

Inactive Hazardous Sites Branch
CTS of Asheville Summary
(NCD003149556/Former APS# 20358)
Mills Gap Road, Buncombe County

This is the March, 2010 update of activities directed by the N.C. Department of Environment and Natural Resources that CTS is performing at the Mills Gap Road site in Asheville.

IHSB-CTS Site, Order of Documents:

March 2010 Update:

- NCDENR issued a letter to CTS requesting that the Phase II Workplan be rewritten in a more comprehensive and complete format. The revised workplan is due back to NCDENR on or about April 1st. A conference call was held between NCDENR, Mactec, and CTS on March 15, 2010 to clarify elements of the Phase II Workplan.
- CAG member Aaron Penland made additional calls to NCDENR staff in late February, inquiring as to why EPA was sampling several wells on the CTS Site and at local residences, and what the sampling entailed. Mr. Penland was directed to Ms. Carolyn Calihan of the EPA for specific details concerning EPA's attribution study sampling efforts and investigations. Mr. Penland also inquired, for a second time, as to why CTS is being "allowed" to hire a licensed environmental consultant of their choosing (MacTec). Mr. Penland was provided an explanation of the licensure process and that any assessment work which involves the interpretation of subsurface geologic conditions or preparation of conceptual corrective action plans has to be performed under the oversight of geologists, engineers or professional corporations who are duly licensed in the state of North Carolina to perform those activities. The rules requiring licensure requirements for assessment and preparation of conceptual remediation plans for regulated sites with exceedances of the state's groundwater quality standards can be found in the North Carolina Administrative Code 15A NCAC Subchapter 2L .0103 (e).