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RE: Evaluation of status under the RCRA Info Corrective Action Environmental Indicator Event Codes (CA725 and CA750) for the Louisiana Pacific Corporation facility in Lockhart, Covington County, Alabama
USEPA Identification Number ALD 095 687 786

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I. PURPOSE OF MEMO

This memo is written to formalize an evaluation of the status of Louisiana Pacific Corporation, in relation to the following corrective action event codes defined in the RCRA Info database:

- 1) Current Human Exposures Under Control (CA725),
- 2) Migration of Contaminated Groundwater Under Control (CA750).

Concurrence by the Industrial Hazardous Waste Branch Chief is required prior to entering these event codes into RCRA Info. Your concurrence with the interpretations provided in the following paragraphs and the subsequent recommendations is satisfied by dating and signing at the appropriate locations within Attachments 1 and 2.

II. HISTORY OF ENVIRONMENTAL INDICATOR EVALUATIONS AT THE FACILITY AND REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

This particular evaluation is the second evaluation performed by the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) for the Louisiana Pacific Corporation Lockhart facility. A previous evaluation was prepared in September 29, 1998. The evaluation, and associated interpretations and conclusions on contamination, exposures and contaminant migration at the facility are based on information obtained from the following documents:

- Part-B permit renewal Application;
- Corrective Measures Work Plan;
- Design Analysis Report,
- Groundwater Recovery System Performance Evaluation Reports
- Confirmatory Sampling report
- Addendum to CS report

III. FACILITY SUMMARY

Louisiana Pacific Corporation is located in Covington County, Alabama, between the cities of Florala and Lockhart on Highway 55. The facility was first developed in 1953. Before plant construction, the site was undeveloped. Adjacent land use is a mixture undeveloped woodlands, residential, and light commercial property. Pond creek and its unnamed tributary border the facility to the West and South. The groundwater generally flows from north east to south west. The site's northern boundary along Highway 55 is fenced.

The climate in Covington county consists of long hot summers with average temperatures between 79 F -92 F and short cool winters with average temperatures between 36 F- 49 F. Total average annual rainfall in Covington County is 58.54 inches. On-site topography is relatively flat ranging from 260 to 280 feet above mean sea level (MSL). The Pond Creek and its unnamed tributary are the surface water bodies closest to the site and are not known to be drinking water source. The soil at and near the site is loamy and sandy and well drained. The Louisiana Pacific facility is located in the recharge area of the Miocene-Pliocene aquifer system of south central Alabama. The Miocene-Pliocene deposits underlying the Louisiana Pacific site contain an upper water table aquifer and a lower confined aquifer. The confining unit separating the two aquifers is a layer of blue gray clay which appears to be laterally continuous at the site and varies in thickness from 9 to 13 feet.

Past waste management units at the facility included three surface impoundments referred to as "Pond 1", "Pond 2", and "Pond 3". Pond 1 and Pond 2 received creosote and pentachlorophenol (PCP)-contaminated wastewater from the wood treating process. Pond 3 received overflow from Pond 2. Pond 1 was taken out of service around 1980. Most of the contents from Pond 1 were allowed to flow into Pond 2 and Pond 1 was backfilled and covered with a clay cap. In 1985, the wood treating system at the facility was converted to the CCA closed loop process. In 1988 Ponds 2 and 3 were closed in accordance with ADEM-approved closure plans. In 1992 the facility instituted a groundwater and phased product recovery system by gravity separation. The facility has recovered approximately 110 gallons of contaminants per day and 8000 gallons of K001 oils to date. Operations at the facility were ceased and the facility closed in 1998. A post-closure permit renewal was issued in September 2003 that requires upgrades to site-wide corrective measures including the installation of a slurry wall down-gradient of the closed ponds.

IV. CONCLUSION FOR CA725

The appropriate status code to be entered for RCRAInfo event code CA725 (Current Human Exposures Under Control) is YES. As discussed in Attachment 1, there are no plausible human exposures to contaminated groundwater. Exposure of trespassers to contaminated soils and surface, while possible, is considered insignificant given the expected frequency and duration of exposure.

V. CONCLUSION FOR CA750

The appropriate status code to be entered for RCRAInfo event code CA750 (Migration of Groundwater Under Control) is NO. Contaminated groundwater is known to migrate towards and most likely beyond the facility boundary.

