

**DMSA OS-04**  
**Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) Assessment Report**

**SWMU/AOC NUMBER:** 215

**DATE OF ORIGINAL SAR:** 12/01/00

**DATE OF SAR REVISIONS:** 01/15/11

**REGULATORY STATUS:** SWMU

**LOCATION:** Northwest of the intersection of 4<sup>th</sup> and Ohio Streets on the west side of the plant.

**APPROXIMATE DIMENSION OR CAPACITY:** 480 ft<sup>2</sup>

**FUNCTION:** Temporary storage of materials.

**BRIEF HISTORY:** This area was used as a storage area for a rail tank car with a small amount of liquid. The history of the rail tank car could not be definitively ascertained; however, liquid in the tank was generated as a result of fire training exercises during which the plant fire department ignited the rail tank car and extinguished it with water. This area was declassified by the United States Enrichment Corporation to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) as a DOE Material Storage Area (DMSA) on December 31, 1996.

From May 1999 to August 2005, DOE characterized materials in this DMSA in accordance with the DMSA Characterization/Remediation Plan, which was incorporated as Appendix E of the 2003 Agreed Order. The liquid in the tank, which resulted from the fire extinguishing training exercises, was characterized in May 1999. A tamper-indicating device was placed on the top hatch and bottom valve following the 1999 sampling event. Samples of the soil/gravel were taken within the DMSA during the characterization activities in April 2002, while evaluation of the data from May 1999 indicated no need for additional sampling of the liquid. The *Final Inventory and Characterization Report (FI/CR)* was submitted to the Kentucky Division of Waste Management (KDWM) on September 12, 2002. A second soil/gravel sampling event occurred in December 2002, subsequent to issuance of the FI/CR. The second sampling event was performed to provide information on additional analytes for environmental site characterization. Comments, questions, and conditional approval to the FI/CR were provided by KDWM on two occasions, April 15, 2004, and July 28, 2005, and DOE responded on May 21, 2004, and August 25, 2005, respectively. The August 25, 2005, response was in a form of an addendum to the FI/CR and included copies of the assessments and analytical data from both soil/gravel sampling events. Interviews with personnel indicate that ballast rock and dirt were removed in October 2005.

Per the 2003 Agreed Order, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) closure was not required for this SWMU because no hazardous wastes were discovered in this unit.

**PRESENT OPERATIONAL STATUS:** Inactive

**DATES OPERATED:** Unknown to 2005

**SITE/PROCESS DESCRIPTION:** An outside DOE storage area located within the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant fenced security area.

**WASTE DESCRIPTION:** The SWMU currently is empty. Low-level waste formerly stored included the rail tank car and the liquid in the tank. A detailed description of the characterized waste formerly stored can be found in the FI/CR and its addendum.

**WASTE QUANTITY:** Currently 0 ft<sup>3</sup>; waste quantity removed 3,248 ft<sup>3</sup>

**SUMMARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLING DATA:** The ground beneath the rail tank car was surveyed for radiological contamination on April 21, 1999. Results indicated 684,000 disintegrations per minute (dpm)/100 cm<sup>2</sup> and 13,200 dpm/100 cm<sup>2</sup> in randomly selected rock from beneath the valve on the bottom/middle of the railcar. As a result, this SWMU was posted as a Contaminated Area (CA). The soil/gravel under and surrounding the rail tank car was sampled in April and December 2002 to determine the presence of RCRA, Toxic Substances and Control Act, or radiological contaminants. A detailed assessment on the contaminated soil/gravel, including the analytical results of the 2002 sampling events, can be found in the FI/CR and its addendum.

A gamma walk-over survey within the CA was conducted on September 8, 2005, by Radiological Control Technicians. Results indicated that the beta/gamma readings were less than the background level on the eastern portion of the CA. The highest beta/gamma reading of the ground with gravel cover was 89,757 dpm/100 cm<sup>2</sup> taken on the western side of the CA.

