



South Carolina Department of Health
and Environmental Control
State Superfund Program

AVX Corporation
801 17th Avenue South, Myrtle Beach, SC

Update and Notice of Availability Sessions

March 10, 2009

DHEC Availability Sessions

When: Thursday, March 26, 2009
2:00 - 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Where: Myrtle Beach Fire Department—Station #3
2018 South Kings Highway, Myrtle Beach

Purpose: At these sessions, staff of DHEC's Bureau of Land and Waste Management (BLWM) will provide an **update on the ongoing groundwater investigations** at the AVX Corporation—Myrtle Beach facility and any surrounding areas affected by the contamination (the Site). Staff will also talk about the groundwater remediation pilot study on the Horry Land Company property. You will have an opportunity to ask questions at these sessions.

March 26, 2009 Update on Groundwater Investigations

The following groundwater activities have taken place since BLWM's May 2008 Availability Sessions:

- DHEC received sampling results for four additional groundwater monitoring wells installed around the AVX facility in April 2008. These samples did not have any site-related contaminants. The other groundwater monitoring wells on and around the Site were also sampled in May 2008. The concentrations of the site-related contamination in these wells were consistent with previous data. Current and previous data are included in the September 2008 Groundwater Monitoring and On-Site Monitoring Well Installation Report. This report is available for review in DHEC's Columbia Office and in DHEC Region 6—Myrtle Beach office. This report will also be available in the Socastee Branch Library and on DHEC's website after March 16, 2009.
- In June 2008, DHEC approved a Feasibility Study Work Plan (FS Work Plan) and a plan to test four soil gas sample locations again. The approved FS Work Plan provided for the collection of additional data to help evaluate alternatives for an effective groundwater remediation system. The FS Work Plan also provided for a pilot study of a potential groundwater remediation technology called Enhanced Reductive Dechlorination (ERD). This pilot study was started in the fall of 2008 on the Horry Land Company property. Monitoring and evaluation of the ERD system will continue through the summer of 2009. The pilot study includes the collection of sampling data in order to evaluate the effectiveness of the ERD system.

Additional information on these and other DHEC activities at the AVX Corporation—Myrtle Beach Site can be found on our website:

www.scdhec.gov/avx

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BLWM's Administrative Record

BLWM's Administrative Record (AR) for the Site will be updated after March 26, 2009, to include the latest technical reports and other documents. The AR is available for review at the following locations:

Horry County Memorial Library (Socastee Branch)

141 SC Highway 707-Connector - Myrtle Beach, SC - (843) 215-4700
Monday - Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Friday: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

DHEC's Bureau of Land & Waste Management (BLWM)

8911 Farrow Road - Columbia, SC
Freedom of Information Office: (803) 898-3817
Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Information at the library may be viewed Monday through Saturday at the times listed above. Information at DHEC's Columbia Office may be viewed by appointment during normal business hours. To schedule an appointment, please call (803) 898-3817.

What are BLWM's Next Steps?

- BLWM staff will review a Feasibility Study Report (FS Report). This report will include a detailed evaluation of alternatives (including the results of the ERD pilot) for cleaning up the facility and the surrounding area. DHEC will have final approval of the FS Report.
- The BLWM will then develop a Proposed Plan, which is a report that details the clean-up alternatives considered and which one DHEC believes will be most effective.
- The BLWM will hold a public meeting on the Proposed Plan. At this meeting, staff will provide a formal presentation and summary of all the clean-up alternatives that were considered, including DHEC's preferred alternative. Oral and written comments on the Proposed Plan will be accepted. You will also have the opportunity to ask questions at this meeting.
- Following the meeting, DHEC will accept additional comments on the Proposed Plan during a 30-day comment period.

This Update is being provided to let you know what groundwater activities are occurring on and around the Site. If you received this update by mail, you are on the BLWM mailing list for this Site. Please contact Pat Vincent if you want to be removed from this mailing list.

DHEC will make every effort to provide interpreters, or accommodations for persons with disabilities, at the Availability Sessions. Please contact Pat Vincent to request special accommodations at least one week in advance; or

- For our Spanish-speaking Community: Se Habla: (866) 300-9327
- For our Hearing-Impaired Community: (800) 984-4357