VI. SUMMARY OF FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS

Upgrades to the corrective measures program required by the permit renewal are intended and expected to control the migration of contaminated groundwater. Implementation of these measures is expected to be complete by April of 2004. Monitoring of remedy effectiveness will start in May 2004 through May 2005. Control of contaminated migration is expected to be achieved in June 2005.

VII. ENVIRONMENTAL INDICATOR PROJECT SCHEDULE

RCRA Info Event Code	Description of Event	Scheduled Date
PC200	Final determination to renewal post closure permit	9-25-2003
CA500	Updated CMI work plan approved	9-25-2003
	Implementation of approved remedies	10-2003 through 4-2004
CA550	Certification of remedy completion	4-30-2004
	Monitoring of remedy effectiveness	5-2004 through 5-2005
CA750YE	Migration of Contaminated Groundwater Controlled Determination	6-30-2005

- Attachments:
1. CA725: Current Human Exposures Under Control
 2. CA750: Migration of Contaminated Groundwater Under Control

NCS/Louisiana Pacific Corp. EI Memo

ATTACHMENT 1
DOCUMENTATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL INDICATOR DETERMINATION
RCRA Corrective Action
RCRAInfo Event Code (CA725)
Current Human Exposures Under Control

Facility Name: Louisiana Pacific Corporation
Facility Address: Lockhart Covington, Alabama
Facility EPA ID #: ALD 095 687 786

1. Has **all** available relevant/significant information on known and reasonably suspected releases to soil, groundwater, surface water/sediments, and air, subject to RCRA Corrective Action (e.g., from Solid Waste Management Units (SWMU), Regulated Units (RU), and Areas of Concern (AOC)), been **considered** in this EI determination?

If yes - check here and continue with #2 below,

If no - re-evaluate existing data, or

If data are not available skip to #6 and enter "IN" (more information needed) status code.

BACKGROUND

Definition of Environmental Indicators (for the RCRA Corrective Action)

Environmental Indicators (EI) are measures being used by the RCRA Corrective Action program to go beyond programmatic activity measures (e.g., reports received and approved, etc.) to track changes in the quality of the environment. The two EI developed to date indicate the quality of the environment in relation to current human exposures to contamination and the migration of contaminated groundwater. An EI for non-human (ecological) receptors is intended to be developed in the future.

Definition of "Current Human Exposures Under Control" EI

A positive "Current Human Exposures Under Control" EI determination ("YE" status code) indicates that there are no "unacceptable" human exposures to "contamination" (i.e., contaminants in concentrations in excess of appropriate risk-based levels) that can be reasonably expected under current land- and groundwater-use conditions (for all "contamination" subject to RCRA corrective action at or from the identified facility (i.e., site-wide)).

Relationship of EI to Final Remedies

While Final Remedies remain the long-term objective of the RCRA Corrective Action program the EI are near-term objectives which are currently being used as Program measures for the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993, (GPRA). The "Current Human Exposures Under Control" EI are for reasonably expected human exposures under current land- and groundwater-use conditions ONLY, and do not consider potential future land- or groundwater-use conditions or ecological receptors. The RCRA Corrective Action program's overall mission to protect human health and the environment requires that Final remedies address these issues (i.e., potential future human exposure scenarios, future land and groundwater uses, and ecological receptors).

Duration /Applicability of EI Determinations

EI Determinations status codes should remain in RCRAInfo national database ONLY as long as they remain true (i.e., RCRAInfo status codes must be changed when the regulatory authorities become aware of contrary information).

Are groundwater, soil, surface water, sediments, or air **media** known or reasonably suspected to be "**contaminated**"¹ above appropriately protective risk-based "levels" (applicable promulgated standards, as well as other appropriate standards, guidelines, guidance, or criteria) from releases subject to RCRA Corrective Action (from SWMUs, RUs or AOCs)?

Media	Yes	No	?	Rationale/Key Contaminants
Groundwater	X			Creosote, PCP, and SVOCs
Air (indoors) ²		X		
Surface Soil (e.g., <2 ft)	X			SVOCs
Surface Water	X			SVOCs
Sediment		X		
Subsurface Soil (e.g., >2 ft)		X		
Air (outdoors)		X		

_____ If no (for all media) - skip to #6, and enter "YE," status code after providing or citing appropriate "levels," and referencing sufficient supporting documentation demonstrating that these "levels" are not exceeded.

