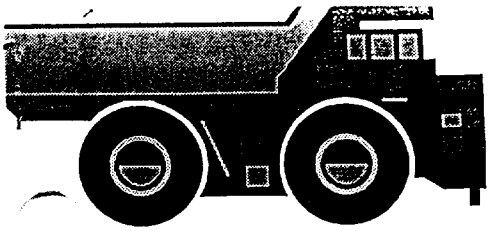

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Raymark Building Demolition Continues

Demolition of buildings #39 and 23 (condemned buildings) was completed on October 27. On October 30, demolition of buildings #16, 29, 30, and 40 will commence. Asbestos abatement continues to be performed ahead of the buildings to be demolished. Removal of miscellaneous debris such as lights, clothing and furniture proceeds in the buildings. Building debris is now taken off-site for disposal. Old tanks above and below ground will be emptied during the week of October 30. Demolition is expected to continue until February 1996.

Air Testing Results

Testing has not found asbestos or dust at unsafe levels. From Wednesday, October 11 to Tuesday, October 24, 132 asbestos air samples were collected from 8 fixed and 4 mobile property boundary stations. Three of these samples (2%) experienced mechanical problems resulting in unusable data. In addition, workers wear personal air testing devices. Testing is done during demolition and will continue until it is complete. Prior to demolition, sampling was conducted to establish existing air quality conditions. The air testing results are available at the town library.

Solvent Removal Continues

2,611 gallons of a solvent-water mix have been pumped out of the ground under the western part of Raymark. 20 gallons of solvent has been separated out. These liquids are temporarily stored in a tank and will be taken off-site for disposal. In addition, shallow and deep soil testing is being done to more carefully define the areas of solvent contamination. This information will help in the design of the final system to extract the solvent.

Status of Budget for Cleanup

Currently EPA is operating on a continuation of last year's budget. $44 million is still needed for demolition, solvent removal, and cap construction. Funding for the cleanup of the Raymark property will continue to be unknown until a new budget is passed. If continued funding is not available by late November, the site would be safely shutdown until work can continue.

Who to Contact With a Question or Problem?

EPA is working closely with the Stratford Health Department. To receive these bulletins, please give us your name and address. Questions or problems should be brought to our attention -- Health Department 385-4090, or EPA Hotline 380-6034.

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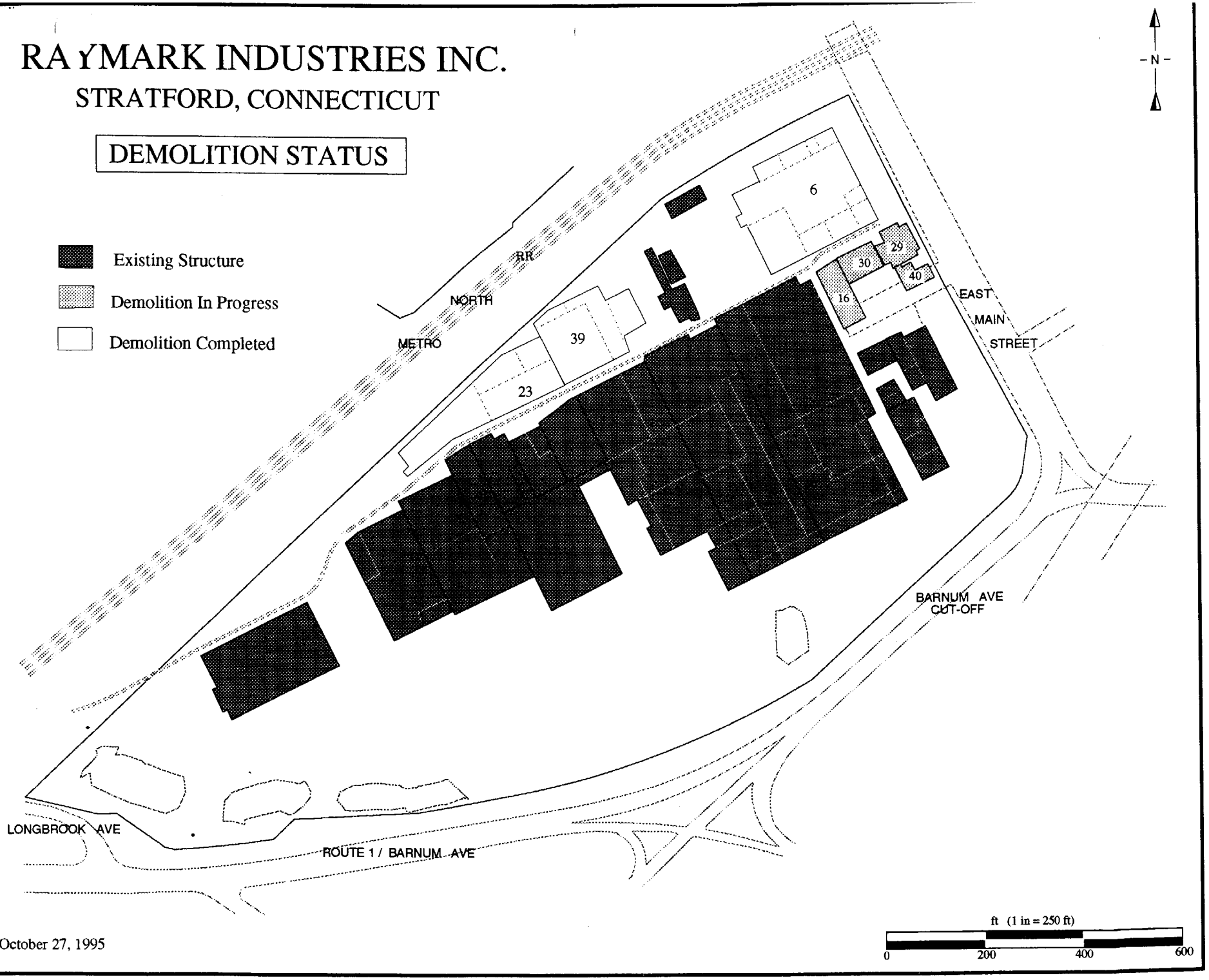

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