

NPL Site Narrative for Chem Central

CHEM CENTRAL

Wyoming Township, Michigan

Conditions at listing (December 1982): The Chem Central Site covers 5 acres in Wyoming Township, Kent County, Michigan. In 1977, the State detected high concentrations of PCBs, heavy metals, phthalates, oils, and organic compounds in oily sediments in a ditch near the site. Despite repeated draining, contaminants continue to leach into the ditch, which discharges to Cle Drain, a tributary of Plaster Creek. Ground water studies conducted by the State have traced the contamination to Chem Central (formerly Wolverine Solvents), a chemical distribution facility. The ditch area has been fenced and warning signs posted.

In 1980, the State filed suit seeking a permanent injunction to halt Chem Central's discharges to the ground and dry wells and to stop contaminating ground water.

Status (July 1983): Conditions at this site are currently being addressed through a State enforcement action.

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) (<http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaqs/index.asp>) or by telephone at 1-888-42-ATSDR or 1-888-422-8737.