NPL Site Narrative for Tinkham Garage

TINKHAM GARAGE Londonderry, New Hampshire

Conditions at listing (December 1982): The Tinkham Garage Site covers about 25 acres in Londonderry, New Hampshire. The open and wooded land is bordered by residential and agricultural land. During the 1970s, oil, oily materials, washings from septic tank trucks, and other substances were discharged on the site. In May 1978, the State ordered the site owner to prevent further degradation of surface water and ground water. In November 1981, EPA detected chemicals in ground water at the site. In October 1982, volatile organic chemicals were identified in surface water and ground water in areas adjacent to the site. The State confirmed these results independently.

Status (July 1983): In early 1983, wells of the Londonderry Green Apartment complex and several other private wells were closed due to contamination. CERCLA emergency funds (\$150,000) were made available to truck in bottled and bulk water. A line to the Town of Derry's municipal well will be constructed as a permanent source of uncontaminated water.

EPA has completed a Remedial Action Master Plan outlining the investigations needed to determine the full extent of cleanup required at the site. Now EPA and the State are negotiating a Cooperative Agreement for further cleanup.

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.