

TEXTRON ROCHESTER UPDATE

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Update on Water Line Project

Textron is committed to providing residents a safe and reliable water supply in the area of the Torx plant and we continue to work to accomplish that goal. Textron intends to implement this objective through the extension of the existing City of Rochester water line, the purchase of City water, and the establishment of a Conservancy District. All costs would be paid by Textron and there would be no costs to property owners within the District.

Earlier this month Textron received a construction permit from the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) to build the water line. Textron can now proceed with its construction and is in the process of retaining contractors to complete the project. Installation is scheduled before year end.

Construction is anticipated to commence in August, with the initial activities to be extension of the water line north along Old US Highway 31 from its current location near Dean Foods. Following that, we will be constructing piping runs along the roads that connect to Old US Highway 31, such as E 375 N and E 425 N. Vehicle traffic should not be significantly affected since roads will remain open.

This fall we will be making the connections to individual properties. We will coordinate this activity with the individual property owners, letting you know in advance when we will need to access your property. There will be no disruption of your water supply, aside of an hour or so when the final plumbing connections are made. Because this project is starting late in the construction season, we may need to make temporary pavement and landscaping repairs to your property if the weather turns poor in late November. However, in the spring once the weather permits, your property will be fully restored.

The specifications for the operation and maintenance contractor for the water line will be made available shortly on the Torx Remediation project web-site in the *So. Richland Conservancy Documents* tab.

Update on Groundwater Remediation Project

Textron is committed to the remediation of groundwater impacts in the vicinity of its former plant. Toward this end, Textron submitted to IDEM a feasibility study that evaluated five potential remedial alternatives to clean-up the groundwater. A bio-remediation alternative was recommended by Textron's environmental consultant, AMEC.

This remedy would involve a series of injections into groundwater of a mixture of a food grade compound (ethyl lactate) at numerous points where the contaminant concentrations are highest to stimulate naturally occurring microorganisms to degrade chemicals in groundwater. The plan would also include a series of injections of a compound called zero valent iron into groundwater that, through chemical reaction, promotes the complete breakdown of chlorinated solvents in groundwater. The proposed remedy was selected primarily because it should result in the quickest reduction of contamination levels. The injection compounds to be utilized are all safe for the environment and have been commonly and successfully used at remediation projects across the country.

IDEM has approved of the remedy, which will first be pilot tested at discrete areas within the planned remediation area to confirm its effectiveness and to make any necessary adjustments prior to full scale implementation. Earlier this month, Textron submitted a work plan to IDEM to conduct the pilot test and will commence that activity upon receipt of agency approval. We anticipate installation of injection wells for the pilot test early this fall. This work will take place at the Acument plant and on Textron owned property east of the plant on the other side of Old US Highway 31.

For additional information regarding the investigation, please visit our website at:
www.torxremediationproject.com

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