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VIA EMAIL

Mr. Kirk Coulter  
**MC-127**  
Environmental Cleanup Section I, Team 3, Remediation Division  
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
P.O. Box 13087  
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

Re: DNAPL Recovery Pilot Test – Status Update February – September 2013  
Union Pacific Railroad Houston Wood Preserving Works Facility  
4910 Liberty Road Facility, Houston, Texas  
Post-Closure Care Permit No. HW-50343; Industrial SWR No. 31547

Dear Mr. Coulter:

Pastor, Behling & Wheeler, LLC (PBW), on behalf of Union Pacific Railroad Company, is providing this status update for the dense non-aqueous phase liquid (DNAPL) recovery pilot test being conducted at the Houston Wood Preserving Works Facility (the Site). The pilot test was initiated in February 2013, with a proposed duration of 24 months. This letter discusses the DNAPL recovery pilot test activities and results for February through September 2013.

As detailed in the PBW letter dated February 5, 2013, PBW proposed to conduct a 24-month DNAPL recovery pilot test at the Site. The following monitoring wells were selected to be included in the DNAPL recovery test based on the amount of DNAPL historically observed in the wells:

Well Name	Zone	Min. DNAPL Thickness (ft.)	Max DNAPL Thickness (ft.)
MW-57A	A-TZ	4.11	4.25
MW-12B	B-TZ	0.41	5.70
MW-41B	B-TZ	5.06	24.14
MW-57B	B-CZ	0.44	0.50
MW-32B	B-CZ	5.77	6.13
MW-33BR	B-CZ	0.30	0.30
MW-70B	B-CZ	1.44	1.53
MW-75B	B-CZ	1.84	1.90
MW-34C	C-TZ	7.24	7.60
MW-44C	C-TZ	0.75	7.10
MW-45C	C-TZ	0.39	1.50
MW-46C	C-TZ	0.10	1.25

Notes:  
Average depth to water values, minimum and maximum DNAPL thicknesses based on data collected between January 2011 and December 2012.

Figure 1 shows the location of the wells used in the pilot study.

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The pilot test procedures consisted of measuring the depth to groundwater surface, the depth to the groundwater/DNAPL interface, and the total depth of the well prior to DNAPL pumping. Using a peristaltic pump, DNAPL was pumped from the bottom of the well until groundwater is returned in the pump discharge. The volume of recovered DNAPL was estimated from each well, and the well was gauged to measure the total depth of the well and depth to residual DNAPL following pumping. Recovered DNAPL was temporarily stored at the 90-Day Containment Storage Area. Waste manifests for the recovered DNAPL and groundwater are provided in Attachment A.

A summary of the DNAPL recovery measurements from February through September 2013 is provided on Table 1. DNAPL thicknesses prior to each month recovery efforts over time are presented on Figure 2. Monitoring wells with the thickest DNAPL measurements included MW-12B and MW-41B on the west side of the Site (Figure 1). DNAPL thicknesses in these two wells showed an increase following the February 2013 recovery event with MW-12B (the late April measurement was noted in the field as “uncertain”, but still showed an increase in May) showing a gradual decrease through September and MW-41B showing sporadic thicknesses with an overall decrease from May through September (Figure 2). The other DNAPL wells tested showed similar responses during the first eight months. DNAPL thicknesses decreased during the first three months of pumping, and then showed an increase at the end of May 2013, with the wells generally decreasing in DNAPL thickness by September.

Of the 12 wells listed to be part of the pilot test, well MW-33BR did not have any measureable DNAPL during the first eight months, and MW-34C was not pumped because of the need for street lane closure permit through the City of Houston to access the well. The lane closure permit will be requested for the subsequent monthly events.

UPRR plans to continue the monthly DNAPL pilot test recovery efforts, and will submit the next status report following the January 2014 recovery event. Concurrently with the pilot test, PBW is assessing the recovery data for evaluating more effective DNAPL recovery efforts.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to call me at (512) 671-3434 or Mr. Geoffrey Reeder of UPRR at (281) 350-7197.

