

**U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
Region III**

**Final Decision and Response to Comments  
Former Hercules Facility,  
Courtland, VA  
RCRA ID# VAD 003 122 165**

**I. FINAL REMEDY DECISION**

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has selected the Final Remedy for the Former Hercules Facility (Facility). The Final Remedy consists of: (1) for soils, implementation and maintenance of land use restrictions to prohibit use of Facility property for residential purposes; (2) for groundwater, continuation of active treatment in the Vul-Culp unit area and monitored natural attenuation/long-term groundwater monitoring in other areas where contaminants remain above EPA's Corrective Action Objectives; and (3) for potential vapor intrusion into structures from subsurface contamination, installation of a Vapor Control System in any building with indoor vapor levels exceeding EPA's acceptable levels. Land and groundwater use restrictions will be maintained by institutional controls. The Final Remedy is based on the findings as detailed in the Statement of Basis, which was issued on September 22, 2016.

**II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

EPA opened the 30-day public comment period in a public notice in the Tidewater Times newspaper on September 23, 2016. The notice provided background on the Facility and requested comment on the proposed Remedy. The public comment period ended on October 24, 2016.

**III. RESPONSE TO COMMENTS**

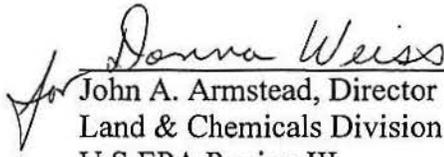
EPA received no comments on the proposed Remedy. Consequently, the Final Remedy for the Facility is unchanged from the remedy proposed in the Statement of Basis.

**IV. AUTHORITY**

EPA is issuing this Final Decision and Response to comments (Final Decision) under the authority of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by RCRA, and the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (HSWA) of 1984, 42 U.S.C. Sections 6901 to 6992k.

V. DECLARATION

Based on the Administrative Record compiled for the Corrective Action at the Former Hercules Facility, EPA has determined that the Final Remedy selected in this Final Decision is protective of human health and the environment.

  
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