



MEMORANDUM

TO: Regional Haz. Waste Remediation Engineers, Bureau Dirs. & Section Chiefs
FROM: Michael J. O'Toole, Jr., Director, Div. of Hazardous Waste Remediation
SUBJECT: DIVISION TECHNICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDANCE MEMORANDUM:
DATE: DETERMINATION OF SOIL CLEANUP OBJECTIVES AND CLEANUP LEVELS

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The cleanup goal of the Department is to restore inactive hazardous waste sites to predisposal conditions, to the extent feasible and authorized by law. However, it is recognized that restoration to predisposal conditions will not always be feasible.

1. INTRODUCTION:

This TAGM provides a basis and procedure to determine soil cleanup levels at individual Federal Superfund, State Superfund, 1986 EQBA Title 3 and Responsible Party (RP) sites, when the Director of the DHWR determines that cleanup of a site to predisposal conditions is not possible or feasible.

The process starts with development of soil cleanup objectives by the Technology Section for the contaminants identified by the Project Managers. The Technology Section uses the procedure described in this TAGM to develop soil cleanup objectives. Attainment of these generic soil cleanup objectives will, at a minimum, eliminate all significant threats to human health and/or the environment posed by the inactive hazardous waste site. Project Managers should use these cleanup objectives in selecting alternatives in the Feasibility Study (FS). Based on the proposed selected remedial technology (outcome of FS), final site specific soil cleanup levels are established in the Record of Decision (ROD) for these sites.

It should be noted that even after soil cleanup levels are established in the ROD, these levels may prove to be unattainable when remedial construction begins. In that event, alternative remedial actions or institutional controls may be necessary to protect the environment.

2. BASIS FOR SOIL CLEANUP OBJECTIVES:

The following alternative bases are used to determine soil cleanup objectives:

- (a) Human health based levels that correspond to excess lifetime

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cancer risks of one in a million for Class A¹ and B² carcinogens, or one in 100,000 for Class C³ carcinogens. These levels are contained in USEPA's Health Effects Assessment Summary Tables (HEASTs) which are compiled and updated quarterly by the NYSDEC's Division of Hazardous Substances Regulation;

- (b) Human health based levels for systemic toxicants, calculated from Reference Doses (RfDs). RfDs are an estimate of the daily exposure an individual (including sensitive individuals) can experience without appreciable risk of health effects during a lifetime. An average scenario of exposure in which children ages one to six (who exhibit the greatest tendency to ingest soil) is assumed. An intake rate of 0.2 gram/day for a five-year exposure period for a 16-kg child is assumed. These levels are contained in USEPA's Health Effects Assessment Summary Tables (HEASTs) which are compiled and updated quarterly by the NYSDEC's Division of Hazardous Substances Regulation;
- (c) Environmental concentrations which are protective of groundwater/drinking water quality; based on promulgated or proposed New York State Standards;
- (d) Background values for contaminants; and
- (e) Detection limits.

A recommendation on the appropriate cleanup objective is based on the criterion that produces the most stringent cleanup level using criteria a, b, and c for organic chemicals, and criteria a, b, and d for heavy metals. If criteria a and/or b are below criterion d for a contaminant, its background value should be used as the cleanup objective. However, cleanup objectives developed using this approach must be, at a minimum, above the method detection limit (MDL) and it is preferable to have the soil cleanup objectives above the Contract Required Quantitation Limit (CRQL) as defined by NYSDEC. If the cleanup objective of a compound is "non-detectable", it should mean that it is not detected at the MDL. Efforts should be made to obtain the best MDL detection possible when selecting a laboratory and analytical protocol.

The water/soil partitioning theory is used to determine soil cleanup objectives which would be protective of groundwater/drinking water quality for its best use. This theory is conservative in nature and assumes that contaminated soil and groundwater are in direct contact. This theory is based upon the ability of organic matter in soil to adsorb organic chemicals. The approach predicts the maximum amount of contamination that may remain in soil so that leachate from the contaminated soil will not violate groundwater and/or drinking water

standards.

