

Meeting Notes:

Technical Guidance Committee Meeting: Off-Site Source Investigation

Date: Tuesday, October 2nd, 2012 – 6th fl. Medium conference room at 1:30 PM

Attendees:

1. Gwen Zervas (Committee Chair)
2. George Nicholas (Oversight Rep)
3. Amy DaSilva
4. Bill Lindner
5. Christina Page
6. Steve Posten
7. Vamsee Veera
8. Ron Poustchi
9. Michelle Barbaro
10. Chris Pittarese
11. Marc Policastro

Issues/Discussions

- Group discussed what info might be available in a literature search which could be used to help with the guidance document content.
- It was suggested (S. Posten) that some of the same technical considerations involved in the evaluation of Off-site Source Investigation may be involved in the assessment of Co-mingled plumes. Christine Page is a Committee Member of both Committees and agreed to monitor the progress of both Committees to identify areas of overlap and to help avoid any duplication of effort.
- A question was raised (B. Lindner) regarding whether we really need to provide anything more detailed than the old DEP Tech reg requirements, which identified what data or information was needed to document impact from an off-site source.
- B. Lindner suggested that guidance may be needed to address a problem he has encountered regarding homeowner heating oil tanks that are right next to a neighbor's tank (that may also be leaking). Guidance on how to decide when one homeowner's obligation to clean-up is completed and how to handle it both technically (support decisions) and Administratively (what is the procedure) would give LSRPs some comfort.
- It was discussed that many States have guidance documents that could provide information pertinent to the focus area of the Committee. Gwen will assign each

Committee member a list of States; each Committee member is to research what guidance may exist in each State that is assigned to them. If guidance is available, the Committee members will review the guidance and write a summary to present to the rest of the Committee. In addition, the Committee members should submit any other sources of information that the Committee members may find (e.g., EPA, ITRC, ASTM, USGS etc.) to Gwen. Gwen will review and compile the references and assign each Committee Member a few of the references to review and provide a summary for the group to discuss. Summaries will be discussed at the next few meetings in an attempt to identify useful information that could help the Committee develop scope and content for the Off-site Source Investigation Technical Guidance document.

- Some terms to use when looking for guidance documents are: off-site source, remedial investigation, co-mingled plumes, contaminant migration, underground storage tanks, and background investigations.
- Next meeting will be held October 16, 2012 at 1:30 PM; Room 6E-005.
- Meeting ended at 2:45.