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Subject: Pre-CERCLIS Screening Assessment Score  
Sheet Metal Restoration  
NCN 000 410 573  
Asheville, Buncombe County, NC

Dear Ms. Callihan:

Sheet Metal Restoration (SMR) was identified by CTS Corporation as a potential alternative TCE source for groundwater contamination in the vicinity of the CTS site in a letter sent to Senator Burr and Congressmen Schuler, Donnelly and Souder on September 28, 2009. During initial searches, the address for Sheet Metal Restoration was listed as 39 Pinnars Cove Road, however, it was determined that the addresses along Pinnars Cove Road were renumbered during an update of the local 911 system and the current address is 60 Pinnars Cove Road. Mr. Mark Hermann purchased the property in 2003 and operated a sandblasting facility onsite until 2009 when he discontinued operating on a commercial basis. Mr. Hermann now operates more on a hobby basis. Mr. Hermann used urea, aluminum oxide and/or walnut shells to sandblast fiberglass and sheet metal. The previous owner of the site, Mr. Charles F. Adams, is reported to have operated a spray paint booth in one of the buildings, but this has not been verified.

During the site visit the housekeeping inside of the buildings was very good, however, outside the buildings small areas of stained soils were observed at several locations. The largest area was located behind the main building in the vicinity of the diesel fuel storage tank. Besides the diesel tank, two 55 gallon drums of gasoline and one drum of used motor oil were also located here. A partially dismantled vehicle was also located along the building.

Field screening of the soil vapor at the site identified two suspect areas of concern. One was in the vicinity of a suspected inactive septic field. The second was in the surface water runoff pathway from the main building area onsite. Soil samples and soil boring samples were collected from both areas and a background location. Since chlorinated solvents were the main chemicals of concern at this site, only Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) analysis was performed. Acetone (11ug/l) was the only contaminant detected in one soil boring from the runoff area.