- (1) Class A are proved human carcinogens
- (2) Class B are probable human carcinogens
- (3) Class C are possible human carcinogens

This approach is not used for heavy metals, which do not partition appreciably into soil organic matter. For heavy metals, eastern USA or New York State soil background values may be used as soil cleanup objectives. A list of values that have been tabulated is attached. Soil background data near the site, if available, is preferable and should be used as the cleanup objective for such metals. Background samples should be free from the influences of this site and any other source of contaminants. Ideal background samples may be obtained from uncontaminated upgradient and upwind locations.

3. DETERMINATION OF SOIL CLEANUP GOALS FOR ORGANICS IN SOIL FOR PROTECTION OF WATER QUALITY

Protection of water quality from contaminated soil is a two-part problem. The first is predicting the amount of contamination that will leave the contaminated media as leachate. The second part of the problem is to determine how much of that contamination will actually contribute to a violation of groundwater standards upon reaching and dispersing into groundwater. Some of the contamination which initially leaches out of soil will be absorbed by other soil before it reaches groundwater. Some portion will be reduced through natural attenuation or other mechanism.

PART A: PARTITION THEORY MODEL

There are many test and theoretical models which are used to predict leachate quality given a known value of soil contamination. The Water-Soil Equilibrium Partition Theory is used as a basis to determine soil standard or contamination limit for protection of water quality by most of the models currently in use. It is based on the ability of organic carbon in soil to adsorb contamination. Using a water quality value which may not be exceeded in leachate and the partition coefficient method, the equilibrium concentration (Cs) will be expressed in the same units as the water standards. The following expression is used:

$$\text{Allowable Soil Concentration } C_s = f \times K_{oc} \times C_w \dots (1)$$

Where: f = fraction of organic carbon of the natural soil medium.

Koc = partition coefficient between water and soil media. Koc can be estimated by the following equation:

$$\log Koc = 3.64 - 0.55 \log S$$

S = water solubility in ppm

Cw = appropriate water quality value from TOGS 1.1.1

Most Koc and S values are listed in the Exhibit A-1 of the USEPA Superfund Public Health Evaluation Manual (EPA/540/1-86/060). The Koc values listed in this manual should be used for the purpose. If the Koc value for a contaminant is not listed, it should be estimated using the above mentioned equation.

PART B: PROCEDURE FOR DETERMINATION OF SOIL CLEANUP OBJECTIVES

When the contaminated soil is in the unsaturated zone above the water table, many mechanisms are at work that prevent all of the contamination that would leave the contaminated soil from impacting groundwater. These mechanisms occur during transport and may work simultaneously. They include the following: (1) volatility, (2) sorption and desorption, (3) leaching and diffusion, (4) transformation and degradation, and (5) change in concentration of contaminants after reaching and/or mixing with the groundwater surface. To account for these mechanisms, a correction factor of 100 is used to establish soil cleanup objectives. This value of 100 for the correction is consistent with the logic used by EPA in its Dilution Attenuation Factor (DAF) approach for EP Toxicity and TCLP. (Federal Register/Vol. 55, No. 61, March 29, 1990/Pages 11826-27). Soil cleanup objectives are calculated by multiplying the allowable soil concentration by the correction factor. If the contaminated soil is very close (<3' - 5') to the groundwater table or in the groundwater, extreme caution should be exercised when using the correction factor of 100 (one hundred) as this may not give conservative cleanup objectives. For such situations the Technology Section should be consulted for site-specific cleanup objectives.

Soil cleanup objectives are limited to the following maximum values. These values are consistent with the approach promulgated by the States of Washington and Michigan.

- 1) Total VOCs \leq 10 ppm.
- 2) Total Semi VOCs \leq 500 ppm.
- 3) Individual Semi VOCs \leq 50 ppm.
- 4) Total Pesticides \leq 10 ppm.

One concern regarding the semi-volatile compounds is that some of these compounds are so insoluble that their Cs values are fairly large. Experience (Draft TOGS on Petroleum

Contaminated Soil Guidance) has shown that soil containing some of these insoluble substances at high concentrations can exhibit a distinct odor even though the substance will not leach from the soil. Hence any time a soil exhibits a discernible odor nuisance, it shall not be considered clean even if it has met the numerical criteria.

