COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PLAN

USS Lead Superfund Site

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prepared this Community Involvement Plan (CIP) for the U.S. Smelter and Lead Refinery, Inc. (USS Lead) site in East Chicago, Indiana. EPA's Community Involvement Program is committed to promoting communication between citizens and the Agency. Active community involvement is crucial to the success of any public project.

The CIP:

- Assists the public in understanding the decision-making process during project design and cleanup and the community's role in that process.
- Provides the public with accessible, accurate, timely and understandable information about the project as it moves forward
- Ensures adequate time and opportunity for the public to provide informed and meaningful input and for that input to be considered
- Respects and fully considers public input throughout the process as the project moves forward.

EPA used several information sources to develop this plan, including community interviews conducted in June 2010 with local residents, local officials, other parties interested in activities at the USS Lead site in East Chicago, Indiana and site files. In addition to this introduction, the CIP contains the following sections:

- **Section 2.0, What is Superfund** – This section discusses the Superfund program.
- **Section 3.0, Site Background** – This section provides an overview of the site's history and operations, as well as site investigations and cleanup work.
- **Section 4.0, Community Background** – This section provides a profile of the population of East Chicago, Indiana and describes the history of community involvement in the site cleanup.
- **Section 5.0, Community Concerns** – This section summarizes community concerns discussed during the June 2010 community interviews.
- **Section 6.0, Community Involvement Goals and Activities** – This section describes site-specific objectives developed in response to identified community concerns and activities to be conducted to accomplish these objectives.

Appendix A of the CIP lists the location of the information repository, administrative record, website, and possible meeting locations; Appendix B provides contact information for EPA project contacts, elected officials and the media; and Appendix C provides a list of questions asked during the community interviews.

This draft CIP is being released to the public by EPA for review and comment. If you are interested in submitting comments or have questions about this draft CIP, please contact:

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For more information on the USS Lead site, visit www.epa.gov/region5/sites/usslead or request information by contacting EPA's community involvement coordinator, Janet Pope (see contact information above).

2.0 WHAT IS SUPERFUND?

Superfund is the Federal environmental cleanup program legally known as the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, or CERCLA, which was enacted in 1980. In 1986, the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) reauthorized CERCLA to continue cleanup activities around the country. Through CERCLA, EPA was given authority to compel people or companies responsible for creating hazardous waste sites to clean them up or reimburse the government for EPA-lead cleanups. Through various enforcement tools, EPA obtains private party cleanup through orders, consent decrees, and other small party settlements. EPA may also recover costs from financially viable individuals and companies once a cleanup action has been completed. EPA is authorized to implement CERCLA in all 50 states and U.S. territories. Superfund site identification, monitoring, and response activities in states are coordinated through the state environmental protection or waste management agencies. The Superfund program encourages active dialogue between communities affected by the release of hazardous substances and the agencies responsible for carrying out or overseeing cleanup actions.

There are several steps involved in cleaning up a polluted site and EPA follows a step-by-step process to determine the best way to clean up the site and protect human health and the environment. EPA considers community involvement to be an important part of the Superfund program and opportunities for community involvement occur throughout the process. Figure 1 on the next page outlines the steps in the Superfund process and highlights opportunities for community involvement at each step of the process.

Visit EPA's website for more information on the Superfund process.

