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Addendum 4: Transformer Investigation II

Lockheed Martin Middle River Complex, Middle River, Maryland

Dear Mr. Carroll:

For your review, please find enclosed two hard copies with CD of the above-referenced document. This addendum presents proposed exploratory activities in areas that were identified as possible transformer burial locations in Tax Block G at Lockheed Martin's Middle River Complex in Middle River, Maryland. If possible, w

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# Block G Soil Remedial Action Plan Addendum 4: Transformer Investigation II Lockheed Martin Middle River Complex 2323 Eastern Boulevard Middle River, Maryland

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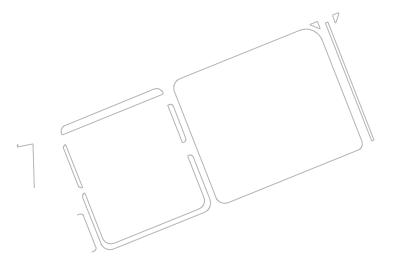
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## Previous Transformer Investigations

### 1.1 BACKGROUND - POTENTIAL DISPOSAL AREAS

Discussions with current Middle River Complex (MRC) employees identified two potential transformer disposal areas within Block G at the Middle River Complex (Figure 1-1) (Tetra Tech, Inc. [Tetra Tech], 2013). An excerpt from that interview follows:

"On July 7, 2011, Tetra Tech interviewed three Lockheed Martin personnel to obtain additional information regarding historical or existing subsurface utilities in Block G that might not have been mapped on the MRC utility drawing. During that interview, a current Middle River Complex etaicle(na)/4(val)/420.0027/e(+)/4()]Txh(s)/2(nep(l)/2(beat)/2(ie)/4(h)-8.7m)2(e4(r) two areas in Block G in the deads 41980s. Ooc&areClo.04Twv(w 0.240SaT9(e)/4n bur)-1(i)-2(e)/4i)-2D)2.1(u(s)



### 1.2 RECENT FINDINGS IN BLOCK G

### 1.2.1 June 2015

During the completion of the scheduled soil removal activity in Excavation Area J in Block G, parts for two electrical transformers were uncovered. The parts were found buried 2-3 feet below ground surface (bgs) northwest of Area J, in an area being cleared for placement of a stormwater bypass pipe. This area had not been identified as a possible disposal area during the previous geophysical survey because vegetation limited access and nearby concrete slabs caused interference. This transformer location, overlain on the geophysical survey results, is shown on Figure 1-2 below. Note that limited access areas are depicted in black on Figure 1-2.

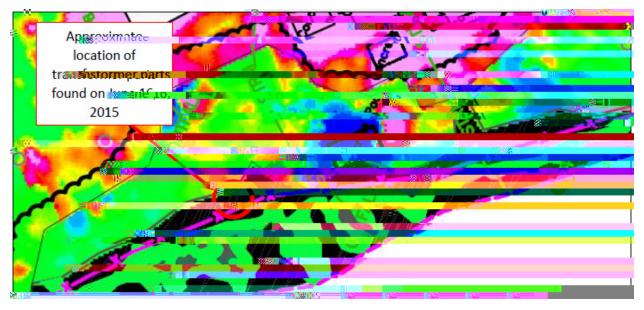


Figure 1-2

When found, the transformer parts and soil adjacent to the transformers were excavated and placed in covered roll-off boxes, pending the completion of analysis for polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) via United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Method 8082A. Four samples were collected and analyzed for PCBs. Samples G-TR-1 and G-TR-2 were collected from the holes from which the transformers were removed. Composite soil samples G-TR-WC1 and G-TR-WC2 were collected from soil placed in the roll-off boxes. The results of the analyses are in Table 1-1.