Following a removal of ballast rock and dirt, another gamma walk-over survey was conducted on October 28, 2005. No radiological readings were greater than the results of the surrounding background readings; therefore, SWMU 215 no longer was posted as a CA as of October 28, 2005. Attachment 1 includes the 2005 radiological survey results and locations in relation to the SWMU boundary.

**DESCRIPTION OF RELEASE AND MEDIA AFFECTED:** Radiologically contaminated liquids contained within the rail car leaked to the soil/gravel beneath it.

<b>GROUNDWATER:</b>	None known
<b>SURFACE WATER:</b>	None known
<b>SOIL:</b>	See above
<b>ECOLOGY AFFECTED</b> (i.e., threatened/endangered species):	None known

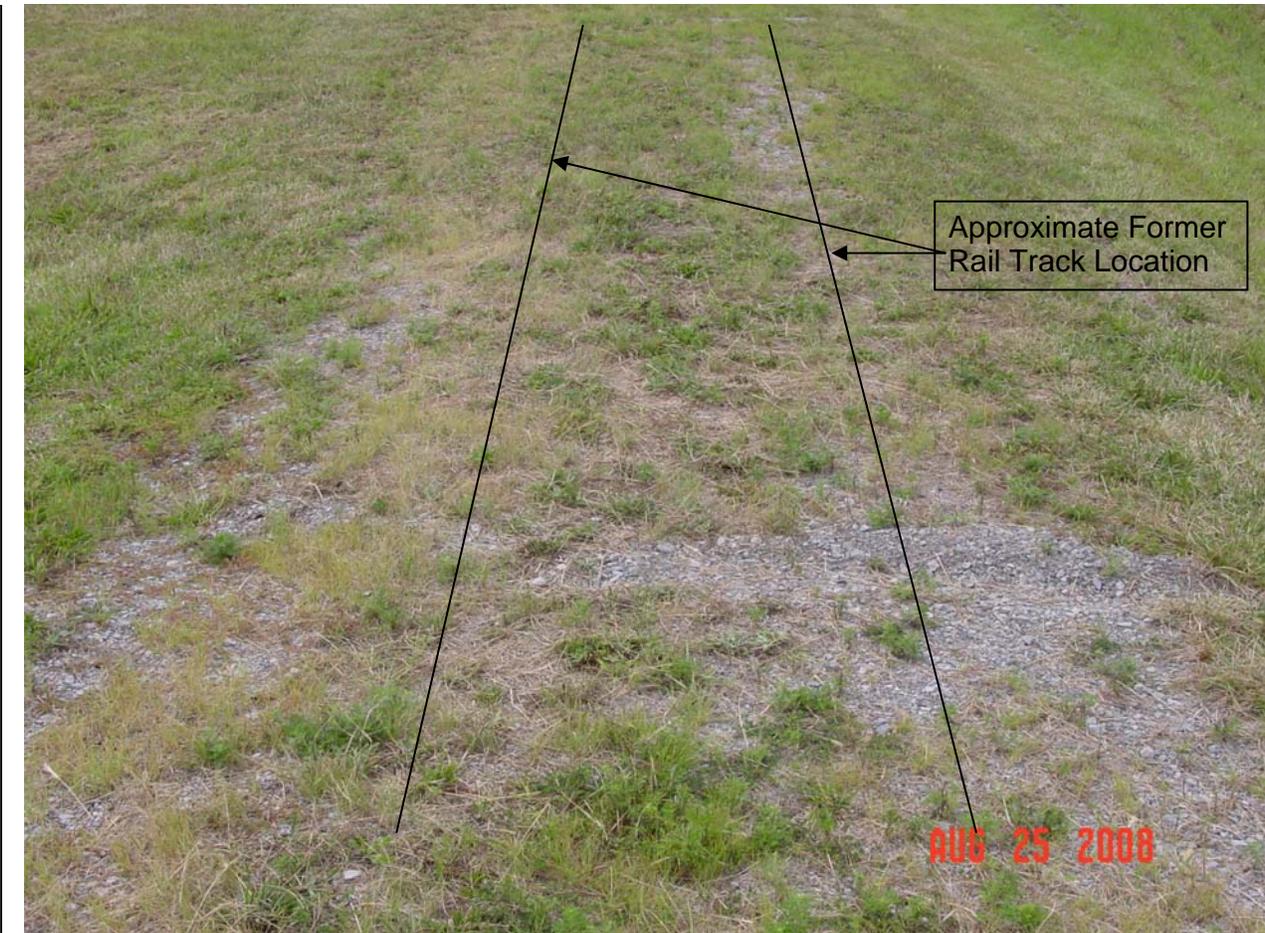
**DOCUMENTATION OF NO RELEASE:** See description of release and media affected above.