Sincerely,

PASTOR, BEHLING & WHEELER, LLC



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cc: Waste Program Manager, TCEQ Region 12, Houston  
Mr. Geoffrey Reeder, P.G., UPRR – Spring, TX

## TABLES

TABLE 1

**SUMMARY OF DNAPL RECOVERY MEASUREMENTS  
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DNAPL Recovery Date	MW-12B				MW-32B				MW-33BR				MW-34C			
	DTW (ft BTOC)	DTD (ft BTOC)	DNAPL Thickness (ft)	DNAPL Pumped (gal)	DTW (ft BTOC)	DTD (ft BTOC)	DNAPL Thickness (ft)	DNAPL Pumped (gal)	DTW (ft BTOC)	DTD (ft BTOC)	DNAPL Thickness (ft)	DNAPL Pumped (gal)	DTW (ft BTOC)	DTD (ft BTOC)	DNAPL Thickness (ft)	DNAPL Pumped (gal)
2/14/2013	9.06	39.87	5.93	2.5	6.01	30.06	6.23	2	3.72	ND	0	---	NM	NM	NM	---
4/3/2013	9.41	39.95	5.85	1	4.86	33.61	2.68	1	4.02	PoP	0	---	NM	NM	NM	---
4/22/2013	8.61	31.64	14.16	0.5*	5.62	36.08	0.21	0.25	3.63	ND	0	---	NM	NM	NM	---
5/30/2013	8.47	37.62	8.18	1.5*	5.86	32.21	4.08	2	3.59	ND	0	---	NM	NM	NM	---
6/29/2013	9.62	38.22	7.58	1.5	6.79	33.59	2.7	1.5	6.07	ND	0	---	NM	NM	NM	---
7/22/2013	11.16	39.04	6.76	1	7.14	33.91	2.38	1.5	9.68	ND	0	---	NM	NM	NM	---
8/26/2013	11.31	39.61	6.19	1	7.48	33.83	2.46	1	9.86	ND	0	---	NM	NM	NM	---
9/27/2013	11.17	40.63	5.17	1	7.23	34.39	1.9	1	9.57	ND	0	---	NM	NM	NM	---

DNAPL Recovery Date	MW-41B				MW-44C				MW-45C				MW-46C			
	DTW (ft BTOC)	DTD (ft BTOC)	DNAPL Thickness (ft)	DNAPL Pumped (gal)	DTW (ft BTOC)	DTD (ft BTOC)	DNAPL Thickness (ft)	DNAPL Pumped (gal)	DTW (ft BTOC)	DTD (ft BTOC)	DNAPL Thickness (ft)	DNAPL Pumped (gal)	DTW (ft BTOC)	DTD (ft BTOC)	DNAPL Thickness (ft)	DNAPL Pumped (gal)
2/14/2013	8.91	41.1	3.71	3	18.96	62.95	7.85	1	21.26	69.9	0.7	0.25	21.07	71.3	1.6	0.25
4/3/2013	9.37	41.6	3.21	1.5	19.34	70.47	0.33	0.25*	21.39	70.39	0.21	0.25*	20.61	72.36	0.54	0.25*
4/22/2013	8.62	41.6	3.21	0.5*	18.62	70.64	0.16	0.25*	21.03	70.47	0.13	0.25*	20.61	72.61	0.29	0.25*
5/30/2013	8.73	34.16	10.65	2	18.43	70.01	0.79	0.25*	21.16	70.25	0.35	0.25*	20.59	71.61	1.29	0.25*
6/29/2013	9.72	37.12	7.69	2	19.34	70.32	0.48	0.25	21.93	70.32	0.28	0.25*	21.09	72.34	0.56	0.25*
7/22/2013	10.31	39.29	5.52	1.5	20.36	70.26	0.54	0.25	22.72	70.39	0.21	0.25*	21.96	72.16	0.74	0.25*
8/26/2013	10.09	34.55	10.26	2.5	20.62	70.39	0.41	0.25	22.86	70.31	0.29	0.25	22.23	72.32	0.58	0.25
9/27/2013	9.63	37.29	7.52	2	20.39	70.61	0.19	0.25	22.66	70.17	0.43	0.25	22.09	72.09	0.81	0.25