Aroclor-1260 was the only PCB mixture detected in the samples. One of four detections exceeds the USEPA regional screening levels (RSLs) for industrial soils, and two of four detections exceed

the USEPA RSLs for residential soils (established at the  $1\times10^{-6}$  cancer risk level). No detections exceed either RSL if set at the  $1\times10^{-5}$  risk level. These concentrations do not exceed the (Block E) soil remedial goal established for Aroclor 1260 in for the industrial worker (10 milligrams per kilogram [mg/kg], set at the  $1\times10^{-5}$  cancer risk level). In addition, the maximum Aroclor 1260 detection would not present an adverse non-cancer risk for the worker or for a resident. The residual risk assessment would not have targeted this area for remediation (for purposes of direct contact worker protection). This is not a significant direct-contact risk issue for the worker.

To further investigate the possible presence of transformers in Block G, the following investigations, noted in subsequent sections, were recommended in Addendum 2 of the remedial action plan (RAP) for Block G. The proposed investigations were adjacent to recently identified transformer-disposal location and other areas within Block G.

### 1.2.2 30 × 30 Foot Gird Area – September 2015

On September 16, 2016 additional exploratory activities began adjacent to Excavation Area J (Figure 1-3), as described in Addendum 2 of the (RAP) for Block G (Tetra Tech, 2015). A 30 feet by 30 feet area adjacent to the location where the transformer parts were found on June 16, 2015 was excavated. The 30×30-foot area extended north/northwest of Excavation Area J along the limits of the existing silt fence installed for the soil removal activities.

Metallic pieces associated with a possible transformer were discovered during these exploratory activities approximately four feet bgs, along the southern edge of the excavation area and adjacent to the temporary silt fence. These newly discovered metallic pieces were located approximately two feet southwest of the suspected transformer found on June 16, 2015 and at a depth approximately 2 to 3 feet deeper (Figure 1-3).

Two wipe samples (G-WC-XFRMR-W3 and G-WC-XFRMR-W4) were collected from the metallic pieces on September 17<sup>th</sup>, and were sent to an off-site laboratory for PCB analysis by Method 8082A. One sample (G-WC-XFROR-COMP) was also collected from the stockpiled soil and sent to an off-site laboratory for PCB analysis by Method 8082A and volatile organic compound (VOC) analysis by Method 8260B.

No metallic pieces or evidence of transformers was discovered in these test pit areas. All test pits were backfilled and restored at the end of each day's work. Restoration included regrading and seeding.



Figure 1-4 Potential Transformer Test Pit Exploration Boundaries

Table 1-1
PCB Results in Soil Samples Collected Near Transformer Parts

	G-TR-1	G-TR-2	G-TR-WC1	G-TR-WC2
SAMPLE ID				

### Table 1-2

### Summary of Soil Results and Wipe Samples from Transformer Investigation Samples Collected September 19, 2015 Lockheed Martin Middle River Complex, Middle River, Maryland Page 1 of 3

NSAMPLE LAB ID SAMPLE DATE SAMPLE TYPE

Volatile organic compounds (mg/kg)

### Table 1-2

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NSAMPLE	G-WC-XFRMR-		G-WC-XFRMR-W4
LAB ID	240-55592-3	240-55592-1	240-55592-2
SAMPLE DATE			
SAMPLE TYPE			
Volatile organic compounds (mg/kg)			

## Proposed Exploratory Activities

Two additional exploratory areas were identified as possible transformer burial locations following the September 2015 investigation. Proposed Area 1 is located within the current soil remedial-action limit of disturbance, and is an extension of the 30 foot × 30 foot area excavated in September 2015. This location was described in the July 11, 2011 interviews with site personnel as a possible burial area. Proposed Area 2 is southwest of the location where the transformer and metallic pieces were uncovered outside of the limit of disturbance. Figure 2-1 depicts the locations of both proposed areas.

