

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III

FINAL DECISION AND RESPONSE TO COMMENTS

Ashland, Inc. Roanoke, VA 24016 EPA ID NO. VAD 062 373 600

I. FINAL DECISION - Corrective Action Complete without Controls

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has determined that no further action is required to make this property suitable for any type of land use. This is based on our findings as detailed in the Statement of Basis (SB). This determination is consistent with EPA's February 2003 *Final Guidance on Completion of Corrective Action Activities at RCRA Facilities* (reference 68 FR 8757).

II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

On December 5, 2012, EPA proposed a determination of "Corrective Action Complete without Controls." Consistent with public participation provisions under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), EPA requested comments from the public on the proposed decision as described in the SB. The commencement of a thirty (30)-day public comment period was announced in Roanoke Times newspaper on December 5, 2012 and on the EPA Region III website. The public comment period ended on January 4, 2013.

III. RESPONSE TO COMMENTS

EPA received no comments on the proposal. Consequently, our final determination is unchanged from the proposal.

IV. AUTHORITY

EPA is issuing this Final Decision under the authority of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by RCRA, and the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (HSWA) of 1984, 42 U.S.C. Sections 6901 to 6992k.

V. DECLARATION

Based on the Administrative Record compiled for the Corrective Action at the Ashland Inc. facility, EPA has determined that the Final Remedy selected in this Final Decision and Response to Comments is protective of human health and the environment.

John A. Armstead, Director Land & Chemicals Division

U.S EPA Region III

Date