NPL Site Narrative for Solvents Recovery Service of New England

SOLVENTS RECOVERY SERVICE OF NEW ENGLAND Southington, Connecticut

Conditions at listing (December 1982): Solvents Recovery Service of New England (SRSNE) began to distill and recover solvents in Southington, Connecticut, in 1955. Wastes were stored and disposed of on-site until the mid-1970s on 12 acres west of the Quinnipiac River. In 1965, the Town of Southington installed Production Well #4 about 2,000 feet south of SRSNE, south of the Quinnipiac River. In 1976, Southington Production Well #6 was installed about 1,300 feet south of SRSNE, on the north side of the Quinnipiac. In September 1976, the State found that both wells were contaminated with volatile organic compounds. In February 1980, an EPA contractor confirmed that SRSNE was responsible for the contamination of Production Well #6 and discovered that other closer sources south of the Quinnipiac were contributing to the contamination of Production Well #4.

Status (July 1983): In December 1982, SRSNE signed a Consent Decree with EPA requiring (1) a system to recover ground water on- and off-site and (2) a plan for on-site storage and management of hazardous wastes. In June 1983, the company submitted a complete engineering analysis for the design of the on-site system to EPA.

For more information about the hazardous substances identified in this narrative summary, including general information regarding the effects of exposure to these substances on human health, please see the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) ToxFAQs. ATSDR ToxFAQs can be found on the Internet at ATSDR - ToxFAQs (http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaqs/index.asp) or by telephone at 1-888-42-ATSDR or 1-888-422-8737.