Superfund: www.epa.gov/superfund/index.htm

Cleanup Process: www.epa.gov/superfund/cleanup/index.htm

Community Involvement: www.epa.gov/superfund/community/index.htm

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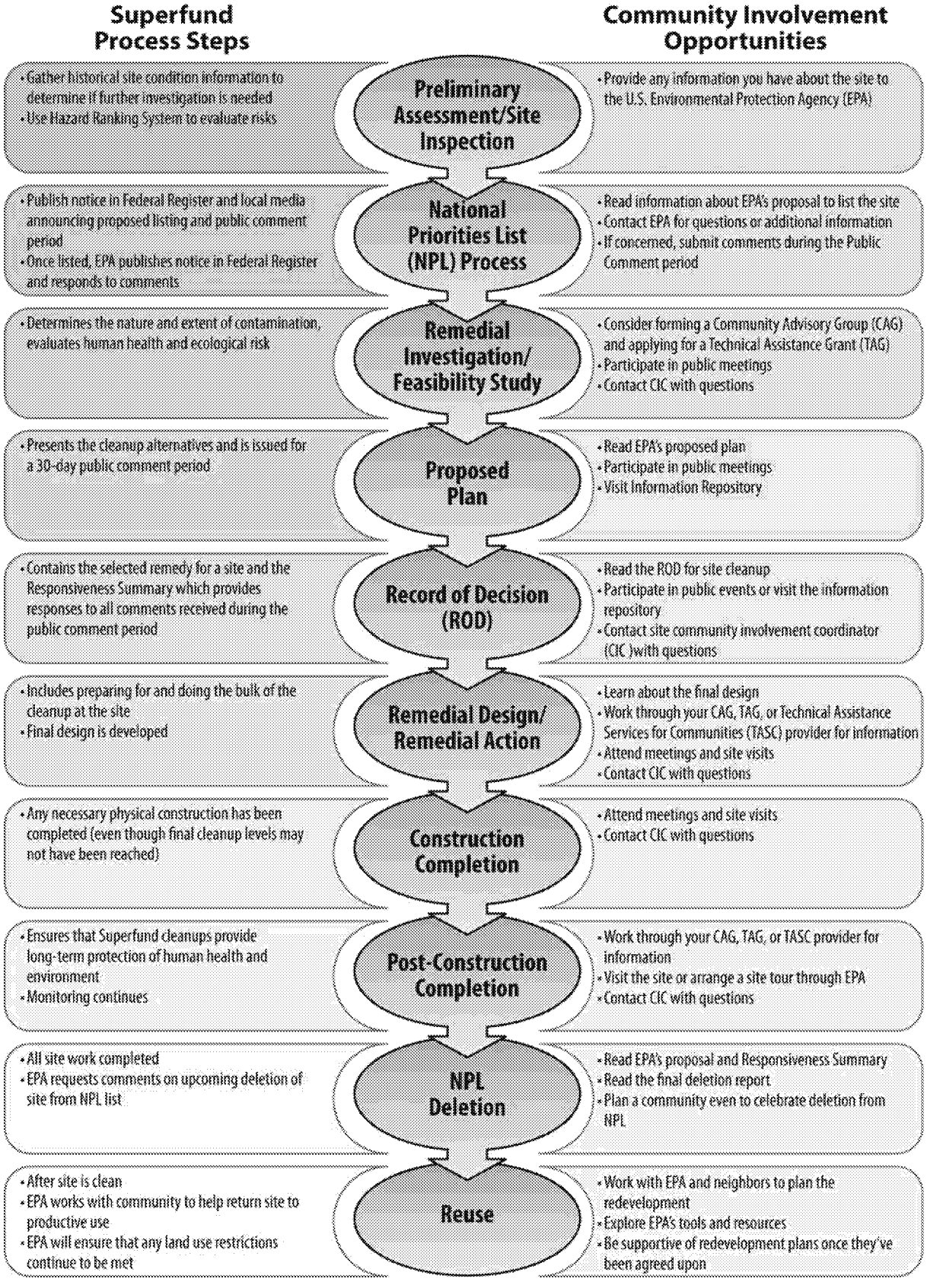

Figure 1 shows community involvement opportunities at each step of the Superfund process.

3.0 SITE BACKGROUND

The USS Lead site lies on a 79-acre area of land in East Chicago, Indiana. From 1906 to 1920, the Delamar Copper Refinery operated at the facility as a copper smelter. In 1920, the property was purchased by U.S. Smelting Refining and Mining and the facility became a lead refinery. Between 1972 and 1973, USS Lead was converted to a secondary lead smelter, recovering lead from scrap metal and old automobile batteries. Two primary waste materials were generated as a result of the smelting operations – blast-furnace slag and lead-containing dust emitted by the blast furnace stack. Blast-furnace slag was stockpiled south of the plant building and spread once a year over an adjoining 21-acre wetland. The lead-containing dust was originally trapped in bag filters. Lead particles have been found downwind of the plant, however, which suggests that all of the lead-containing dust was not contained by the bag filters. In the 1980s, several state and federal enforcement actions were taken against the company. In September 1985, Indiana State Board of Health found USS Lead in violation of state law because lead particles were found downwind of the plant.