___ X ___ If yes (for any media) - continue after identifying key contaminants in each "contaminated" medium, citing appropriate "levels" (or provide an explanation for the determination that the medium could pose an unacceptable risk), and referencing supporting documentation.

_____ If unknown (for any media) - skip to #6 and enter "IN" status code.

Rationale and Reference(s):

Groundwater is contaminated with creosote, pentachlorophenol, and SVOCs. Surface soil is contaminated with SVOCs in the vicinity of Pond Creek and the former wood treating cylinders. Surface Water in the vicinity of Pond Creek is contaminated with SVOCs.

References:

1. GW performance evaluation report;
2. Part-B application and CS reports.
3. Groundwater Performance Evaluation Reports
4. Confirmatory Sampling report
5. Addendum to CS report

¹"Contamination" and "contaminated" describes media containing contaminants (in any form, NAPL and/or dissolved, vapors, or solids, that are subject to RCRA) in concentrations in excess of appropriately protective risk-based "levels" (for the media, that identify risks within the acceptable risk range).

²Recent evidence (from the Colorado Dept. of Public Health and Environment, and others) suggest that unacceptable indoor air concentrations are more common in structures above groundwater with volatile contaminants than previously believed. This is a rapidly developing field and reviewers are encouraged to look to the latest guidance for the appropriate methods and scale of demonstration necessary to be reasonably certain that indoor air (in structures located above (and adjacent to) groundwater with volatile contaminants) does not present unacceptable risks.

2. Are there **complete pathways** between “contamination” and human receptors such that exposures can be reasonably expected under the current (land- and groundwater-use) conditions?

Summary Exposure Pathway Evaluation Table							
Potential Human Receptors (Under Current Conditions)							
“Contaminated” Media	Residents	Workers	Day-Care	Construction	Trespassers	Recreation	Food
Groundwater	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Surface Soil (e.g., <2 ft)	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
Surface Water	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No

Instructions for Summary Exposure Pathway Evaluation Table:

1. For Media which are not “contaminated” as identified in #2, please strike-out specific Media, including Human Receptors’ spaces, or enter “N/C” for not contaminated.
2. Enter “yes” or “no” for potential “completeness” under each “Contaminated” Media -- Human Receptor combination (Pathway).

Note: In order to focus the evaluation to the most probable combinations some potential “Contaminated” Media - Human Receptor combinations (Pathways) do not have assigned spaces in the above table. While these combinations may not be probable in most situations they may be possible in some settings and should be added as necessary.

_____ If no (pathways are not complete for any contaminated media-receptor combination) - skip to #6, and enter “YE” status code, after explaining and/or referencing condition(s) in-place, whether natural or man-made, preventing a complete exposure pathway from each contaminated medium (e.g., use optional Pathway Evaluation Work Sheet to analyze major pathways).

X If yes (pathways are complete for any “Contaminated” Media - Human Receptor combination) - continue after providing supporting explanation.

_____ If unknown (for any “Contaminated” Media - Human Receptor combination) - skip to #6 and enter “IN” status code

Rationale and Reference(s):

Residential, daycare, and recreation exposure scenarios are not plausible given the current property use. Facility operations have been discontinued and site activities, including construction activities are limited to those associated with remediation. Pond Creek is not known to be a source of drinking water, nor is it of sufficient size and flow to support fishing or other recreational activities.

References:

1. GW performance evaluation report;
2. Part B permit application;
3. Confirmatory Sampling Report; and
4. Addendum to CS Report

4. Can the **exposures** from any of the complete pathways identified in #3 be reasonably expected to be "**significant**"³ (i.e., potentially "unacceptable" because exposures can be reasonably expected to be: 1) greater in magnitude (intensity, frequency and/or duration) than assumed in the derivation of the acceptable "levels" (used to identify the "contamination"); or 2) the combination of exposure magnitude (perhaps even though low) and contaminant concentrations (which may be substantially above the acceptable "levels") could result in greater than acceptable risks)?

 X If no (exposures cannot be reasonably expected to be significant (i.e., potentially "unacceptable") for any complete exposure pathway) - skip to #6 and enter "YE" status code after explaining and/or referencing documentation justifying why the exposures (from each of the complete pathways) to "contamination" (identified in #3) are not expected to be "significant."

