

Inactive Hazardous Site Branch  
CTS of Asheville Summary  
(NCD003149556/Former APS# 20358)  
Mills Gap Road, Buncombe County

This is the March 2009 update of the N.C. Department of Environment and Natural Resources-directed activities that CTS is performing at the Mills Gap Road site.

IHSB-CTS Site, Order of Documents:

12-24-09 IDW Drum Manifests Rcvd 2-18-09

**March 2009 Update:**

- A resident named Mr. Don Yelton, contacted the Environmental Protection Agency and the N.C. Department of Environment and Natural Resources by e-mail on Feb. 17, 2009 to obtain copies of the transportation manifests for drums of investigation-derived waste that were removed from the site. Investigation-derived wastes, or IDW, are typically soil and water generated during the drilling and installation of testing wells. IDW is kept in 55-gallon drums pending documented transportation and ultimate disposal at an appropriately permitted facility. David Dorian with the EPA reported that IDW was generated on the Rice Property by EPA's contractor during their activities associated with the surface water/spring ozonation pilot project. IDW was also generated by Mactec during installation of monitoring wells as part of the on-going assessment activities being performed by CTS for DENR. DENR responded to Mr. Yelton on Feb. 17, 2009 that we did not yet have copies of the manifests and that they would be included in the documentation of the "Addendum to Phase IA" report that CTS and Mactec would be sending to DENR on April 10, 2009. Mr. Yelton responded back on Feb. 17, 2009 expressing his dissatisfaction with having to wait for documentation in the report and questioning whether the DENR was adequately overseeing the project. Mr. Tate MacQueen also sent a copy to DENR of an e-mail response he sent to Mr. Yelton questioning if Mr. Yelton's inquiry was regarding the barrels that were removed from the Rice property and CTS on Christmas Eve. Instead of waiting on the April 10, 2009 written report as would be typical with this type of site management, DENR asked CTS and Mactec to provide copies of the transportation manifests for the IDW generated as part of their site investigations being performed for us in order to address community concerns regarding the disposition of the IDW. Copies of the manifests are attached to this document and were provided to Mr. Yelton on Feb. 20, 2009.
- The Inactive Hazardous Site Branch in DENR continues to negotiate an administrative agreement for site cleanup with CTS.
- DENR staff visited the site on Feb. 10, 2009 to observe drilling of on-site deep monitoring wells. As planned in the "Addendum to Phase IA," two deep

monitoring wells were installed at the site in the monitoring well 1 and monitoring well 4 well nest locations.

- Mactec has obtained off-site landowner agreements for installation of monitoring wells and installed off-site monitoring wells on the Rice property (adjacent to the site), and the Page and Green property across Mills Gap Road from the site. They are awaiting approval from the N.C. Department of Transportation to install monitoring wells on the easement near the Old Pinners Cove Road entrance to Mills Gap Road.
- The “Addendum to Phase IA” report is due April 10, 2009.