4. DETERMINATION OF FINAL CLEANUP LEVELS:

Recommended soil cleanup objectives should be utilized in the development of final cleanup levels through the Feasibility Study (FS) process. During the FS, various alternative remedial actions developed during the Remedial Investigation (RI) are initially screened and narrowed down to the list of potential alternative remedial actions that will be evaluated in detail. These alternative remedial actions are evaluated using the criteria discussed in TAGM 4030, Selection of Remedial Actions at Inactive Hazardous Waste Sites, revised May 15, 1990, and the preferred remedial action will be selected. After the detailed evaluation of the preferred remedial action, the final cleanup levels which can be actually achieved using the preferred remedial action must be established. Remedy selection, which will include final cleanup levels, is the subject of TAGM 4030.

Recommended soil cleanup objectives that have been calculated by the Technology Section are presented in Appendix A. These objectives are based on a soil organic carbon content of 1% (0.01) and should be adjusted for the actual organic carbon content if it is known. For determining soil organic carbon content, use attached USEPA method (Appendix B). Please contact the Technology Section, Bureau of Program Management for soil cleanup objectives not included in Appendix A.

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APPENDIX A
TABLE 1
Recommended soil cleanup objectives (mg/kg or ppm)
Volatile Organic Contaminants

Contaminant	Partition coefficient Koc	Groundwater Standards/ Criteria C _w ug/l or ppb.	a Allowable Soil conc. ppm. C _s	b Soil Cleanup objectives to Protect GW Quality (ppm)	** USEPA Health Based (ppm)		CRQL (ppb)	*** Rec. soil Cleanup Obj: (ppm)
					Carcinogens	Systemic Toxicants		
Acetone	2.2	50	0.0011	0.11	N/A	8,000	10	0.2
Benzene	83	0.7	0.0006	0.06	24	N/A	5	0.06
Benzoic Acid	54*	50	0.027	2.7	N/A	300,000	5	2.7
2-Butanone	4.5*	50	0.003	0.3	N/A	4,000	10	0.3
Carbon Disulfide	54*	50	0.027	2.7	N/A	8,000	5	2.7
Carbon Tetrachloride	110*	5	0.006	0.6	5.4	60	5	0.6
Chlorobenzene	330	5	0.017	1.7	N/A	2,000	5	1.7
Chloroethane	37*	50	0.019	1.9	N/A	N/A	10	1.9
Chloroform	31	7	0.003	0.30	114	800	5	0.3
Dibromochloromethane	N/A	50	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	5	N/A
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	1,700	4.7	0.079	7.9	N/A	N/A	330	7.9
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	310 *	5	0.0155	1.55	N/A	N/A	330	1.6
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	1,700	5	0.085	8.5	N/A	N/A	330	8.5
1,1-Dichloroethane	30	5	0.002	0.2	N/A	N/A	5	0.2
1,2-Dichloroethane	14	5	0.001	0.1	7.7	N/A	5	0.1
1,1-Dichloroethene	65	5	0.004	0.4	12	700	5	0.4
1,2-Dichloroethene(trans)	59	5	0.003	0.3	N/A	2,000	5	0.3
1,3-dichloropropane	51	5	0.003	0.3	N/A	N/A	5	0.3
Ethylbenzene	1,100	5	0.055	5.5	N/A	8,000	5	5.5
113 Freon(1,1,2 Trichloro- 1,2,2 Trifluoroethane)	1,230*	5	0.060	6.0	N/A	200,000	5	6.0
Methylene chloride	21	5	0.001	0.1	93	5,000	5	0.1
4-Methyl-2-Pentanone	19*	50	0.01	1.0	N/A	N/A	10	1.0
Tetrachloroethene	277	5	0.014	1.4	14	800	5	1.4
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	152	5	0.0076	0.76	N/A	7,000	5	0.8
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	118	5	0.006	0.6	35	N/A	5	0.6
1,2,3-trichloropropane	68	5	0.0034	0.34	N/A	80	5	0.4
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	670 *	5	0.034	3.4	N/A	N/A	330	3.4
Toluene	300	5	0.015	1.5	N/A	20,000	5	1.5
Trichloroethene	126	5	0.007	0.70	64	N/A	5	0.7
Vinyl chloride	57	2	0.0012	0.12	N/A	N/A	10	0.2
Xylenes	240	5	0.012	1.2	N/A	200,000	—	1.2

a. Allowable Soil Concentration $C_s = f \times C_w \times K_{oc}$

b. Soil cleanup objective = $C_s \times$ Correction Factor (CF)

N/A is not available

* Partition coefficient is calculated by using the following equation:
 $\log K_{oc} = -0.55 \log S + 3.64$, where S is solubility in water in ppm.
All other Koc values are experimental values.

