



JASCO SUPERFUND SITE

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EPA Proposes Addition of JASCO to Superfund National Priorities List

Introduction

Recently, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposed the Jasco Chemical Corporation site (JASCO) of Mountain View, California, for inclusion on the Superfund* National Priorities List (NPL). The NPL is EPA's list of the top priority hazardous waste sites in the country that are eligible for investigation and cleanup under the Superfund program.

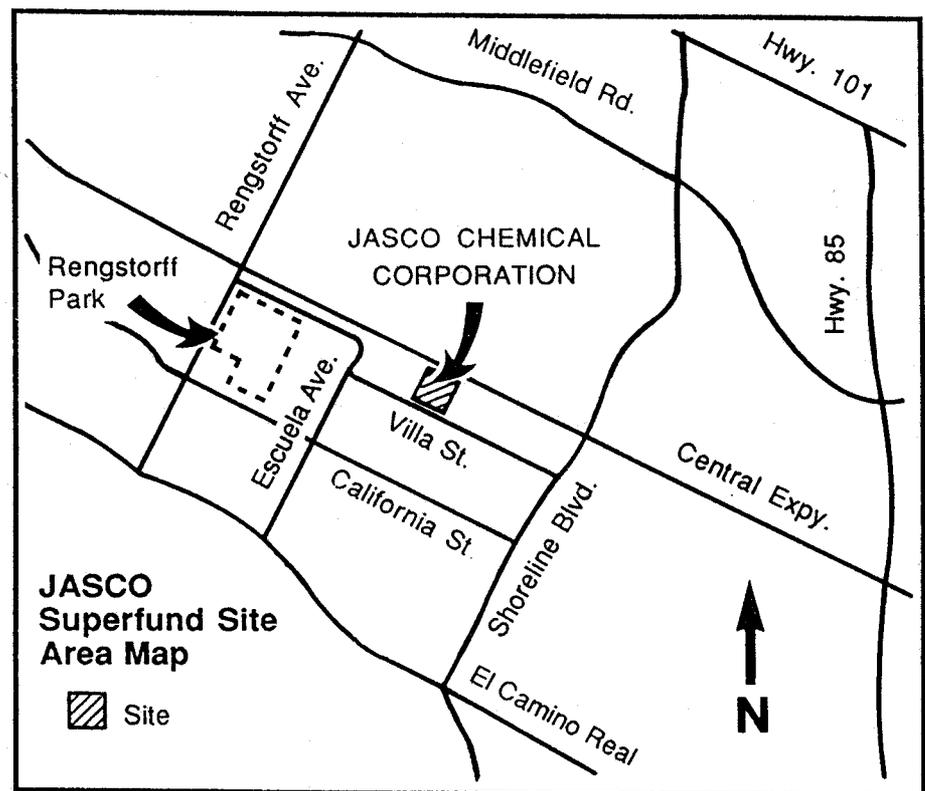
The purpose of this fact sheet is to inform you of proposed cleanup activities at the site and to explain how you can become involved. Future fact sheets will describe technical milestones in greater detail. (To get on EPA's mailing list, please see coupon on the reverse side.)

Planned Activities

Under Superfund, a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) will be conducted at the JASCO site. The Remedial Investigation (RI) will seek to identify all sources and areas of contamination as well as any public health and environmental problems. This investigation will involve data collection and analysis that will form the basis for the Feasibility

Study (FS). The FS will then develop comprehensive cleanup alternatives designed to protect public health and the environment and, whenever possible, provide permanent solutions to the contamination problems. The first step in

this process is the development of a comprehensive Work Plan to guide all activities during the RI/FS. Work has already begun on the Work Plan, which, upon completion, will be available for your review and comments.



* Superfund is a program Congress established in 1980 with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), and reauthorized by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986, to respond directly to the nation's hazardous waste problems. CERCLA established a trust fund (Superfund) to finance the investigation and cleanup of these hazardous waste sites if the responsible parties were unknown, unwilling, or incapable of resolving the environmental problem, as well as providing EPA oversight of work done by responsible parties. CERCLA also imposed criminal and civil liability for releases of hazardous substances.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

This fact sheet is part of the community relations program during site investigation and cleanup at the JASCO site. The fact sheet is being mailed to you and all residents in the immediate vicinity of the site. EPA's community relations program is designed to keep you informed about planned or ongoing activities at the site and to give you

the opportunity to provide input into the decision-making process. EPA will soon develop a Community Relations Plan (CRP), which will identify specific activities to be conducted during the investigation and cleanup. During the development of the CRP, EPA will be conducting interviews with various community members to learn about

your concerns and information needs. If you are interested in being interviewed during the CRP process, please check the box on the coupon below. Due to time constraints and the number of people expected to respond, EPA will not be able to interview all respondents.

SITE BACKGROUND

JASCO has formulated chemical products on a 2.05-acre site located at 1710 Villa Street, Mountain View, California, since 1976. It is bordered on the northeast by the Southern Pacific Railroad tracks and the Central Expressway and, on the remaining sides, by residential units. In 1983, a private citizen complained that the facility was dumping sol-

vents at the rear of the site on a daily basis. The California Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) requested JASCO to install a monitoring well at the site to determine if the groundwater had been contaminated. Samples from the site were analyzed by JASCO's contractor and showed high levels of soil and groundwater contamination with

methylene chloride. Since then JASCO has been working with the Regional Board to determine the full extent of contamination and to prevent contaminant migration from the site. All work previously completed by JASCO and the Regional Board will be incorporated, as appropriate, into the RI/FS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you have questions or need more information, please contact:

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For more information, you may call and leave a message on EPA's Toll Free Information Line at (800) 231-3075. In addition, written comments may be submitted to Rob Saunders.

MAILING LIST

If you would like to be included on the permanent mailing list for the JASCO Superfund Site, please fill out and return this coupon to Helen King Burke, U.S. EPA, 215 Fremont Street, San Francisco, CA 94105.

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YES, I would like to be considered for being interviewed during the development process of the Community Relations Plan.