DNAPL Recovery Date	MW-57A				MW-57B				MW-70B				MW-75B				Approx DNAPL Recovered (gal)
	DTW (ft BTOC)	DTD (ft BTOC)	DNAPL Thickness (ft)	DNAPL Pumped (gal)	DTW (ft BTOC)	DTD (ft BTOC)	DNAPL Thickness (ft)	DNAPL Pumped (gal)	DTW (ft BTOC)	DTD (ft BTOC)	DNAPL Thickness (ft)	DNAPL Pumped (gal)	DTW (ft BTOC)	DTD (ft BTOC)	DNAPL Thickness (ft)	DNAPL Pumped (gal)	
2/14/2013	10.56	22.12	4.78	0.5	28.56	41.41	1.54	0.25	6.57	34.09	1.61	0.25	10.01	34.1	3.1	0.25	10.25
4/3/2013	10.32	24.79	2.11	0.5	28.09	42.36	0.59	0.25*	6.79	35.26	0.44	0.25	13.71	36.47	0.73	0.25	5.5
4/22/2013	10.71	25.85	1.05	0.5	27.06	42.17	0.78	0.25	6.06	35.12	0.58	0.25	9.72	36.72	0.48	0.25	3.25
5/30/2013	10.63	24.16	2.74	0.5	27.13	41.63	1.32	0.25	6.19	34.67	1.03	0.25	9.61	35.09	2.11	0.75	7.25
6/29/2013	12.16	23.82	3.08	2	18.26	42.07	0.88	0.25	8.01	34.92	0.78	0.25*	10.61	35.61	1.59	0.75	8.25
7/22/2013	13.21	23.05	3.85	2	16.34	41.67	1.28	0.75	8.22	34.07	1.63	0.25*	9.74	35.71	1.49	0.75	7.5
8/26/2013	12.91	25.32	1.58	1	18.01	42.31	0.64	0.25	8.17	35.09	0.61	0.25	10.76	35.93	1.27	0.75	7.5
9/27/2013	12.72	25.71	1.19	0.75	17.74	42.51	0.39	0.25	8.32	35.34	0.36	0.25	10.52	36.39	0.81	0.5	6.5

## Notes:

\* - indicates DNAPL and groundwater mixture

--- - No DNAPL pumped

DTW - Depth to water (feet Below Top of Casing (BTOC))

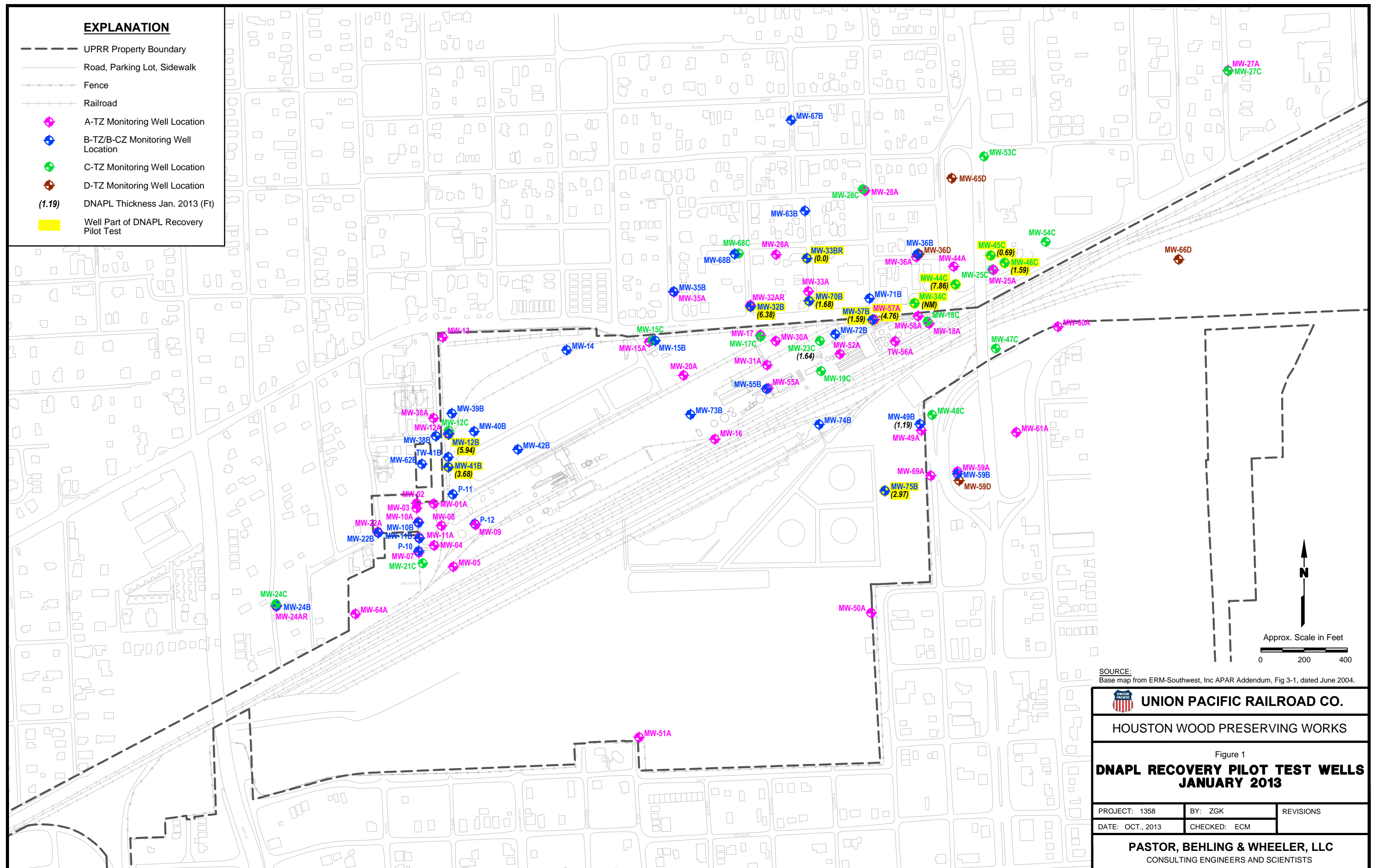
DTD - Depth to DNAPL (feet BTOC)