 If yes (exposures could be reasonably expected to be "significant" (i.e., potentially "unacceptable") for any complete exposure pathway) - continue after providing a description (of each potentially "unacceptable" exposure pathway) and explaining and/or referencing documentation justifying why the exposures (from each of the remaining complete pathways) to "contamination" (identified in #3) are not expected to be "significant."

 If unknown (for any complete pathway) - skip to #6 and enter "IN" status code

Rationale and Reference(s):

Exposure of trespassers to surface soils is possible. However, facility representatives report no evidence to suggest that the facility is being accessed by trespassers. There is a fence along its northern border preventing authorized vehicle traffic onto the facility property. The site can be accessed on its southern, eastern, and western boundaries. However, these boundaries are heavily wooded with the nearest off-property structure being approximately 0.5 miles away. Exposure of trespassers to contaminated surface soils is expected to be insignificant given the facility's rural location.

References:

1. Part B application;
2. GW performance evaluation reports;
3. Confirmatory Sampling Report; and
4. Addendum to CS Report

5. Can the "significant" **exposures** (identified in #4) be shown to be within **acceptable** limits?

 If yes (all "significant" exposures have been shown to be within acceptable limits) - continue and enter "YE" after summarizing and referencing documentation justifying why all "significant" exposures to "contamination" are within acceptable limits (e.g., a site-specific Human Health Risk Assessment).

 If no (there are current exposures that can be reasonably expected to be "unacceptable")- continue and enter "NO" status code after providing a description of each potentially "unacceptable" exposure.

³If there is any question on whether the identified exposures are "significant" (i.e., potentially "unacceptable") consult a human health Risk Assessment specialist with appropriate education, training and experience.

_____ If unknown (for any potentially "unacceptable" exposure) - continue and enter "IN" status code.

Rationale and Reference(s):

6. Check the appropriate RCRA Info status codes for the Current Human Exposures Under Control EI event code (CA725), and obtain Supervisor (or appropriate Manager) signature and date on the EI determination below (and attach appropriate supporting documentation as well as a map of the facility):

X YE - Yes, "Current Human Exposures Under Control" has been verified. Based on a review of the information contained in this EI Determination, "Current Human Exposures" are expected to be "Under Control" at the Louisiana Pacific Corporation Lockhart EPA ID # ALD 095 687 786, located in Lockhart, Alabama under current and reasonably expected conditions. This determination will be re-evaluated when the Agency/State becomes aware of significant changes at the facility.

_____ NO - "Current Human Exposures" are NOT "Under Control."

_____ IN - More information is needed to make a determination.

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ATTACHMENT 2
DOCUMENTATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL INDICATOR DETERMINATION
RCRA Corrective Action
RCRAInfo Event Code (CA750)
Migration of Contaminated Groundwater Under Control

Facility Name: Louisiana Pacific Corporation
Facility Address: Lockhart, Covington, Alabama
Facility EPA ID #: ALD 095 687 786

1. Has **all** available relevant/significant information on known and reasonably suspected releases to the groundwater media, subject to RCRA Corrective Action (e.g., from Solid Waste Management Units (SWMU), Regulated Units (RU), and Areas of Concern (AOC)), been **considered** in this EI determination?

If yes - check here and continue with #2 below,

If no - re-evaluate existing data, or

If data are not available, skip to #8 and enter "IN" (more information needed) status code.

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Definition of "Migration of Contaminated Groundwater Under Control" EI

A positive "Migration of Contaminated Groundwater Under Control" EI determination ("YE" status code) indicates that the migration of "contaminated" groundwater has stabilized, and that monitoring will be conducted to confirm that contaminated groundwater remains within the original "area of contaminated groundwater" (for all groundwater "contamination" subject to RCRA corrective action at or from the identified facility (i.e., site-wide)).

Relationship of EI to Final Remedies

While Final Remedies remain the long-term objective of the RCRA Corrective Action program the EI are near-term objectives which are currently being used as Program measures for the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993, (GPRA). The "Migration of Contaminated Groundwater Under Control" EI pertains ONLY to the physical migration (i.e., further spread) of contaminated ground water and contaminants within groundwater (e.g., non-aqueous phase liquids or NAPLs). Achieving this EI does not substitute for achieving other stabilization or final remedy requirements and expectations associated with sources of contamination and the need to restore, wherever practicable, contaminated groundwater to be suitable for its designated current and future uses.

