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EVERETT ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY

Background

In late 1984, discussions were held between the Everett Plant and DEQE on a comprehensive environmental study of the plant's soil and groundwater. The plant and our outside consultants began working with the agency in early 1985 on the planning, scope and design of the project and continued to do so until August, 1985 when approval from DEQE was received to begin the study. The initial data gathering began in September and was completed by December. On February 25, we submitted our status report to the agency for review.

Study

The Everett Plant contracted with BCM Eastern, Inc., recognized experts in the area of environmental assessment, [redacted] to conduct the study. The study was comprised of five major phases. These are:

1) Potential source identification - Historical records were reviewed and long-time Monsanto employees were interviewed.
2) Potential source characterization - Two surface geophysical surveys were conducted at the site. Results of these surveys were presented in BCM's report entitled "Geophysical Investigation", dated December 1985. Additionally, 34 test pits were excavated to characterize geophysical anomalies and other areas of interest identified in the review and historical records.

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