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August 29, 2006

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TO:

Closure Committee

FROM:

Dino Tsoris

SUBJECT:

Closure Request, Groundwater Project, Oscar Mayer, 910 Mayer Ave., Madison, WI

Closure Date: July 31, 2006

Priority: Chlorinated Solvents & Bedrock Contamination

Acres for Reuse: 54 acres

Background: In 1994, chlorinated compounds were detected in the production wells for Oscar Mayer, Inc. The depth of the production wells ranges from ~ 400-700 ft BGS with casing depths a minimum of ~270 ft BGS. An environmental site investigation was performed to determine the extent of contamination and the potential source of the chlorinated solvent contaminants.

While not addressed in the 1994 investigation or the 2006 closure request, a spill of chlorinated solvents from a former drum storage area is noteworthy for this closure request. A release of chlorinated solvents was identified in the drum storage area in 1986. In late 1987 and early 1988, approximately 110 cubic yards of contaminated soil was excavated from the area and treated on site. Chlorinated compounds detected in shallow soil samples (1.5-2.0' – 3-4' BGS) identified PCE at concentrations of 400 & 610 ppb The excavation extended to a depth of ~7.5 ft BGS. Other detected compounds included TCE and 1,2 – Dichloroethylene. Soil confirmation samples were only field screened; no samples were collected for laboratory analysis. No groundwater monitoring was conducted in this area. The exact location of the excavation is diffucult to identify but appears to be west of Building 28 (Warehouse B) and the Guard House (32B) closest monitoring well may be several hundred feet from the source area.

Geology- Nine groundwater monitoring wells were installed on the property. The highest levels of chlorinated solvents found in the groundwater were identified in groundwater collected from MW-1 & PZ-1. Subsequently, 11 soil borings were installed to determine if there was a potential source in proximity of MW-1 & PZ-1. Groundwater is present at five to eight feet BGS, groundwater flow direction is to the west, with the most recent flow direction measured to the south.

Investigation Results – No identified source of chlorinated solvent contamination was identified during the 1994 investigation, however, additional investigative activities as recommended in the 1994 report were not conducted. Residual groundwater contamination remains in the unconsolidated aquifer, primarily vinyl chloride at MW-1 & PZ-1at 14.0 ppb and 0.58 respectively. No source area was identified in the soils in proximity of MW-1/PZ-1. The residual vinyl chloride is likely a recalcitrant breakdown product of other chlorinated compounds.

Oscar Mayer production wells #4 and #6 are not in use and remain as backup for fire control. Production wells #2, #3 and #5 have been abandoned.

It appears that the chlorinated plume has stabilized and receded. The source of the chlorinated solvents has not been identified, off-site, potentials mentioned are Truax, Demetral, or on-site potential is the drum