** Correction Factor (CF) of 100 is used as per TAGM #4046

*** As per TAGM #4046, Total VOCs < 10 ppm.

Note: Soil cleanup objectives are developed for soil organic carbon content (f) of 1% and should be adjusted for the actual soil organic carbon content if it is known.

APPENDIX A (cont.)
 TABLE 2
 Recommended Soil Cleanup Objectives (mg/kg or ppm)
 Semi-Volatile Organic Contaminants

Contaminant	Partition coefficient Koc	Groundwater Standards/ Criteria C _w ug/l or ppb.	a	b	USEPA Health Based (ppm)		CERL (ppb)	Rec.soil Cleanup Object. (ppm)
			Allowable Soil conc. ppm. C _s	Soil Cleanup objectives to Protect GW Quality (ppm)	Carcinogens	Systemic Toxicants		
Acenaphthene	4,600	20	0.9	90.0	N/A	5,000	330	50.0***
Acenaphthylene	2,056*	20	0.41	41.0	N/A	N/A	330	41.0
Aniline	13.8	5	0.001	0.1	123	N/A	330	0.1
Anthracene	14,000	50	7.00	700.0	N/A	20,000	330	50.0***
Benzo(a)anthracene	1,380,000	0.002	0.03	3.0	0.224	N/A	330	0.224 or MDL
Benzo(a)pyrene	5,500,000	0.002(MD)	0.110	11.0	0.0609	N/A	330	0.061 or MDL
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	550,000	0.002	0.011	1.1	N/A	N/A	330	1.1
Benzo(g,h,i)perylene	1,600,000	5	8.0	800	N/A	N/A	330	50.0***
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	550,000	0.002	0.011	1.1	N/A	N/A	330	1.1
Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	8,706*	50	4.35	435.0	50	2,000	330	50.0***
Butylbenzylphthalate	2,430	50	1.215	122.0	N/A	20,000	330	50.0***
Chrysene	200,000	0.002	0.004	0.4	N/A	N/A	330	0.4
4-Chloroaniline	43 ****	5	0.0022	0.22	200	300	330	0.220 or MDL
4-Chloro-3-methylphenol	47	5	0.0024	0.24	N/A	N/A	330	0.240 or MDL
2-Chlorophenol	15*	50	0.008	0.8	N/A	400	330	0.8
Dibenzofuran	1,230*	5	0.062	6.2	N/A	N/A	330	6.2
Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene	33,000,000	50	1,650	165,000	0.0143	N/A	330	0.014 or MDL
3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2,4-Dichlorophenol	380	1	0.004	0.4	N/A	200	330	0.4
2,4-Dinitrophenol	38	5	0.002	0.2	N/A	200	1,600	0.200 or MDL
2,6 Dinitrotoluene	198*	5	0.01	1.0	1.03	N/A	330	1.0
Diethylphthalate	142	50	0.071	7.1	N/A	60,000	330	7.1
Dimethylphthalate	40	50	0.020	2.0	N/A	80,000	330	2.0
Di-n-butyl phthalate	162*	50	0.081	8.1	N/A	8,000	330	8.1
Di-n-octyl phthalate	2,346*	50	1.2	120.0	N/A	2,000	330	50.0***
Fluoranthene	38,000	50	19	1900.0	N/A	3,000	330	50.0***
Fluorene	7,300	50	3.5	350.0	N/A	3,000	330	50.0***
Hexachlorobenzene	3,900	0.35	0.014	1.4	0.41	60	330	0.41
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	1,600,000	0.002	0.032	3.2	N/A	N/A	330	3.2
Isophorone	88.31*	50	0.044	4.40	1,707	20,000	330	4.40
2-methylnaphthalene	727*	50	0.364	36.4	N/A	N/A	330	36.4
2-Methylphenol	15	5	0.001	0.1	N/A	N/A	330	0.100 or MDL
4-Methylphenol	17	50	0.009	0.9	N/A	4,000	330	0.9
Naphthalene	1,300	10	0.130	13.0	N/A	300	330	13.0
Nitrobenzene	36	5	0.002	0.2	N/A	40	330	0.200 or MDL
2-Nitroaniline	86	5	0.0043	0.43	N/A	N/A	1,600	0.430 or MDL
2-Nitrophenol	65	5	0.0033	0.33	N/A	N/A	330	0.330 or MDL
4-Nitrophenol	21	5	0.001	0.1	N/A	N/A	1,600	0.100 or MDL
3-Nitroaniline	93	5	0.005	0.5	N/A	N/A	1,600	0.500 or MDL
Pentachlorophenol	1,022	1	0.01	1.0	N/A	2,000	1,600	1.0 or MDL
Phenanthrene	4,365*	50	2.20	220.0	N/A	N/A	330	50.0***
Phenol	27	1	0.0003	0.03	N/A	50,000	330	0.03 or MDL
Pyrene	13,295*	50	6.65	665.0	N/A	2,000	330	50.0***
2,4,5-Trichlorophenol	89*	1	0.001	0.1	N/A	8,000	330	0.1