**IMPACT ON OR BY OTHER SWMU/AOC:** There is no evidence that this SWMU impacts or is being impacted by other SWMUs.

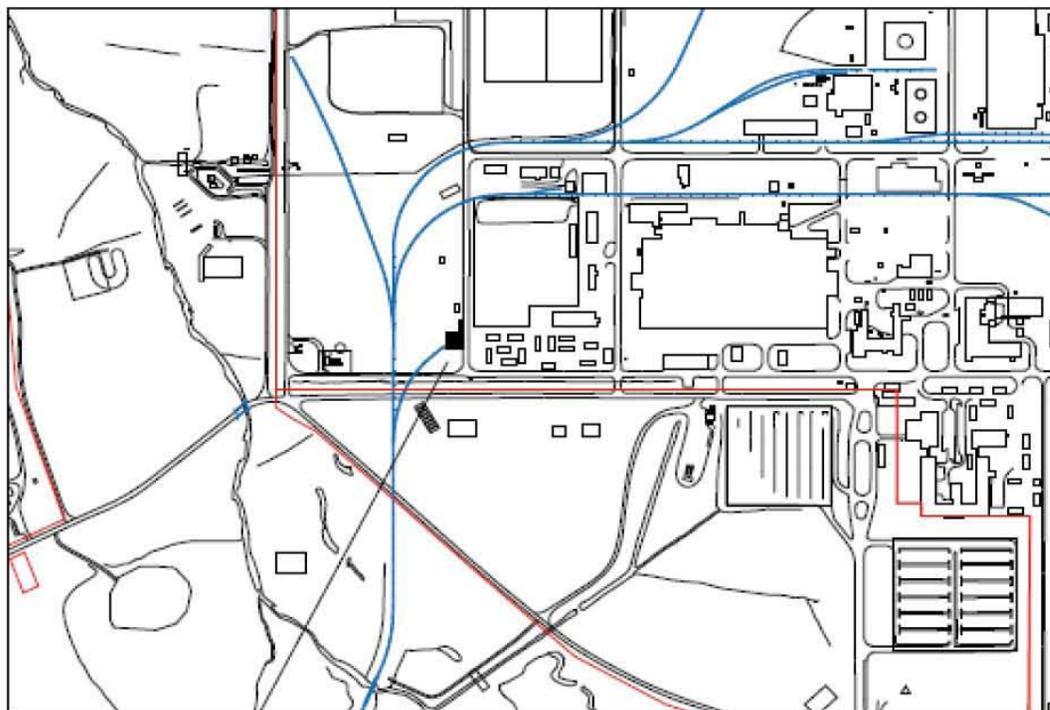
**PRG COMPARISON:** N/A

**RFI NECESSARY:** No. This unit is being proposed for no further action under RCRA because it no longer is active, has no evidence of releases of RCRA hazardous constituents to the environment, and is not believed to pose a risk to human health or the environment.