In addition to the USS Lead facility, there are several other potential sources of lead contamination in the residential area, including the former Anaconda Copper Company (Anaconda) site; and E.I. DuPont de Nemours Company (DuPont). Anaconda occupied the area along the Indiana Harbor Canal where the Gosch Elementary School and the public housing residential complex immediately south of the school are currently located (the southwest portion of the Residential Area). The Gosch Elementary School and the East Chicago Public Housing complex were built on the Anaconda site after 1959. The Anaconda site included the subsidiary operations Anaconda Lead Products, a manufacturer of white lead and zinc oxide, and the International Lead Refining Company, a metal refining facility. These operations consisted of a pulverizing mill, white lead storage areas, a chemical laboratory, a machine shop, a zinc oxide experimental unit building and plant, a silver refinery, a lead refinery, a baghouse, and other miscellaneous buildings and processing areas. DuPont was located south of the USS Lead site and east of the former USS Lead facility. DuPont historically manufactured the pesticide lead arsenate at this location.

The residential area north of the plant includes about 1,000 homes, a few parks, schools and public buildings, and has been sampled several times by different entities. The residential area itself has been sampled many times by different groups – EPA in 1985, Entact in 1999, EPA/IDEM in 2002, EPA in 2003 and 2006. In 2003, EPA sampled soil in the residential area north of USS Lead as part of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) corrective action investigation. Results from the testing showed high levels of lead contamination in some residential yards. In 2004, EPA's RCRA corrective action program referred USS Lead to the federal Superfund program for cleanup of the residential yards and wetland portions of the facility.

In April 2006, EPA Superfund program re-sampled the residential yards at 14 properties. The analysis of those samples confirmed that the yards for at least 12 homes had lead contamination levels above 1,200 parts per million, which is the regulatory level used in the evaluation of residential yards with lead contamination. In 2008, the Superfund removal program removed soil from 13 of the 14 yards with elevated lead levels.

In December 2009, EPA collected soil samples in the first of two phases from 110 yards, four parks, and one school in an area between East Chicago Avenue and 151st Street, and between the Indiana Harbor Canal and Parrish Avenue. In the first phase, sampling in the residential area was done on a widely-spaced sampling grid to determine the lateral and vertical extent of lead-contaminated soil at residences, schools, parks, vacant lots and other areas where children may come into contact with contaminated soil. The samples were analyzed in the field with a field screening device that can detect metal concentration. Letters which included the sampling results were sent to the homeowners.

During the Spring and Summer of 2010, EPA conducted a second phase of investigation to further assess areas where sensitive populations (children, seniors and those who have weakened immune systems) may be exposed and to address spatial data gaps. Samples were collected from baseball diamonds, the walking path west of Carrie Gosch Elementary School, Kennedy Gardens Park, the grounds of St. Joseph's Carmelite Home for Girls, and several additional residences. A remedial investigation report is currently being prepared and a feasibility study is being conducted to determine the most appropriate way to address the contaminated soils. These reports will be available for public comment as they are released at the local Information Repository and Administrative Records (see Appendix A for more information).

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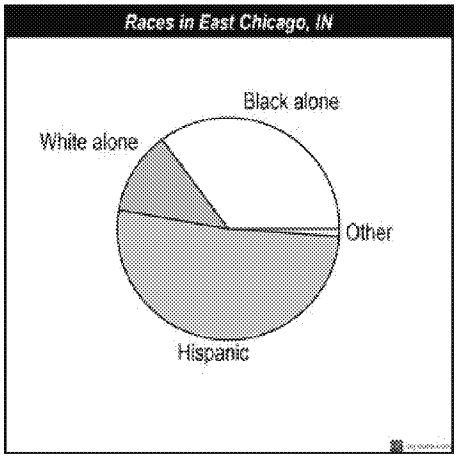
Figure 2 shows the boundaries of the USS Lead site in East Chicago, Indiana.

4.0 COMMUNITY BACKGROUND

This section describes the composition of the city of East Chicago, Indiana communities, the history of community involvement with the site, and major community concerns in East Chicago regarding the site.



4.1 COMMUNITY PROFILE

According to the City-Data.com website, as of July 2009, the population of East Chicago is 29,900. The racial makeup of the city is approximately 51 percent Hispanic, 36 percent Black or African American, 12 percent White Non-Hispanic, 1 percent American Indian, with 3 percent of the population reporting two or more races.

