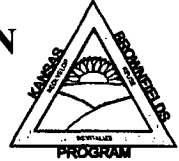




KANSAS BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT DECISION
Kansas Department of Health and Environment
Bureau of Environmental Remediation



SITE NAME: Independence Airport West BTA
ADDRESS: West of 1st Avenue b/w Freedom Drive and C St.
CITY /COUNTY: Independence/Montgomery County
REFER TO REPORT DATED: August 18, 2011
REPORT TYPE: Phase I Brownfields Targeted Assessment (BTA)
REPORT DEVELOPED BY: Geotechnical Services, Inc. (GSI)

DECISION DISCUSSION AND RATIONALE

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) conducted a Phase I Brownfields Targeted Assessment (BTA) west of 1st avenue between Freedom drive C. Street at the Independence Municipal Airport in Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas. The BTA was conducted for the City of Independence to evaluate a formerly used defense site property with an unknown history or environmental status to aid in possible expansion of existing industrial facility operations.

The Phase I BTA has revealed the following "Recognized Environmental Conditions" (RECs) associated with the property: potential hazardous substances associated with former military operations. Past operation directly related to the property could not be reasonably ascertained, which constitutes a data gap as defined by ASTM 1527-05. The data gap does constitute a REC and warrants additional investigation. Further assessment related to this REC is recommended to commence.

This Phase I BTA was conducted under ASTM 1527-05 and the All Appropriate Inquiries Final Rule of 40 CFR Part 312. The KDHE Brownfields Program certifies that this report meets or exceeds all requirements established by such Standards. The attached EPA *checklist for Phase I Site Assessments conducted using EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant Funds* has been completed and is hereby made a part of this Brownfields Decision document.

BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT DECISION CONCURRENCE

 _____ Rick L. Bean Remedial Section Chief	Date <u>9/15/11</u>
 _____ Doug Doubek State Response Unit Manager	Date <u>9/15/11</u>
 _____ Ryan Weiser Brownfields Coordinator	Date <u>9/15/11</u>

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The conclusions and recommendations provided herein are based exclusively on the conditions identified through the Brownfields Assessment. Future contaminant releases on the subject property and/or future discovery of additional environmental impacts may warrant subsequent response not discussed in the BTA report or this document.

Checklist for Phase I Site Assessments Conducted using EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant Funds

Contact Information

Grantee Name: Kansas Department of Health and Environment

Grant Number: RP98726204

ACRES Property ID: 134484

Program Manager Name: Ryan Weiser
(Point of Contact)

Contact Phone Number: 785-296-5519

Name / Address of Property Assessed: Independence Airport West

Checklist

Please indicate that each of the following All Appropriate Inquiries documentation requirements were met for the Phase I assessment conducted at the above listed property:

- An *opinion* as to whether the inquiry has identified conditions indicative of releases or threatened releases of hazardous substances, and as applicable, pollutants and contaminants, petroleum or petroleum products, or controlled substances, on, at, in, or to the subject property.
- An identification of "*significant*" data gaps (as defined in §312.10 of AAI final rule and §12.7 of ASTM E1527-05), if any, in the information collected for the inquiry, as well as comments regarding the significance of these data gaps. Significant data gaps including missing and unattainable information that affects the ability of the environmental professional to identify conditions indicative of releases or threatened releases of hazardous substances, and as applicable, pollutants and contaminants, petroleum or petroleum products, or controlled substances, on, at, in, or to the subject property.
- Qualifications and signature** of the environmental professional(s). The environmental professional must place the following statements in the document and sign the document:
 - "[I, We] declare that, to the best of [my, our] professional knowledge and belief, [I, we] meet the definition of Environmental Professional as defined in §312.10 of this part."
 - "[I, We] have the specific qualifications based on education, training, and experience to assess a property of the nature, history, and setting of the subject property. [I, We] have developed and performed the all appropriate inquiries in conformance with the standards and practices set forth in 40 CFR Part 312."

Note: Please use either "I" or "We."
- In compliance with §312.31(b) of the AAI final rule and §12.6.1 of ASTM E1527-05, the environmental professional must include in the final report an *opinion regarding additional appropriate investigation*, if the environmental professional has such an opinion.

Signature of Grantee Program Manager

9/15/2011

Date