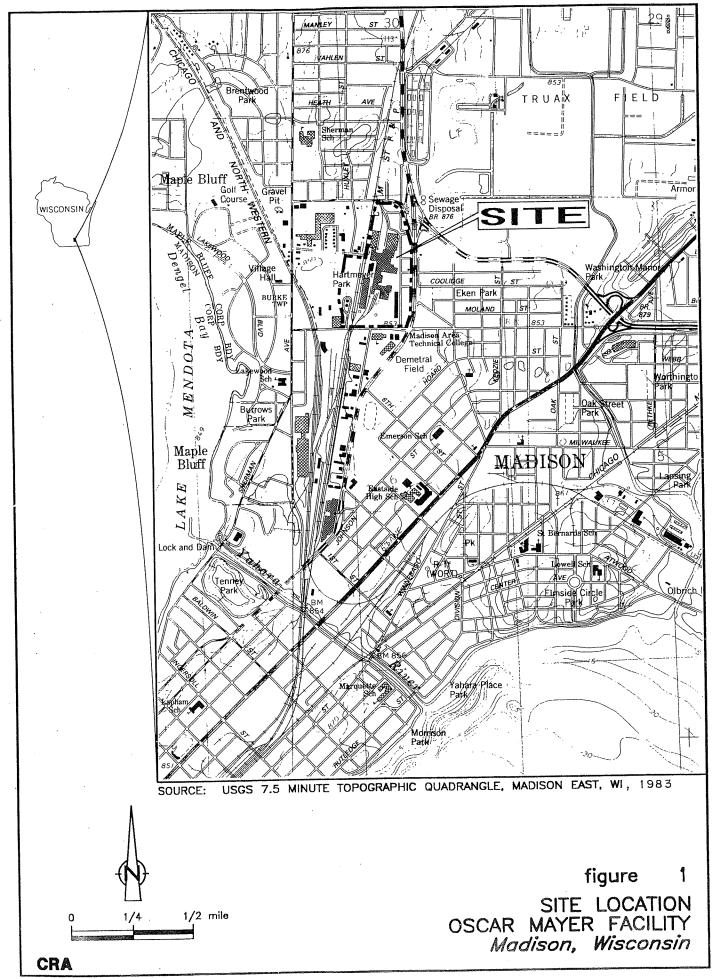


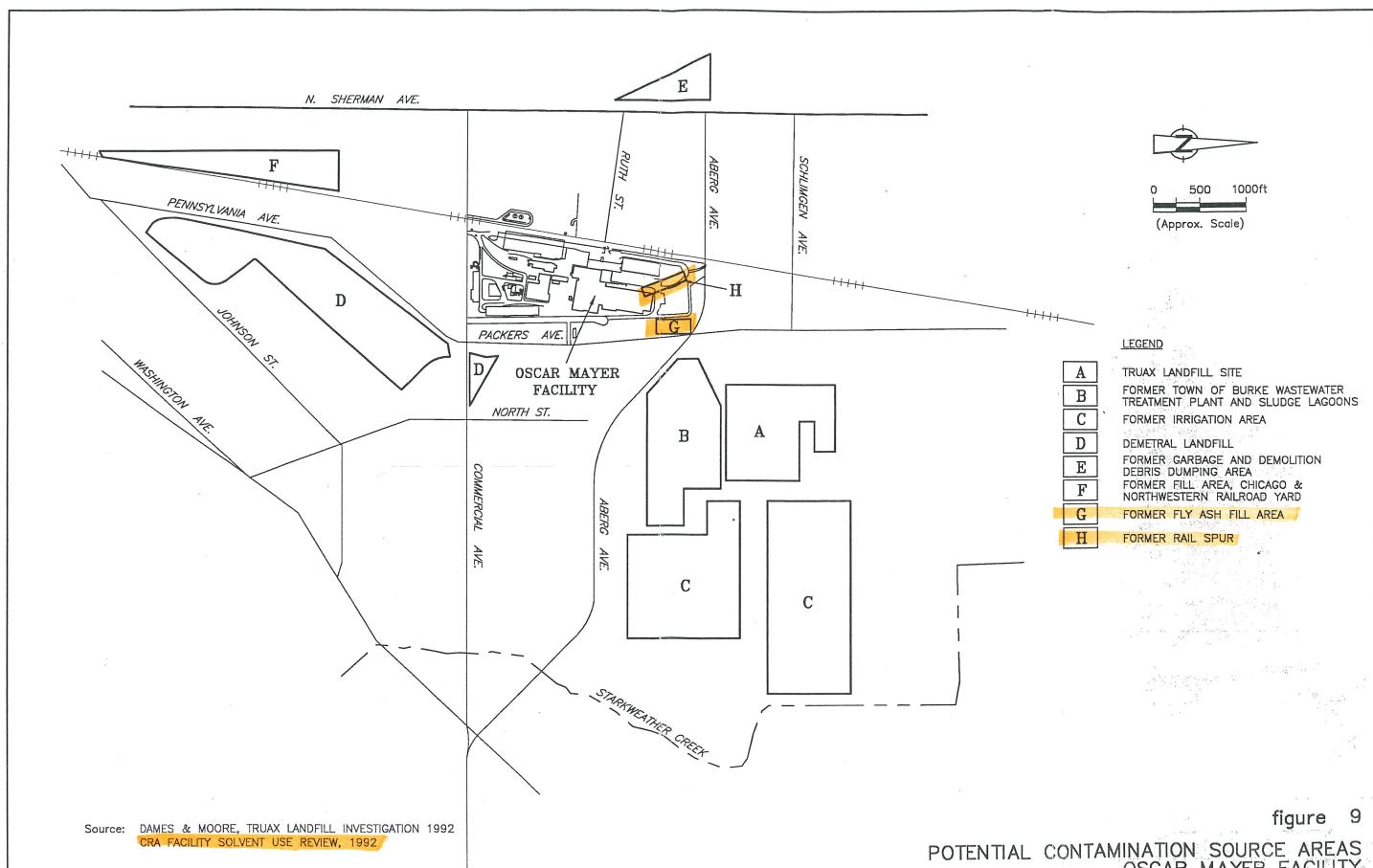
storage area or other unknown areas.