The city of East Chicago is located in Lake County of northwest Indiana, approximately 20 miles southeast of Chicago, Illinois. It encompasses an area of 12 square miles. The nearest Indiana city (approximately 2 miles away) with a population of 83,048 is Hammond, Ind.

The USS Lead site area in East Chicago encompasses three neighborhoods including public housing, and the West Calumet and East Calumet areas. As there is a large Hispanic population, Spanish translation services for meetings and documents are needed to support transparent communication with this community.

East Chicago, nicknamed the *Twin City*, was incorporated in 1893 as a steel and railroad town. During the Industrial Revolution, the city was known as the most industrialized municipality due to its abundance of industrial factories. During World War I, East Chicago was known as the "Arsenal of America."

East Chicago is governed by a mayor, who is elected every four years and a city council, whose members are elected every two years. The city is assisted by a city clerk, township assessor, and township trustee. East Chicago has a health department which has been kept informed of activities at the site. The East Chicago Redevelopment Authority is also active in the community.

The main daily newspapers in the area are *The Northwest Indiana Times* (formerly *The Hammond Times)* and *The Post Tribune*. The main television stations include WLS-TV, WMAQ-TV, WTTW, WFLD, WGN-TV, and WBBM-TV. The local cable channel, E.C. TV provides local coverage. Multiple AM and FM radio stations from the Chicagoland area service the East Chicago area. A list of local media sources are listed in Appendix B.

4.1.1 Environmental Justice

The Environmental Justice Act of 1992 obligates federal agencies to make environmental justice part of its overall mission by "identifying and addressing, as appropriate, disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects of its programs, policies, and activities on minority populations and low-income populations." Following this order, the Office of Environmental Equity within EPA became the Office of Environmental Justice. EPA's Office of Environmental Justice ensures that all people, regardless of race, color, national origin, or income, enjoy the same degree of protection from environmental and health hazards and equal access to the decision-making process for a healthy living, learning, and work environment. Ensuring environmental justice means not only protecting human health and the environment for everyone, but also ensuring that all people are treated fairly and are given the opportunity to participate meaningfully in the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies. EPA considers East Chicago an environmental justice community, which means it is a community that historically is an under-represented minority and low-income area burdened with significant environmental challenges.

When making decisions about a cleanup and planning its community involvement initiative for a community, EPA must take environmental justice issues into account. As part of this effort, EPA is working to improve collaboration between federal agencies and communities, and addressing environmental challenges in more effective, efficient, and sustainable ways.

4.2 PAST COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT EFFORTS

Informational meetings were held in March 2006, December 2007 and December 2009 to explain the residential sampling activities in the area and to give residents an opportunity to ask questions about the site. EPA has issued several fact sheets to update the public on site cleanup efforts and to provide information on how to protect people from lead contamination. These fact sheets were issued in March 2006, October 2007, December 2007, and December 2009. These fact sheets and other site-related information can be accessed on the website, www.epa.gov/region5/sites/usslead.

EPA conducted interviews with local residents and other interested parties in June 2010. EPA representatives attended Calumet Day, a local neighborhood gathering, in July 2010.

An information repository has been established for the site at the East Chicago Public Library, located at 2401 E. Columbus Drive in East Chicago. The repository contains site-related documents such as technical reports, sampling results, general information about EPA and the Superfund program, and other information.

The community interviews conducted in June 2010 represents EPA's continuing efforts to engage the community. More information on the interviews can be found in Section 5.

5.0 COMMUNITY CONCERNS

During June 2010, EPA conducted in-person interviews with 25 East Chicago residents and other interested parties to identify their questions, concerns, and information needs regarding the USS Lead site. A Spanish translator participated in the interviews for those residents who were more comfortable talking in Spanish. The key concerns and questions raised during the community interviews are summarized below. The interviews were conducted in a discussion format and each interviewee was asked approximately16 questions from a list.

Note to readers: This summary is intended to faithfully record and reflect the issues and concerns expressed to EPA by residents, officials and others interviewed during the community interviews. Please be cautioned that the statements contained in this section may, or may not, be applicable.

