NOTICE OF INITIAL SITE INVESTIGATION AND TIER I PERMIT APPLICATION

CONSTRUCTION RUBBLE SITE – AREA A WESTOVER AIR RESERVE BASE, CHICOPEE, MA RELEASE TRACKING NUMBER 1-15422

Pursuant to the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (310 CMR 40.0480), an Initial Site Investigation has been performed at the above referenced location. A release of oil and/or hazardous materials has occurred at this location which is a disposal site (as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, Section 2). This site has been classified as Tier IC (310 CMR 40.0500), and an Initial Tier IC Permit Application was submitted on October 7, 2005 to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0703. A permit is required to proceed with a Comprehensive Response Actions at all Tier I sites.

Anyone interested in reviewing the Permit Application should contact Paul Kwiatkowski, P.E., 439 MSG/CEV, Westover Air Reserve Base, 250 Patriot Avenue, Suite 1, Chicopee, MA 01022-1670 at (413) 557-2541 to request a copy of the Permit Application. Interested persons may submit written comments related to the Permit Application within 21 days of the publication of this notice. The comments shall be submitted to (1) the Permit Applicant at the address provided above; and (2) the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup, 436 Dwight Street, Springfield, MA 01103 by mail or by hand delivery during normal office hours. Anyone who fails to notify DEP and the Applicant in writing of his/her interest in the Application within the specified timeframe may be deemed to have waived his/her rights, if any, to appeal a permit decision or to intervene in an adjudicatory proceeding with respect to this Application, pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0770.

M.G.L. c. 21 E and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan provide additional opportunities for public notice of or involvement in decisions regarding response actions at disposal sites: 1) The Chief Municipal Official and Board of Health of the community in which the site is located will be notified of major milestones and events pursuant to 310 CMR 40.1403; and 2) Upon receipt of a petition from ten or more residents of the municipality in which the disposal site is located, or of a municipality potentially affected by a disposal site, a plan for involving the public in decisions regarding response actions at the site will be prepared and implemented, pursuant to 310 CMR 40.1405.

To obtain more information on this disposal site and the opportunities for public involvement during its remediation, please contact Paul Kwiatkowski, P.E., Environmental Engineer, 439 MSG/CEV, Westover ARB, 250 Patriot Avenue, Suite 1, Chicopee, MA 01022-1670 at (413) 557-2541.