Oscar Mayer is requesting closure with a groundwater GIS listing.

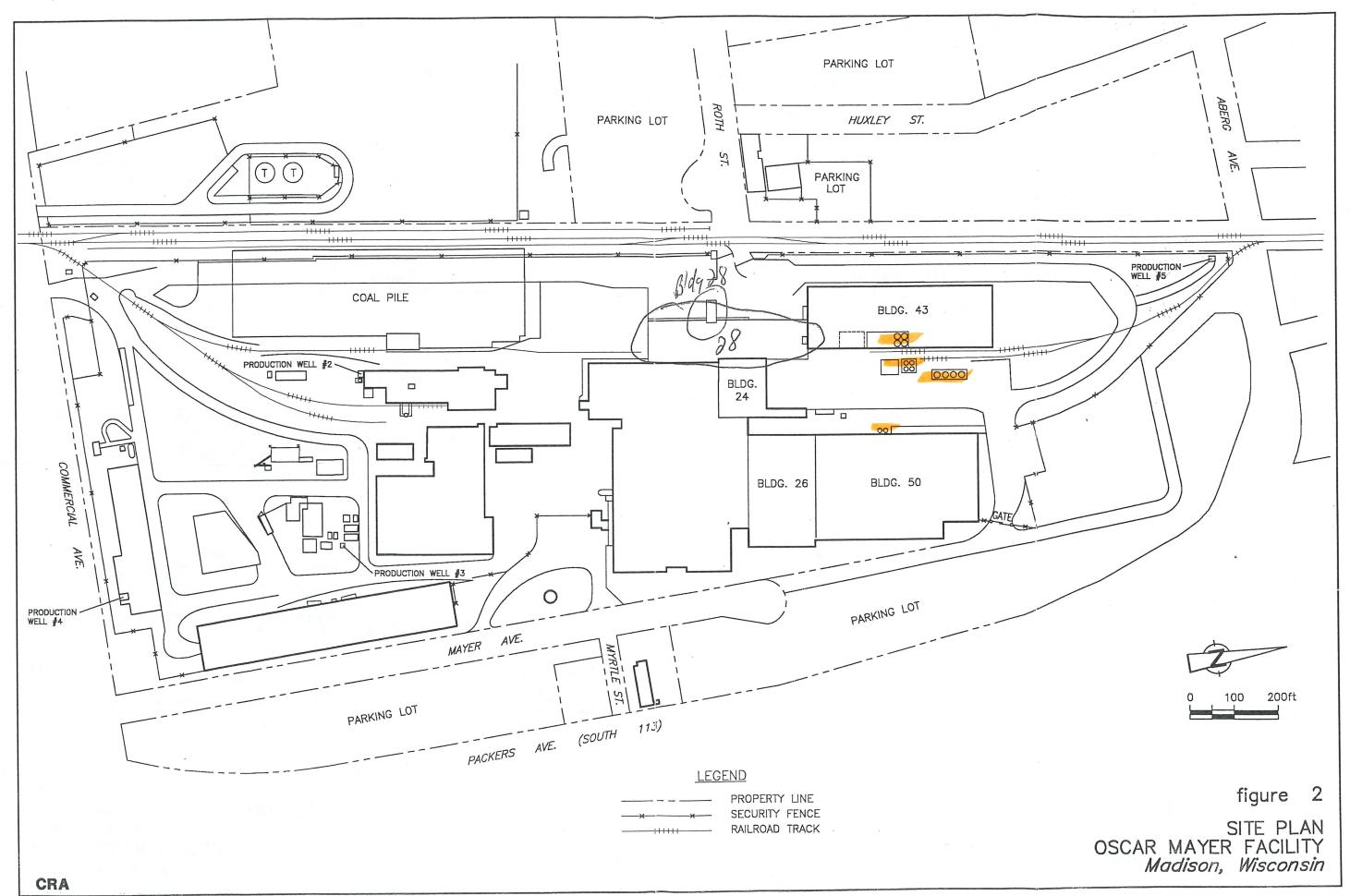
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