Duration/Applicability of EI Determinations

EI Determinations status codes should remain in RCRAInfo national database ONLY as long as they remain true (i.e., RCRAInfo status codes must be changed when the regulatory authorities become aware of contrary information).

2. Is **groundwater** known or reasonably suspected to be “**contaminated**”¹ above appropriately protective “levels” (i.e., applicable promulgated standards, as well as other appropriate standards, guidelines, guidance, or criteria) from releases subject to RCRA Corrective Action, anywhere at, or from, the facility?

If yes - continue after identifying key contaminants, citing appropriate “levels,” and referencing supporting documentation.

If no - skip to #8 and enter “YE” status code, after citing appropriate “levels,” and referencing supporting documentation to demonstrate that groundwater is not “contaminated.”

If unknown - skip to #8 and enter “IN” status code.

Rationale and Reference(s):

GW is contaminated with creosote, and pentachlorophenol and SVOCs.

References:

1. Part-B application; and
2. GW Performance Evaluation Report

3. Has the **migration** of contaminated groundwater **stabilized** such that contaminated groundwater is expected to remain within “existing area of contaminated groundwater”² as defined by the monitoring locations designated at the time of this determination?

If yes - continue, after presenting or referencing the physical evidence (e.g., groundwater sampling/measurement/migration barrier data) and rationale why contaminated groundwater is expected to remain within the (horizontal or vertical) dimensions of the “existing area of groundwater contamination”⁶.

If no (contaminated groundwater is observed or expected to migrate beyond the designated locations defining the “existing area of groundwater contamination”²) - skip to #8 and enter “NO” status code, after providing an explanation.

If unknown - skip to #8 and enter “IN” status code.

¹“Contamination” and “contaminated” describes media containing contaminants (in any form, NAPL and/or dissolved, vapors, or solids, that are subject to RCRA) in concentrations in excess of appropriate “levels” (appropriate for the protection of the groundwater resource and its beneficial uses).

²“existing area of contaminated groundwater” is an area (with horizontal and vertical dimensions) that has been verifiably demonstrated to contain all relevant groundwater contamination for this determination, and is defined by designated (monitoring) locations proximate to the outer perimeter of “contamination” that can and will be sampled/tested in the future to physically verify that all “contaminated” groundwater remains within this area, and that the further migration of “contaminated” groundwater is not occurring. Reasonable allowances in the proximity of the monitoring locations are permissible to incorporate formal remedy decisions (i.e., including public participation) allowing a limited area for natural attenuation.

Rationale and Reference(s):

References:

1. Part B application; and
 2. GW performance Evaluation Reports
4. Does “contaminated” groundwater **discharge** into **surface water** bodies?

_____ If yes - continue after identifying potentially affected surface water bodies.

_____ If no - skip to #7 (and enter a “YE” status code in #8, if #7 = yes) after providing an explanation and/or referencing documentation supporting that groundwater “contamination” does not enter surface water bodies.

_____ If unknown - skip to #8 and enter “IN” status code.

Rationale and Reference(s):

5. Is the **discharge** of “contaminated” groundwater into surface water likely to be “**insignificant**” (i.e., the maximum concentration⁸ of each contaminant discharging into surface water is less than 10 times their appropriate groundwater “level,” and there are no other conditions (e.g., the nature and number of discharging contaminants, or environmental setting) which significantly increase the potential for unacceptable impacts to surface water, sediments, or eco-systems at these concentrations)?

_____ If yes - skip to #7 (and enter “YE” status code in #8 if #7 = yes), after documenting: 1) the maximum known or reasonably suspected concentration⁸ of key contaminants discharged above their groundwater “level,” the value of the appropriate “level(s),” and if there is evidence that the concentrations are increasing; and 2) providing a statement of professional judgement/explanation (or reference documentation) supporting that the discharge of groundwater contaminants into the surface water is not anticipated to have unacceptable impacts to the receiving surface water, sediments, or eco-system.