**OPERABLE UNIT ASSIGNMENT:** N/A



**SWMU 215 (Looking Southwest)  
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August 25, 2008**

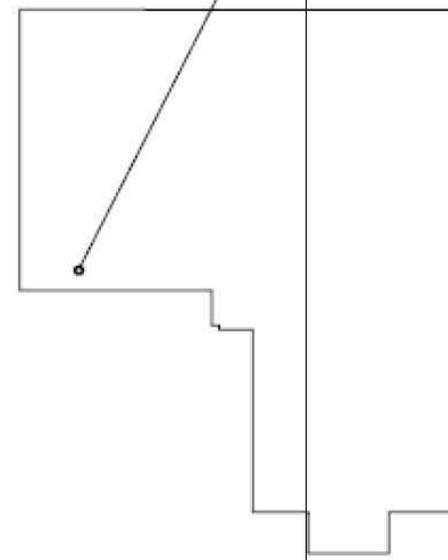


SWMU 215  
Outside  
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LEGEND

 OFFICIAL DOE DMSA's PER 12/01/96  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN DOE AND USEC

SWMU 215



Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY  
DOE PORTSMOUTH/PADUCAH PROJECT OFFICE  
PADUCAH GASEOUS DIFFUSION PLANT

Outside Areas - SWMU 215



LATA Environmental Services  
of Kentucky, LLC

## **ATTACHMENT 1**

### **RADIOLOGICAL SURVEY RESULTS AND MAP ILLUSTRATING SURVEY LOCATION FOR SWMU 215**

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### Radiological Survey Form

Survey No.: 05-Dm-1165-S Date: 090905 Time: 0845 RWP NO.: PAQ-Dm-25965 R1  
 Location of Survey-General (Site/Bldg.): DMSA Specific (Room/Area/Item): 0/54  
 Purpose of Survey:  Routine  Special  Off-Site Release  Radioactive Shipment Receipt  Radioactive Pre-Shipment  Radioactive Shipment

Material Description: Investigative Survey of ground Conditions

Technician: <u>C. Peters / J. Schul</u>	Badge: <u>30721</u>	Technician: <u>N/A</u>	Badge: <u>NA</u>
Technician: <u>Steve Wheeler / Steve Schul</u>	Badge: <u>071545</u>	Technician: <u>N/A</u>	Badge: <u>NA</u>
Model#: <u>Lud 3</u> Serial#: <u>87933</u> Cal Due Date: <u>061306</u>	Probe Model#: <u>44-9</u> Bkgd (cpm): <u>50</u> CFPT: <u>4.67</u> CF Plane: <u>30.13</u>	Model#: <u>Lud 2221</u> Serial#: <u>211800</u> Cal Due Date: <u>021506</u>	Probe Model#: <u>52M-0230</u> Bkgd (cpm): <u>avg 609</u> CFPT: <u>NA</u> CF Plane: <u>NA</u>
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Laboratory Results Attached? Yes  No  (If yes, see attached results)

Item No.	Removable α dpm/100cm <sup>2</sup>	Total α dpm/100cm <sup>2</sup>	Removable B/γ dpm/100cm <sup>2</sup>	Total B/γ dpm/100cm <sup>2</sup>	LAW α dpm/wipe	LAW β dpm/wipe	α/β ratio result if > 2x Bkg.	Sample Location and/or Remarks	RCT Initials
L <sub>c</sub>	NA	NA	NA	49635	NA	NA	2x Bkg 12418	NA	NA
1-18	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	< 2x Bkg	ground	CA SW
19	NA	NA	NA	15698	NA	NA	22620	ground with gravel cover	CA SW
19	NA	NA	NA	4670	NA	NA	NA	ground without gravel cover	CA SW
20-22	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	< 2x Bkg	ground	CA SW
23	NA	NA	NA	89757	NA	NA	50902	ground with gravel cover	CA SW
23	NA	NA	NA	6056	NA	NA	NA	ground without gravel cover	CA SW
24	NA	NA	NA	4610	NA	NA	< 2x Bkg	ground with gravel cover	CA SW
25-30	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	< 2x Bkg	ground	CA SW
31	NA	NA	NA	18530	NA	NA	NA	ground with gravel cover	CA SW
31	NA	NA	NA	19464	NA	NA	NA	ground without gravel cover	CA SW
<del>NA</del>									

Comments: #1-18, 20-22, 25-30 are of the ground with no gravel removed.  
 #19, 23 & 31 show readings with gravel and without gravel

Note: Any response to the instrument that is above the critical detection level (L<sub>c</sub>) is considered to be above background.