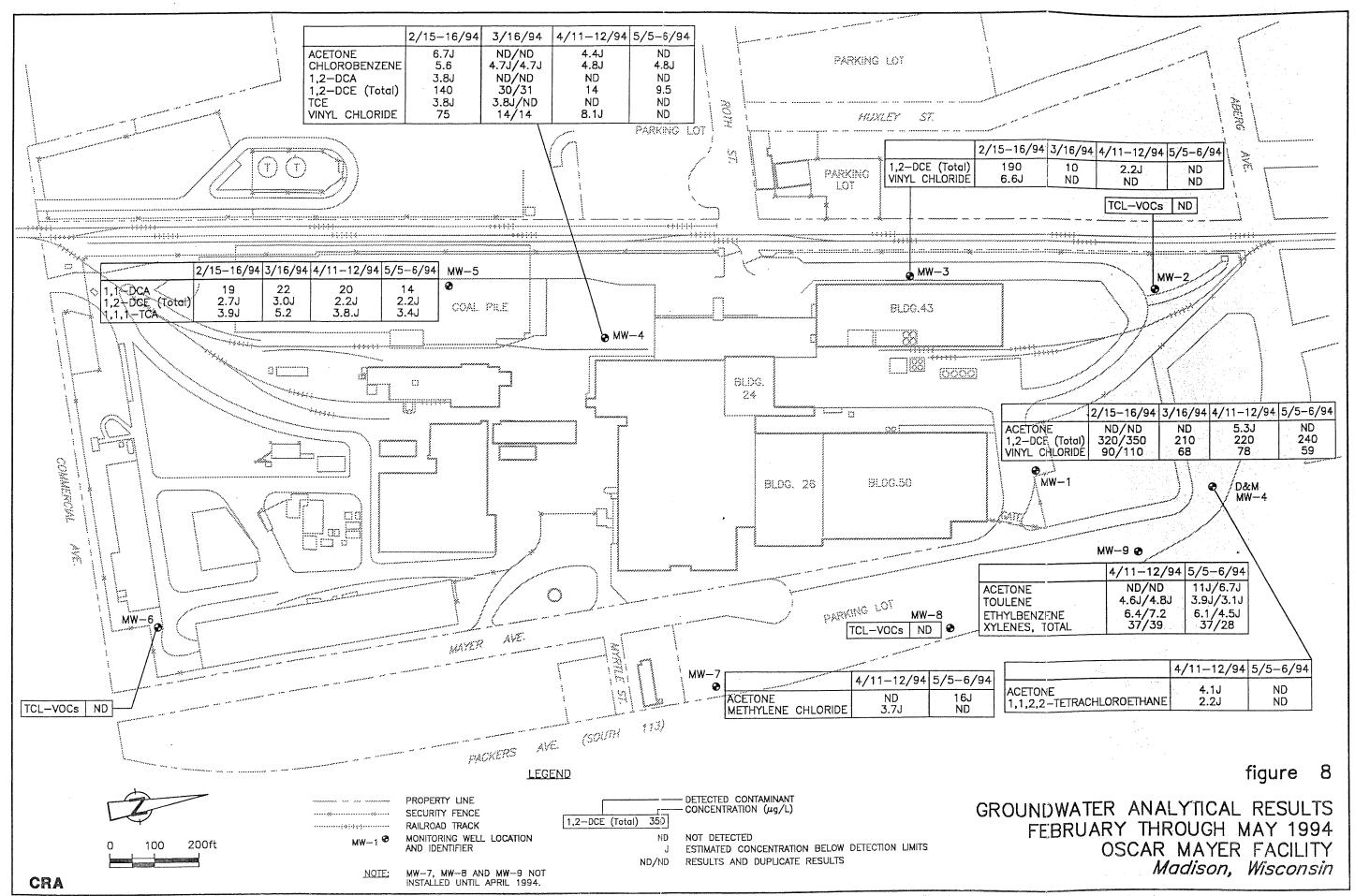
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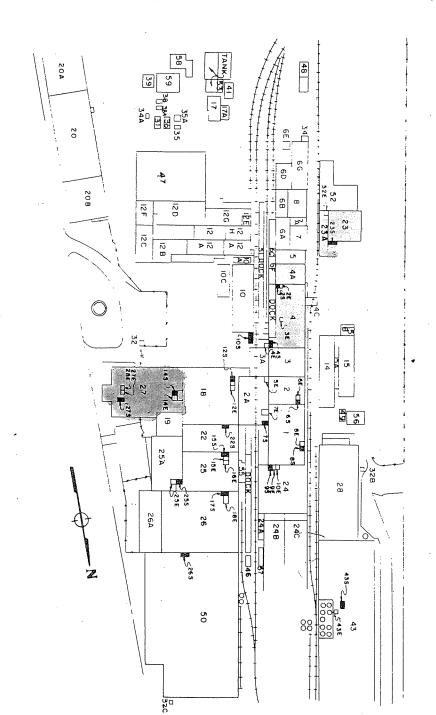


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