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REFERENCE #5 3012 Container
SITE NAME J J Schultz
SITE ID ILD096778547

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY MEMORANDUM

TO: US EPA DATE: 6-19-84

FROM: Rick Peterson ☒ Information only

SUBJECT: ILD 096 778547 - J.J. Schultz Container ☐ Response requested

J.J. Schultz is a small drum cleaner and transfer point. Prior to June, 1980, alledgedly empty drums were received, washed out, and sold to larger drum recyclers. A gully ran from behind the wash building for about 40 feet and ended at a 5'x5'x5' pit. The pit was for the wash water.

Schultz received a notice of violation from the Chicago Metropolitan Sanitary District (MSD), dated June 17, 1980, alledging discharge of effluent with excessive concentrations of fats, oils, or greases, chromium, iron, nickel, lead, and zinc. MSD injected fluorescein dye into the pit to try to trace the flow of the waste water but failed to trace the stream to any surface waterway. MSD suggested the flow could be entering the groundwater table and/or a subsurface stream.

According to IEPA files, Petrochem had been hired to do clean up work at the site. An Agency Memo dated 12-5-80 indicated some clean up activity had taken place but that some waste drums still remained on site. Two follow-up inspections, dated 1-28-81 and 6-4-81, indicated little change

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in site condition. There is no information in Agency files about the site after the June inspection.

Based on the above information, I feel this site rates a medium priority for inspection. Although the file indicated some clean up of the site had occurred, there is no detail of the extent or verification of the clean up activity. It would appear this site requires a sampling program to help determine the extent of contamination from past drum washing operations.

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