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Questions and Answers Graves Oil and Butane RFP

Q: Is this RFP requesting a dig and haul approach to remediating the site?

A: The Department anticipates that soil removal and disposal will be a major component of the remediation strategy.

Q: The RFP describes the property as an abandoned petroleum bulk plant with some active businesses adjacent to the site. Is it a fair assumption that the site is not occupied at present and will remain unoccupied through the remedial activities?

A: The Graves bulk plant has been closed. An office in the eastern edge of the site is in use by the current property owner and there are other active businesses bordering the Graves property. These buildings will not be subject to remedial activities by this project.

Q: Should removal of the tank farm and butane tanks at the site be part of the RFP response?

A: No. Removal of any surface obstructions – should it be necessary - will be handled at the workplan level.

Q: If the tank farm is demolished, will the tank farm require replacement to current standards?

A: No replacement of the tank farm is anticipated.

Q: Can treated soils be disposed on site?

A: Treatment and disposal of contaminated soils onsite will not be allowed under this contract.

Q: Is there a certain time frame under which the selected contractor must complete the selected remedial strategy?

A: To avoid interfering with activities at a nearby school, the Department will not allow remedial activities at the site to commence prior to May 19, 2005.

Q: Under the scope of work section of the RFP, it states that “performance-based criteria are required in proposals for all remediation activities.” Does this mean that payment will be made only if the proposed remedial strategy is successful or meets a specific cleanup goal?

A: The successful bidder will generate workplans for remedial activities to be undertaken at the site. Payment under these workplans will be based on successful completion of the proposed remedial activities, not on, for instance, attainment of an analytical groundwater contaminant level. The Department, as always, expects the successful bidder to complete remedial activities within approved timeframes and as outlined within approved workplan budgets.

Q: Regarding the 15-page proposal limit, does an 11"x14" sheet of paper count as 1 page?

A: Yes.