ND - Not detected

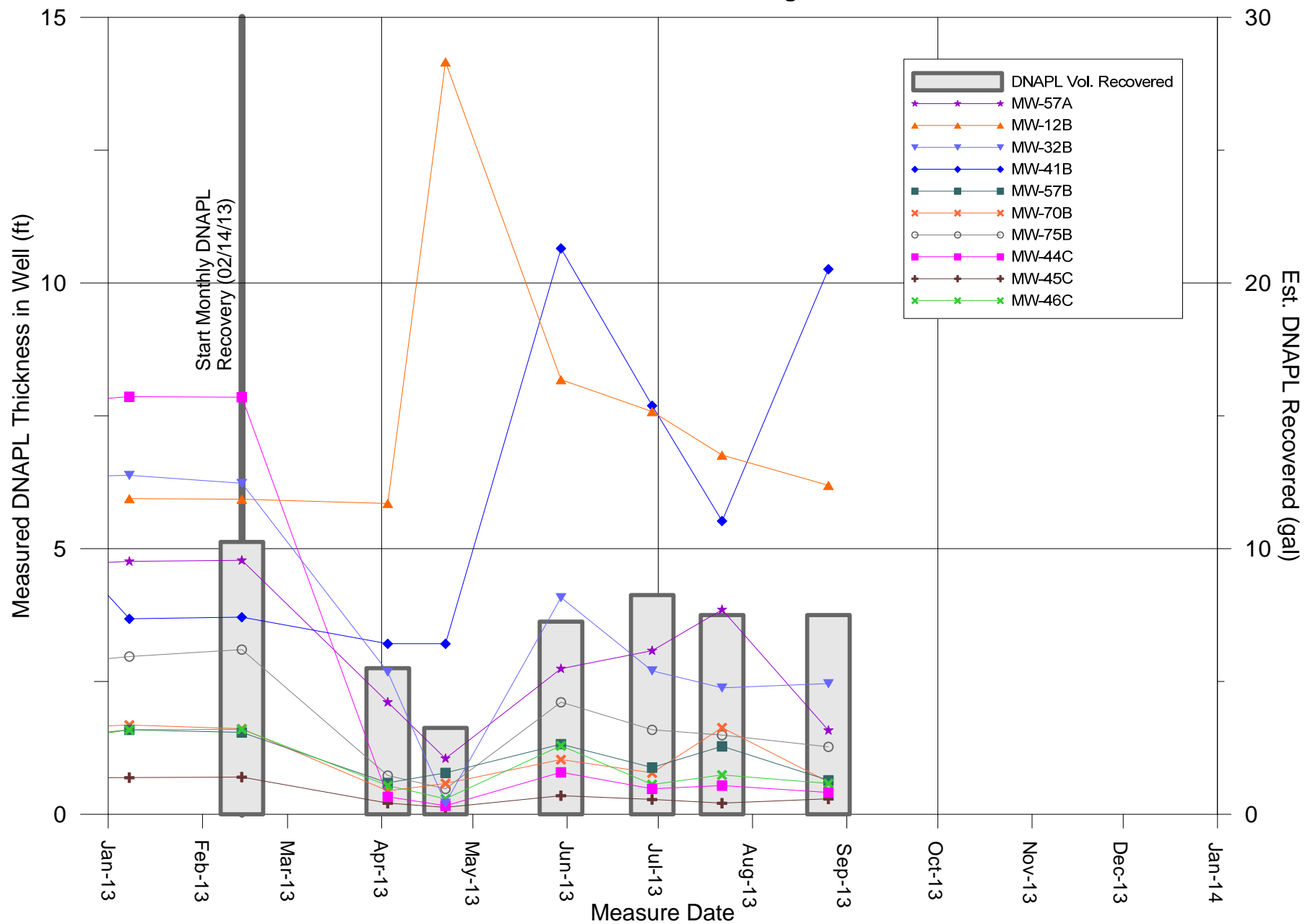
NM - Not measured

PoP - Product on probe, not measureable

## FIGURES



**Figure 2**  
**DNAPL Recovery Pilot Test Feb 2013-Sept 2013**  
**UPRR Houston Wood Preserving Works**



**ATTACHMENT A**  
**WASTE MANIFESTS**

<b>UNIFORM HAZARDOUS WASTE MANIFEST</b>		1. Generator ID Number <b>TXD000820266</b>	2. Page 1 of <b>1</b>	3. Emergency Response Phone <b>888-780-3116</b>	4. Manifest Tracking Number <b>011140887 JJK</b>		
5. Generator's Name and Mailing Address <b>UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD c/o USA, P.O. Box 87687 Houston, TX 77287</b>			Generator's Site Address (if different than mailing address) <b>4910 Liberty Road Houston, TX 77287</b>				
Generator's Phone: <b>281-350-7197</b>							
6. Transporter 1 Company Name <b>USA WASTE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES</b>				U.S. EPA ID Number <b>TXR000032045</b>			
7. Transporter 2 Company Name <b>Clean Harbor ENVIRONMENTAL services</b>				U.S. EPA ID Number <b>MA009322250</b>			
8. Designated Facility Name and Site Address <b>CLEAN HARBOR DEER PARK, LLC 2027 INDEPENDENCE PARKWAY SOUTH LA PORTE, TX 77571</b>				U.S. EPA ID Number <b>TXD055141378</b>			
Facility's Phone: <b>281-930-2300</b>							
GENERATOR INTL TRANSPORTER DESIGNATED FACILITY	9a. HM	9b. U.S. DOT Description (including Proper Shipping Name, Hazard Class, ID Number, and Packing Group (if any))	10. Containers		11. Total Quantity	12. Unit Wt/Vol.	13. Waste Codes
			No.	Type			
	X	<b>NA3082, ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES, LIQUID, N.O.S., 9, PGIII, RQ (CREOSOTE)</b>	001	DM	250	P	0918 219H F034
	X	<b>NA3082, HAZARDOUS WASTE, LIQUID, N.O.S. (F034 WATER), 9, PGIII</b>	001	DM	350	P	0914 101H F034
14. Special Handling Instructions and Additional Information <b>1)CH829200 2)CH229097 2469-TD-H156</b> <b>9bl. changed per Siobhan Leroy/KB 5/20/13</b>							