5.1 SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY INTERVIEWS

All but one of the 25 interviewees have been longtime residents and neighbors of the site. The majority of people said that they knew little or nothing about the site though some said that they heard there could be lead contamination from the site and a few people either had samples taken at their property or knew of someone who had samples taken. Overall, there does not seem to be a high level of concern from the community about the USS Lead site though many of the residents interviewed expressed concerns about other issues in their area such as drugs and gang problems. Some residents said there concern was not with USS Lead, but with DuPont, which they believe has caused flooding problems in the area and wondered if the lead could leach into the standing water.

A few residents commented that there was a lot of garbage and waste around the public housing area and people attributed the problems to prior industrial activity in the area.

5.2 POTENTIAL HEALTH RISKS POSED BY THE SITE

Some people did not have any concerns about the site and said that having the industry nearby was just a fact of living in the area and no one really paid attention. Other residents did express concerns about the children in the area being exposed to lead and some asked if exposure to the lead could have caused cancer or birth defects in some of the children. Concern was also expressed from residents that garden and they wondered if the vegetables would be contaminated with lead.

5.3 COMMUNICATION WITH LOCAL RESIDENTS AND OFFICIALS

All of the people interviewed want to receive information by regular mail. About half of the people asked to be kept informed about the site through e-mail, whereas the other half did not have email or access to the internet at their home. The people interviewed were mixed in their response about the timing for future meetings. Many of the residents said that at least two meetings should be held – one in the day and one in the early evening in order to provide accessibility to the community. Many negative comments were received about the look of past communications. Those interviewed said that the information looks like "junk mail" and they throw it out. People did remember the yellow postcard announcing the interviews because it stood out.

During the interviews it was noted several times that people would not know to look for information about the site under the name USS Lead. It was suggested that the site name reference East Chicago, as it would be more recognizable to area residents.

6.0 COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT GOALS AND ACTIVITIES

When establishing the objectives for a site-specific community involvement program, EPA considers several factors, including federal requirements that assess the nature and extent of known or perceived site contaminants and known community concerns and requests.

To be effective, the community involvement program must be designed to meet the community's need to know, give information in a timely manner, accommodate the community's interest and willingness to participate in decision-making processes and use a language(s) the public can understand.

To meet the needs of the community and to respond to information obtained during the June 2010 community interviews and meet federal requirements, the following objectives have been established for community involvement efforts:

- Enlist the support and involvement of local officials and community leaders
- Monitor citizen interest in the site and respond accordingly
- Keep the community well informed of ongoing and planned site activities
- Provide follow-up explanations about technical site activities and findings
- Provide health information updates about the effects of lead and ways to prevent lead poisoning, especially as it relates to children
- Provide opportunities for public input on key decisions
- Establish a website that provides updates
- Provide information in English and Spanish
- Hold meetings in different areas within the community and at different times of the day to give all residents an opportunity to attend

EPA has implemented, or will implement, the activities described below to meaningfully and actively engage the East Chicago community in decisions regarding the cleanup of the USS Lead site. The following plan is intended to provide opportunities for communication between the community and EPA, and address key concerns and questions raised during the community interviews conducted in June 2010.

6.1 SPECIFIC COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES

To address community concerns and questions described in Section 5.0, EPA has conducted (or will conduct) the activities described below. Through these activities, it is EPA's goal to inform, involve and engage the community during site cleanup decisions and efforts.

Maintain Point of Contact. EPA has designated a community involvement coordinator (CIC) as a point of contact. The CIC serves as a liaison between the community and EPA. The current CIC is Janet Pope, who can be reached at 312-353-0628; 800- 621-8431, ext. 30628 or via email at pope.janet@epa.gov. In addition to the CIC, there is a technical point of contact. The remedial project manager is Michael Berkoff, who can be reached at 312-353-8983; 800- 621-8431, ext. 38983 or via email at berkoff.michael@epa.gov.

EPA will include contact information on all written and electronic information and will notify the community of any contact information changes.

Establish a Toll-Free Number For Residents To Ask Questions And Receive Information. Both Ms. Pope and Mr. Berkoff can be reached at 800-621-8431, weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Residents can call this number as questions or concerns arise, rather than waiting for a public meeting or to receive written information. EPA publishes this toll-free number periodically in the local newspapers and in all fact sheets or other EPA communications.

Maintain Communication with Local Officials, Agencies, and Community Residents. EPA interviewed a local official from the East Chicago Redevelopment Authority in the June 2010 community interviews.

