

FACT SHEET



**57TH and North Broadway Site
Wichita, Kansas**

April 1999

April Update

Introduction

The 57th and North Broadway Superfund site Community Advisory Group (CAG) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 7 are meeting on the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 1, 1999, at the Wichita-Sedgwick County Health Department, in the library. The Wichita-Sedgwick County Health Department is located at 1900 E. Ninth Street, Wichita, Kansas. This meeting is open to the public.

Site Update -- Riverview Area

The Wichita-Sedgwick County Health Department recently took water samples in the Riverview area. The purpose of the sampling effort was to determine if there is any additional vinyl chloride contamination in the area's ground water. The sample results indicated some low levels of vinyl chloride contamination. Based on this information, EPA will do some additional sampling. EPA's sampling will help to further define the vinyl chloride plume. The sampling is scheduled to begin the week of March 22. Five homes in the Riverview area have been selected. Water will be taken from the tap in these homes, sampled and analyzed. Geoprobe sampling will also be done on the industrial property northwest of the Riverview area in the main portion of the site.

A magnetometer survey will be done on the Midland Refinery property. This survey will help determine if some type of underground tank is buried on the property. The sampling and survey results should be available later this spring.

The bidding process will soon start for the Remedial Design at the Riverview Operable Unit. The process should be completed within the next few weeks.

Health Information

The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), the Association of Occupational and Environmental Clinics (AOEC), and a local physician with the University of Kansas School of Medicine-Wichita are putting together information for the local health community. ATSDR, AOEC, and the University of Kansas School of Medicine-Wichita will create and provide information to practitioners caring for patients with environmental health

concerns. This information will be shared with health care providers at the annual family medicine update.

The annual family medicine update is sponsored by the University of Kansas School of Medicine-Wichita. It will be held on Friday, April 16, 1999. ATSDR, AOEC, the University of Kansas School of Medicine-Wichita, and the Wichita-Sedgwick County Department of Health will staff a booth at the event. The booth will feature services and resources offered by the health care agencies as well as handout materials. The display and handout materials will be general in nature. Special materials tailored to the environmental exposures and concerns in Sedgwick County will be developed. ATSDR will provide an updated fact sheet specific to the site and all appropriate Case Studies in Environmental Medicine. The fact sheet will be available at the booth and in the community.

(CAG) Notes

The site's Citizens' Advisory Group's March 4, 1999 meeting notes are attached for your information. Please contact the CAG Chairwoman, Beth White, 316-838-6639, if you have questions about the CAG.

Additional Information

If you know someone who is interested in receiving these monthly updates, but is not currently receiving them, please contact us so we can add him or her to the mailing list. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact:

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