15. GENERATOR'S/OFFEROR'S CERTIFICATION: I hereby declare that the contents of this consignment are fully and accurately described above by the proper shipping name, and are classified, packaged, marked and labeled/placarded, and are in all respects in proper condition for transport according to applicable international and national governmental regulations. If export shipment and I am the Primary Exporter, I certify that the contents of this consignment conform to the terms of the attached EPA Acknowledgment of Consent. I certify that the waste minimization statement identified in 40 CFR 262.27(a) (if I am a large quantity generator) or (b) (if I am a small quantity generator) is true.							
Generator's/Officer's Printed/Typed Name <b>Geoffrey Trever</b>				Signature <b>Geoffrey Trever</b>		Month Day Year <b>5 14 13</b>	
16. International Shipments <input type="checkbox"/> Import to U.S. <input type="checkbox"/> Export from U.S. Port of entry/exit: _____ Date leaving U.S.: _____							
17. Transporter Acknowledgment of Receipt of Materials							
Transporter 1 Printed/Typed Name <b>L. De Mone Hatch</b>				Signature <b>L. De Mone Hatch</b>		Month Day Year <b>5 14 13</b>	
Transporter 2 Printed/Typed Name <b>Joe Lacour</b>				Signature <b>Joe Lacour</b>		Month Day Year <b>05 17 13</b>	
18. Discrepancy							
18a. Discrepancy Indication Space <input type="checkbox"/> Quantity <input type="checkbox"/> Type <input type="checkbox"/> Residue <input type="checkbox"/> Partial Rejection <input type="checkbox"/> Full Rejection							
Manifest Reference Number: _____							
18b. Alternate Facility (or Generator)						U.S. EPA ID Number	
Facility's Phone: _____							
18c. Signature of Alternate Facility (or Generator)						Month Day Year	
19. Hazardous Waste Report Management Method Codes (i.e., codes for hazardous waste treatment, disposal, and recycling systems)							
1. <b>H400</b>		2. <b>H400</b>		3. _____		4. _____	
20. Designated Facility Owner or Operator: Certification of receipt of hazardous materials covered by the manifest except as noted in Item 18a							
Printed/Typed Name <b>Terri Stoenner</b>				Signature <b>Terri Stoenner</b>		Month Day Year <b>5 11 13</b>	