_____ If no - (the discharge of “contaminated” groundwater into surface water is potentially significant) - continue after documenting: 1) the maximum known or reasonably suspected concentration⁸ of each contaminant discharged above its groundwater “level,” the value of the appropriate “level(s),” and if there is evidence that the concentrations are increasing; and 2) for any contaminants discharging into surface water in concentrations³ greater than 100 times their appropriate groundwater “levels,” providing the estimated total amount (mass in kg/yr) of each of these contaminants that are being discharged (loaded) into the surface water body (at the time of the determination), and identifying if there is evidence that the amount of discharging contaminants is increasing.

_____ If unknown - enter “IN” status code in #8.

³As measured in groundwater prior to entry to the groundwater-surface water/sediment interaction (e.g., hyporheic) zone.

Rationale and Reference(s):

6. Can the **discharge** of “contaminated” groundwater into surface water be shown to be “**currently acceptable**” (i.e., not cause impacts to surface water, sediments or eco-systems that should not be allowed to continue until a final remedy decision can be made and implemented⁴)?

_____ If yes - continue after either:

1) identifying the Final Remedy decision incorporating these conditions, or other site-specific criteria (developed for the protection of the site’s surface water, sediments, and eco-systems), and referencing supporting documentation demonstrating that these criteria are not exceeded by the discharging groundwater; OR

2) providing or referencing an interim assessment,⁵ appropriate to the potential for impact, that shows the discharge of groundwater contaminants into the surface water is (in the opinion of trained specialists, including ecologists) adequately protective of receiving surface water, sediments, and eco-systems, until such time when a full assessment and final remedy decision can be made. Factors which should be considered in the interim assessment (where appropriate to help identify the impact associated with discharging groundwater) include: surface water body size, flow, use/classification/habitats and contaminant loading limits, other sources of surface water/sediment contamination, surface water and sediment sample results and comparisons to available and appropriate surface water and sediment “levels,” as well as any other factors, such as effects on ecological receptors (e.g., via bio-assays/benthic surveys or site-specific ecological Risk Assessments), that the overseeing regulatory agency would deem appropriate for making the EI determination.

_____ If no - (the discharge of “contaminated” groundwater can not be shown to be “**currently acceptable**”) - skip to #8 and enter “NO” status code, after documenting the currently unacceptable impacts to the surface water body, sediments, and/or eco-systems.

_____ If unknown - skip to 8 and enter “IN” status code.

Rationale and Reference(s):

7. Will groundwater **monitoring** / measurement data (and surface water/sediment/ecological data, as necessary) be collected in the future to verify that contaminated groundwater has remained within the horizontal (or vertical, as necessary) dimensions of the “existing area of contaminated groundwater?”

⁴Note, because areas of inflowing groundwater can be critical habitats (e.g., nurseries or thermal refugia) for many species, appropriate specialist (e.g., ecologist) should be included in management decisions that could eliminate these areas by significantly altering or reversing groundwater flow pathways near surface water bodies.

⁵The understanding of the impacts of contaminated groundwater discharges into surface water bodies is a rapidly developing field and reviewers are encouraged to look to the latest guidance for the appropriate methods and scale of demonstration to be reasonably certain that discharges are not causing currently unacceptable impacts to the surface waters, sediments or eco-systems.

If yes - continue after providing or citing documentation for planned activities or future sampling/measurement events. Specifically identify the well/measurement locations which will be tested in the future to verify the expectation (identified in #3) that groundwater contamination will not be migrating horizontally (or vertically, as necessary) beyond the "existing area of groundwater contamination."

If no - enter "NO" status code in #8.

If unknown - enter "IN" status code in #8.

Rationale and Reference(s):

8. Check the appropriate RCRA Info status codes for the Migration of Contaminated Groundwater Under Control EI (event code CA750), and obtain Supervisor (or appropriate Manager) signature and date on the EI determination below (attach appropriate supporting documentation as well as a map of the facility).

YE - Yes, "Migration of Contaminated Groundwater Under Control" has been verified. Based on a review of the information contained in this EI determination, it has been determined that the "Migration of Contaminated Groundwater" is "Under Control" at the Louisiana Pacific Corporation facility, EPA ID # ALD 095 687 786, located at Lockhart, Alabama. Specifically, this determination indicates that the migration of "contaminated" groundwater is under control, and that monitoring will be conducted to confirm that contaminated groundwater remains within the "existing area of contaminated groundwater" This determination will be re-evaluated when the Agency becomes aware of significant changes at the facility.

NO - Unacceptable migration of contaminated groundwater is observed or expected.

IN - More information is needed to make a determination.

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