

Marjol Battery Site



Gould Electronics Inc. Community Update

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PROJECT INFORMATION AND SCHEDULE

Background: On July 13, 2006, a new Administrative Order on Consent (RCRA 2006 Consent Order) signed by the USEPA, PADEP and Gould became effective regarding the implementation of Corrective Measures at the Marjol Battery Site. The RCRA 2006 Consent Order lays out the requirements for implementing the corrective measures in USEPA/PADEP's Final Remedy. The first phase is the design phase and the second phase is construction. The third and final phase is maintaining and monitoring the constructed remedy.

Design: An early step in this process, the Pre-Design Investigation (PDI), was completed in May 2007. The next step was the design phase. Gould submitted the Pre-Final (90%) Remedial Design (represents about a 90% level of completion) to USEPA/PADEP on November 8, 2007. It is expected that the Final Design (100%) will be submitted to USEPA/PADEP in mid April 2008. (Note: Comments received from other reviewing agencies after the Final Design has been submitted to USEPA/PADEP will be incorporated into the construction documents.)

Contractor Selection: Bids from contractors were received on February 11, 2008. A contractor to perform the construction of the Final Remedy will be selected by Gould in April 2008. USEPA/PADEP will have to approve Gould's selection before the chosen contractor is named.

Permits and Approvals: Although it does not appear that any Federal permits are required for the implementation of the Final Remedy, there are State, County, and Local permits and approvals that are required. Gould began submitting applications for the necessary permits in August 2007; several are already in place at this time and it is expected that all necessary permits and approvals will be obtained by the middle of May 2008.

Construction: Once a contractor is selected and approved by USEPA/PADEP, and all permits and approvals are in place, activities will move into the second phase, the Construction Phase. It is anticipated that construction will begin in the middle of May 2008. Construction of the Final Remedy is expected to take approximately 2 years; through Fall 2009.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

During construction, Gould will be increasing the number of newsletters, making updates to the web site more frequently, and making every effort to keep you informed of construction plans and activities. Gould will also be scheduling small group meetings with some of the neighbors who live closest to the Site to discuss aspects of the construction related specifically to them and to answer specific questions. Gould's Community Relations Representative, Lisa Ayers, is available to answer your questions at any time. Please feel free to contact her throughout this process.

If you would like to sign up for our community newsletter or would like to sign up for email notifications when the Marjol web site is updated, please contact Lisa Ayers at (570)383-9313 or go to our web site:

www.marjolcleanup.com