UNIFORM HAZARDOUS WASTE MANIFEST		1. Generator ID Number TXD000820266	2. Page 1 of 1/2	3. Emergency Response Phone 866-780-3116	4. Manifest Tracking Number 011917032 JJK		
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Generator's Phone: 281-350-7197							
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7. Transporter 2 Company Name Clean Harbors Env. Serv.		U.S. EPA ID Number TXD055141378					
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X	2. NA3082, HAZARDOUS WASTE, LIQUID, N.O.S. (F034 PURGE WATER), 9, PGIII	2	DM	350	P	0914 101H F034	
	3.						
	4.						
14. Special Handling Instructions and Additional Information 1) CH629200 2) CH229097							
15. GENERATOR'S/OFFEROR'S CERTIFICATION: I hereby declare that the contents of this consignment are fully and accurately described above by the proper shipping name, and are classified, packaged, marked and labeled/placarded, and are in all respects in proper condition for transport according to applicable international and national governmental regulations. If export shipment and I am the Primary Exporter, I certify that the contents of this consignment conform to the terms of the attached EPA Acknowledgment of Consent. I certify that the waste minimization statement identified in 40 CFR 262.27(a) (if I am a large quantity generator) or (b) (if I am a small quantity generator) is true.							
Generator's/Offeror's Printed/Typed Name GEOFFREY REEDER		Signature Geoffrey Reeder		Month Day Year 18 13 13			
16. International Shipments <input type="checkbox"/> Import to U.S. <input type="checkbox"/> Export from U.S. Port of entry/exit: _____ Transporter signature (for exports only): _____ Date leaving U.S.: _____							
17. Transporter Acknowledgment of Receipt of Materials							
Transporter 1 Printed/Typed Name L. DE. MONE HATCH		Signature L. De Mone Hatch		Month Day Year 8 13 13			
Transporter 2 Printed/Typed Name Lyndal Brine, Agent for CHES		Signature Lyndal Brine		Month Day Year 8 14 13			
18. Discrepancy							
18a. Discrepancy Indication Space <input type="checkbox"/> Quantity <input type="checkbox"/> Type <input type="checkbox"/> Residue <input type="checkbox"/> Partial Rejection <input type="checkbox"/> Full Rejection							
18b. Alternate Facility (or Generator) Manifest Reference Number: _____ U.S. EPA ID Number _____							
Facility's Phone: _____							
18c. Signature of Alternate Facility (or Generator) _____ Month Day Year _____							
19. Hazardous Waste Report Management Method Codes (i.e., codes for hazardous waste treatment, disposal, and recycling systems)							
1. H040		2. H040		3. _____		4. _____	
20. Designated Facility Owner or Operator: Certification of receipt of hazardous materials covered by the manifest except as noted in Item 18a							
Printed/Typed Name Jeri Stearns		Signature Jeri Stearns		Month Day Year 8 20 13			