- a. Allowable Soil Concentration $C_s = f \times C_w \times K_{oc}$
- b. Soil cleanup objective = $C_s \times$ Correction Factor (CF)

N/A is not available
 MDL is Method Detection Limit

- Partition coefficient is calculated by using the following equation:
 $\log K_{oc} = -0.55 \log S + 3.64$, where S is solubility in water in ppm. Other K_{oc} values are experimental values.
- ⇒ Correction Factor (CF) of 100 is used as per TAGM #4046
- ⇒ As per TAGM #4046, Total VOCs < 10 ppm., Total Semi-VOCs < 500 ppm. and Individual Semi-VOCs < 50 ppm.
- ⇒ K_{oc} is derived from the correlation $K_{oc} = 0.63 K_{ow}$ (Determining Soil Response Action Levels..... EPA/540/2-89/057). K_{ow} is obtained from the USEPA computer database 'RAIN'.

Note: Soil cleanup objectives are developed for soil organic carbon content (f) of 1%, and should be adjusted for the actual soil organic carbon content if it is known.

APPENDIX A (cont.)
 TABLE 3
 Recommended soil cleanup objectives (ug/kg or ppm)
 Organic Pesticides / Herbicides and PCBs

Contaminant	Partition coefficient Koc	Groundwater Standards/ Criteria Cw ug/l or ppb.	a Allowable Soil conc. ppm. Cs	b Soil Cleanup objectives to Protect GW Quality (ppm)	** USEPA Health Based (ppm)		CRGI (ppb)	*** Rec. soil Cleanup Object (ppm)
					Carcinogens	Systemic Toxicants		
Aldrin	96,000	ND(<0.01)	0.005	0.5	0.041	2	8	0.041
alpha - BHC	3,800	ND(<0.05)	0.002	0.2	0.111	N/A	8	0.11
beta - BHC	3,800	ND(<0.05)	0.002	0.2	3.89	N/A	8	0.2
delta - BHC	6,600	ND(<0.05)	0.003	0.3	N/A	N/A	8	0.3
Chlordane	21,305*	0.1	0.02	2.0	0.54	50	80	0.54
2,4-b	104*	4.4	0.005	0.5	N/A	800	800	0.5
4,4'-DDD	770,000*	ND(<0.01)	0.077	7.7	2.9	N/A	16	2.9
4,4'-DDE	440,000*	ND(<0.01)	0.0440	4.4	2.1	N/A	16	2.1
4,4'-DDT	243,000*	ND(<0.01)	0.025	2.5	2.1	40	16	2.1
Dibenzo-P-dioxins(PCDD)								
2,3,7,8 TCDD	1709800	0.000035	0.0006	0.06	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Dieldrin	10,700*	ND(<0.01)	0.0010	0.1	0.044	4	16	0.044
Endosulfan I	8,168*	0.1	0.009	0.9	N/A	N/A	16	0.9
Endosulfan II	8,031*	0.1	0.009	0.9	N/A	N/A	16	0.9
Endosulfan Sulfate	10,038*	0.1	0.01	1.0	N/A	N/A	16	1.0
Endrin	9,157*	ND(<0.01)	0.001	0.1	N/A	20	8	0.10
Endrin keytone	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
gamma - BHC (Lindane)	1,080	ND(<0.05)	0.0006	0.06	5.4	20	8	0.06
gamma - chlordane	140,000	0.1	0.14	14.0	0.54	5	80	0.54
Heptachlor	12,000	ND(<0.01)	0.0010	0.1	0.16	40	8	0.10
Heptachlor epoxide	220	ND(<0.01)	0.0002	0.02	0.077	0.8	8	0.02
Methoxychlor	25,637	35.0	9.0	900	N/A	400	80	***
Mitotane	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Parathion	760	1.5	0.012	1.2	N/A	500	8	1.2
PCBs	17,510*	0.1	0.1	10.0	1.0	N/A	160	1.0(Surfac 10(sub-sur
Polychlorinated dibenzo- furans(PCDF)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Silvex	2,600	0.26	0.007	0.7	N/A	600	330	0.7
2,4,5-T	53	35	0.019	1.9	N/A	200	330	1.9