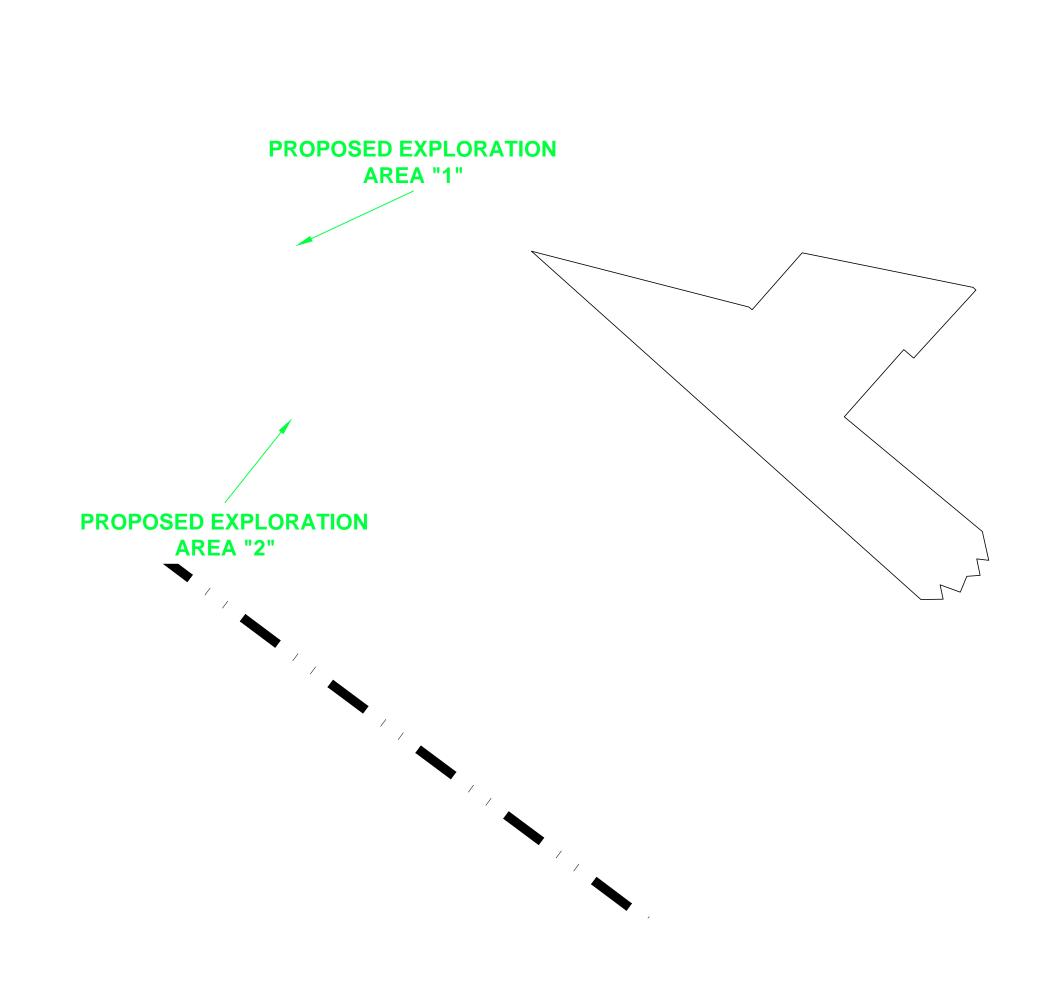
Area 1 has been cleared of dense vegetation, but brush clearance will be required in Area 2. Since Area 2 is outside of the limit of disturbance, the proper Baltimore County permits will be obtained before exploratory activities begin.

Before exploration activities start, a metal detector (magnetic pipe and cable locator) survey will be conducted in both areas to aid in the identification of possible anomalies before excavation. The survey equipment can detect metallic items at shallow depth and will help minimize potential disturbance of fluid-containing transformers, if present.

A series of test trenches will be excavated in Area 1 to explore for transformers. Excavated material will be staged adjacent to the trench and then used to backfill if no evidence of transformers is found.

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characterized. All soil samples collected during the progress of the work will be analyzed for polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) via Method 8082A and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) via Method 8260B, along with any analyses required for characterization and disposal. The transformer or transformer pieces will remain in the overpack drum pending further characterization. The investigation areas will be surveyed at completion, and recorded in the Block G construction report.



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