (#1, 2, and 8) located along East Main Street.

An evaluation of site and weather conditions during these 14 instances suggest that the sources of this dust are associated with the recent increase in heavy truck traffic moving clean soil onto the Raymark property and the dry, sandy road conditions found along the property boundary. Evidence that the dust is not contaminated is supported by sampling results during these same time periods for lead, asbestos and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). NO detectable levels of any of these contaminants were found in any of the eight sampling stations located on the property. [Refer to the attached map for the location of sample stations #1-8.]

While the levels of dust found to date can aggravate existing respiratory conditions such as asthma in some people, these dust conditions are typical of most heavy construction type projects.

EPA is continually adjusting our techniques to minimize dust generation and the tracking of soils off the Raymark property. For example, EPA has increased the frequency of wetting the high use roadways, both on-site and off-site. In addition, EPA will be increasing the frequency of street-sweeping along East Main Street and Barnum Avenue Cut-off.

The health agencies continue to evaluate and review all air monitoring results which are also available at the town library. This will include evaluating additional dust data to ensure that the measures noted above are helping to better control the quantity of dust being generated by the increase in site-related activities.

Who to Contact With a Question or Problem? Questions/problems should be brought to our attention through the Town Health Department (385-4090) or EPA's Hotline (380-6034).

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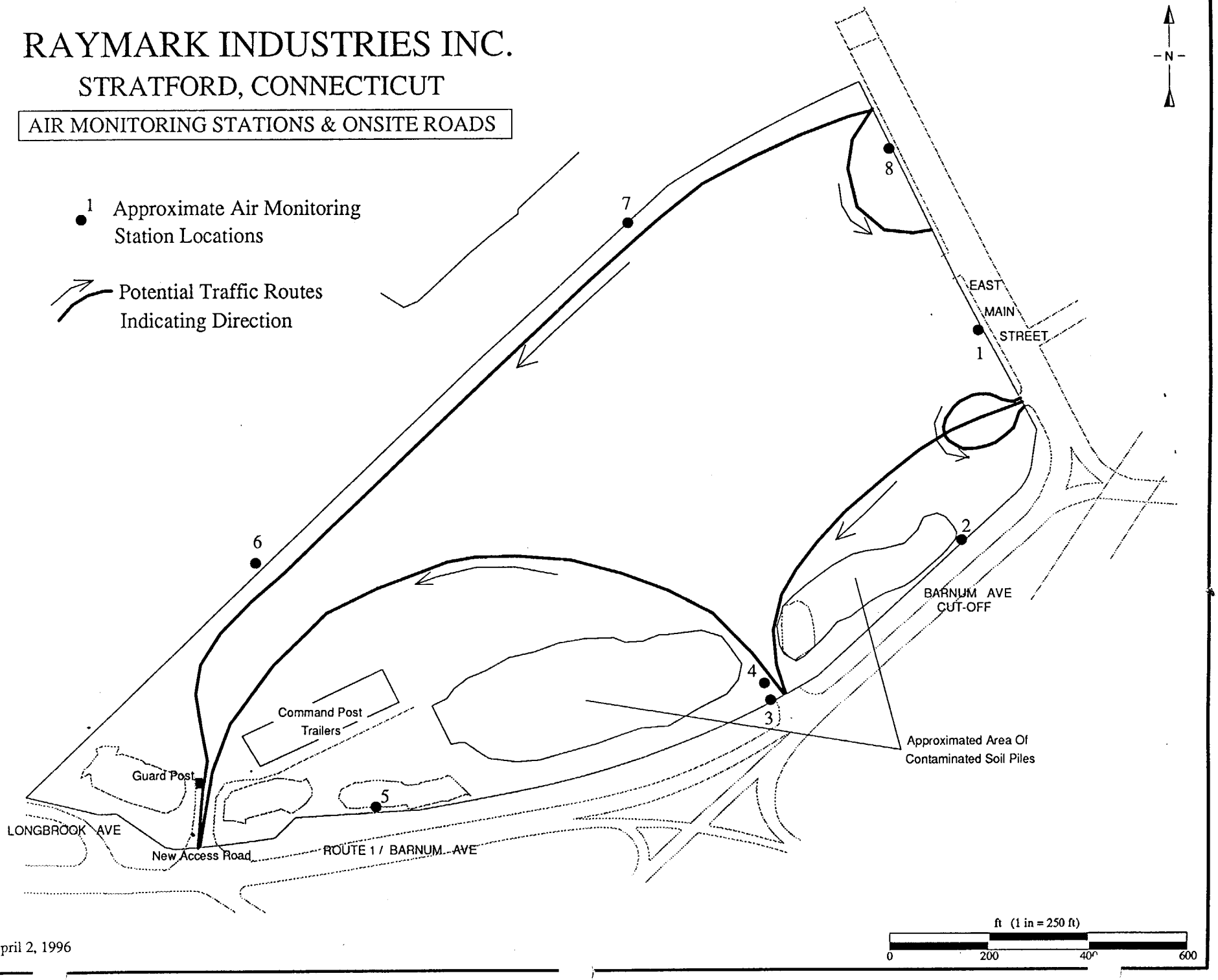
AIR MONITORING STATIONS & ONSITE ROADS



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