a. Allowable Soil Concentration Cs = f x Cw x Koc

b. Soil cleanup objective = Cs x Correction Factor (CF)

N/A is not available

- * Partition coefficient is calculated by using the following equation:
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 All other Koc values are experimental values.

** Correction Factor (CF) of 100 is used as per TAGH #4046

*** As per TAGH #4046, Total Pesticides < 10 ppm.

Note: Soil cleanup objectives are developed for soil organic carbon content (f) of 1% (5% for PCBs as per PCB guidance document), and should be adjusted for the actual soil organic Carbon content if it is known.

APPENDIX A
TABLE 4

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Recommended Soil Cleanup Objectives (mg/kg or ppm) for Heavy Metals

Contaminants	Protect Water Quality ppm	Eastern USA Background ppm	CRDL mg/kg or ppm	Rec. soil Cleanup Objct. (ppm)
Aluminum	N/A	33,000	2.0	SB
Antimony	N/A	N/A	0.6	SB
Arsenic	N/A	3-12 **	0.1	7.5 or SB
Barium	N/A	15-600	2.0	300 or SB
Beryllium	N/A	0-1.75	0.05	0.16(NEAST) or SB
Cadmium	N/A	0.1-1	0.05	1 or SB
Calcium	N/A	130 - 35,000 **	50.0	SB
Chromium	N/A	1.5-40 **	0.1	10 or SB
Chromium	N/A	2.5-60 **	0.5	30 or SB
Cobalt	N/A	1-50	0.25	25 or SB
Copper	N/A	N/A	0.1	***
Cyanide	N/A	2,000 - 550,000	1.0	2,000 or SB
Iron	N/A	****	0.03	SB****
Lead	N/A	100 - 5,000	50.0	SB
Magnesium	N/A	50 - 5,000	0.15	SB
Manganese	N/A	0.001-0.2	0.002	0.1
Mercury	N/A	0.5-25	0.4	13 or SB
Nickel	N/A	8,500 - 43,000 **	50.0	SB
Potassium	N/A	0.1-3.9	0.05	2 or SB
Selenium	N/A	N/A	0.1	SB
Silver	N/A	6,000 - 8,000	50.0	SB
Sodium	N/A	N/A	0.1	SB
Thallium	N/A	1-300	0.5	150 or SB
Vanadium	N/A	9-50	0.2	20 or SB
Zinc	N/A			

Note: Some forms of metal salts such as Aluminum Phosphide, Calcium Cyanide, Potassium Cyanide, Copper cyanide, Silver cyanide, Sodium cyanide, Zinc phosphide, Thallium salts, Vanadium pentoxide, and Chromium (VI) compounds are more toxic in nature. Please refer to the USEPA NEASTs database to find cleanup objectives if such metal salts are present in soil.

SB is site background
N/A is not available

- * CRDL is contract required detection limit which is approx. 10 times the CRDL for water.
- ** New York State background
- *** Some forms of Cyanide are complex and very stable while other forms are pH dependent and hence are very unstable. Site-specific form(s) of Cyanide should be taken into consideration when establishing soil cleanup objective.
- **** Background levels for lead vary widely. Average levels in undeveloped, rural areas may range from 4-61 ppm. Average background levels in metropolitan or suburban areas or near highways are much higher and typically range from 200-500 ppm.
- ***** Recommended soil cleanup objectives are average background concentrations as reported in a 1986 survey of reference material by E. Carol McGovern, NYSDEC.