Released to: NA  
 PAD/RCO-081A Rev. 6 (5/05)

HP Supervisor Review: Max Mc 090905  
 Signature/Date

RADIOLOGICAL SURVEY MAP FORM

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SURVEY MAP	SURVEY NO.: <u>05-DM-1165-3</u> <del>PAA-DM-11080805</del>
<b>Legend:</b> A Air Sample Location ○ Smear □ Beta or Gamma Dose Rate △ Neutron Dose Rate ○ ~~~~~> LAW	
<p>Fiddler Bkg 5704</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Fiddler Bkg 6656</p> <p style="text-align: center;">west →</p> <p style="text-align: left;">Fiddler Bkg 5636</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Fiddler Bkg 6841</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-- CA boundary</p>	

### Radiological Survey Form

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Survey No.: 05-02-1389 S Date: 10-28-05 Time: 1300 RWP NO.: 05-4  
 Location of Survey-General (Site/Bldg): 0154 Specific (Room/Area/Item): 015-4  
 Purpose of Survey:  Routine  Special  Off-Site Release  Radioactive Shipment Receipt  Radioactive Pre-Shipment  Radioactive Shipment

Material Description: Down Posting CA

Technician: B. Decker / J. Stinson Badge: 635437 Technician: MVA Badge: UA  
 Technician: J. Donald Badge: 707719 Technician: UA Badge: UA  
 Model# 6005-0021 Serial# 211802 Cal Due Date: 9-15-06 Probe Model# 6005-0021 Bkgd (cpm): 10713 CFPL: UA CF Plane: UA  
 Model# Probe 60 Bkgd (cpm): Probe 60 CFPL: Probe 60 CF Plane: Probe 60  
 Model# Probe 1 Bkgd (cpm): Probe 1 CFPL: Probe 1 CF Plane: Probe 1  
 Model# Probe 1 Bkgd (cpm): Probe 1 CFPL: Probe 1 CF Plane: Probe 1  
 Model# Probe 1 Bkgd (cpm): Probe 1 CFPL: Probe 1 CF Plane: Probe 1  
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Laboratory Results Attached? Yes  No  (If yes, see attached results)

Item No.	Removable α dpm/100cm <sup>2</sup>	Total α dpm/100cm <sup>2</sup>	Removable β dpm/100cm <sup>2</sup>	Total β dpm/100cm <sup>2</sup>	LAW α dpm/wipe	LAW β dpm/wipe	Sample Location and/or Remarks	RCT Initials
L <sub>c</sub>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
1				5396			Southwest Corner (see map)	JD
2				5141			West Side	JD
3				5396			Northwest Corner	JD
4				5412			North Side	JD
5				6091			Middle West	JD
6	NA		NA	4816		NA	Middle East	JD
7				4997			South Side	JD
8				4981			South East Corner	JD
9				4848			East Side	JD
10				5261			North East Corridor	JD
							NA	

Comments: All Readings During Area Scan Less than Surrounding Background

Note: Any response to the instrument that is above the critical detection level (L<sub>c</sub>) is considered to be above background.

Released to: NA  
PAD/RCO-081A Rev. 6 (5/05)

HP Supervisor Review: MVA 10/31/05  
Signature/Date

RADIOLOGICAL SURVEY MAP FORM

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SURVEY MAP	SURVEY NO.: <u>PAD-DM-1389-S</u>
<b>Legend:</b> A Air Sample Location      □ Beta or Gamma Dose Rate      ○ with wavy arrow LAW ○ Smear      △ Neutron Dose Rate	
<p>DIS-4</p> <p>↑ N</p> <p>△ 11274</p> <p>□ 1</p> <p>△ 10622</p> <p>△ 10243</p> <p>--- CONTAMINATION BOUNDARY (CA)</p> <p>□ A: A Sampler Location</p> <p>○ Survey Points</p> <p>△ Background Points</p> <p>Average Background Outside Area 10713 cpm</p>	