EPA will continue to maintain communication with them as the site is studied. This will be done via phone or email.

Update and Maintain the Site Mailing List. A mailing list of local residents, organizations, businesses, and officials has been established for the site. This list is used for mailing fact sheets, site updates, invitations to public meetings and events and other site-related information to the community. The list will be updated regularly to reflect address changes and changes in elected officials and to add new people interested in site activities. EPA will also establish an email list and provide regular updates as appropriate.

EPA uses the site mailing list to distribute written information such as fact sheets and meeting notifications. This is a way to ensure that those that do not have access to the Internet or other

information sources still have a way to receive information directly about the site. If a community member is interested in being placed on either mailing list they can contact the current CIC, Janet Pope at 312-353-0628; 800- 621-8431, ext. 30628 or via email at pope.janet@epa.gov.

Prepare and Distribute Fact Sheets and Site Updates: Fact sheets, letters, and site updates summarizing current information about the site and describing upcoming activities may be prepared and distributed to those on the site mailing and email lists. These documents are written in non-technical language and typically done to coincide with site milestones. The documents are also prepared in Spanish. Based upon community feedback, documents should be more eye-catching and appealing so the information is not mistaken for junk mail and thrown out.

EPA uses these types of documents to provide the community with detailed information in a relatively quick, simple and easy-to-understand manner. In addition to being distributed to individuals on the site mailing lists, fact sheets and site updates are also placed in the information repository and posted on the website: www.epa.gov/region5/sites/usslead.

Establish and Maintain a Site-Specific Information Repository. EPA has set up an information repository at the East Chicago Public Library, located at 2401 E. Columbus Drive in East Chicago. The repository is a reference collection of site information available to the public for reading and photocopying. Documents include fact sheets, technical reports, the CIP, general Superfund information and other documents. EPA adds new documents about the site as they become available.

Information repositories provide residents with local access to site information in forms that can be easily read and photocopied for future use.

Establish and Maintain the Administrative Record. The Administrative Record for the USS Lead site can be found at the East Chicago Public Library. EPA will update the Administrative Record as necessary.

The Administrative Record provides residents with a paper trail of all documents EPA relied on, or considered, to reach decisions about the site cleanup.

Conduct Public Meetings and Information Sessions: Public meetings and information sessions are typically held to communicate information and to solicit questions and input from the community. The purpose of the meeting should dictate the forum and the frequency. The achievement of certain project milestones or discovery of new information may warrant a more formal public meeting with presentations of technical information by EPA personnel. During

ongoing site work, information sessions may be needed to keep the community informed of site progress, answer resident questions about ongoing work, and obtain information about the resident perceptions and concerns.

EPA held informational meetings in December 2007 and December 2009 to present site-specific information and solicit community input.

EPA will consider conducting meetings at different times and different locations throughout the community to give all residents an opportunity to attend as needed. EPA will also provide a Spanish translator at meetings to enhance communication with the Hispanic community.

All meetings will be advertised in a local newspaper, such as the *Northwest Indiana Times* and *Post Tribune* at least 1 week prior to the meeting.

Develop and Distribute News Releases: EPA has prepared and released announcements to local newspapers such as the *Northwest Indiana Times*, *Viva* (Hispanic publication) and *Post Tribune* to provide information about events such as significant site investigation findings, completion of major milestones, significant scheduling information, and other pertinent site-related information.

News releases allow EPA to reach large audiences quickly. They are posted on EPA's website, www.epa.gov/region5/sites/usslead. EPA typically publishes news releases and public notices to announce major events such as comment periods, public meetings, and major milestones such as the selection of a cleanup plan.

EPA will continue to issue news releases and public notices in both English and Spanish as site activities progress. Copies of the news releases and public notices are also available in the Information Repository.

Solicit Community Input During Public Comment Periods. EPA holds public comment periods to give community members an opportunity to review and comment on key decisions. Before EPA selects a final cleanup plan for the USS Lead site, the Agency will hold a public comment period to allow interested residents an opportunity to review and comment on its proposed plan. EPA will consider the community's input before selecting a final cleanup plan. EPA's response to public comments will be summarized in a document called a responsiveness summary, which will be placed in the site information repository and made available on EPA's website.

Plan or Participate in Community Events. EPA attended Calumet Day in July 2010 during which the CIC met with community members to discuss the USS Lead site and answer questions.

EPA will attend additional events as opportunities arise.

Evaluate Community Involvement and Outreach Efforts and Make Adjustments as Warranted. This CIP was designed to consider site- and community-specific factors as well as to comply with federal requirements. Community concerns, the objectives of the community involvement program for the site, and specific activities to address these concerns in this CIP were based to a large extent on information obtained during June 2010 interviews with local residents and officials. EPA recognizes that changes in areas such as community perceptions, information needs, and population demographics can occur over time and that such changes may necessitate a revised approach to conducting community involvement activities. For this reason as well as to determine whether the activities in this plan are achieving their intended objectives, periodic reviews will be done to determine whether additional activities are warranted or whether changes to current methods of implementing the activities outlined in this plan are necessary.

6.2 TIMEFRAME FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES

The following table presents the general timeframe for the activities described in Section 6.1.

Community Involvement Activities	Timeframe
Maintain Point of Contact	Done
Establish a Toll-Free Number for Residents To Ask Questions and Receive Information	Done; publish on written materials
Maintain Communication with Local Officials, Agencies, and Community Residents	Ongoing as needed
Update and Maintain Site Mailing and Email Lists	Done; update as needed
Prepare and Distribute Fact Sheets and Site Updates	As needed
Establish and Maintain a Site-Specific Information Repository	Done; update as needed
Establish and Maintain the Administrative Record	Done; update as needed
Conduct Public Meetings and Information Sessions	Ongoing as needed
Develop and Distribute News Releases	Ongoing as needed
Solicit Community Input During Public Comment Periods	When proposed cleanup plan is completed
Plan or Attend Community Events.	As requested
Evaluate Community Involvement and Outreach Efforts and Make Adjustments to the CIP as Warranted	Periodically throughout the cleanup process

APPENDIX A

Information Repository, Administrative Record, Website and Public Meeting Locations

Information Repository and Administrative Record

East Chicago Public Library
2401 E. Columbus Drive
East Chicago, IN 46312
Phone: 219-397-2453

Library Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

EPA Web Page

www.epa.gov/region5/sites/usslead

Possible Meeting Locations

East Chicago Public Library
2401 East Columbus Drive
East Chicago, IN 46312
219-397-2453

Robert Pastrick Branch (East Chicago Public Library)
1008 West Chicago Avenue
East Chicago, IN 46312
219-397-5505

Carrie Gosh School
455 East 148th Street
East Chicago, IN 46312
219-3914172

Martin Luther King Community Center
4802 Melville Avenue
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219-391-8481

Roberto Clemente Center
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WIND 560 AM 25 NW Point Blvd., Suite 400 Elk Grove Village, IL 60007	847-437-5200 http://www.560wind.com/
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Radio Stations (continued)	
WPWX 92.3 FM 6336 Calumet Ave. Hammond, IN 46324	219-933-4455 http://www.power92chicago.com/
WYCA 106.3 FM 6336 Calumet Ave. Hammond, IN 46324	219-933-4455 http://soul1063radio.com/
WNUA 95.5 FM (Spanish) 233 N. Michigan Ave. Chicago, IL 60601	312-540-2000 http://www.wnua.com/
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APPENDIX C

List of Interview Questions

Community Interviews conducted June 2010

1. How long have you lived/worked in the area?
2. Do you represent or are you a member of a community organization or group?
3. What do you know about the USS Lead site?
4. How did you get information about the site?
5. What concerns, if any, do you have about the problems associated with the USS Lead site for you and your family?
6. How would you characterize the concerns of the community about the USS Lead site?
7. Who have you talked to (any local, state, or federal government agencies) about the site? What kind of response did you receive?
8. How are you currently receiving information about the site? Would you like to be on EPA's mailing list or email list?
9. How would you like to get information about the site cleanup? Fact sheets; workshops; Internet; public notices; news media; public meetings
10. Have you participated in any public meetings and/or community group meetings for the site? If so, how many?
11. Are you aware of EPA's website? Have you been on it? Is it easy to navigate?
12. What days, times, and locations would be best for public meetings?
13. What newspapers do you read?
14. Is English widely understood in this community? What other languages do people speak?
15. What other individuals might we contact for an interview?
16. Is there anything else you would like to share about the site?