Illinois EPA FOIA Exemption Reference Sheet

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Agency ID: 170000450884 Media File Type: LAND
Bureau ID: 0310810003
Site Name: Veolia ES Evanston
Site Address1: 1711 Church St
Site Address2:
Site City: Evanston State: IL Zip: 60201-

This record has been determined to be partially or wholly exempt from public disclosure

Exemption Type:

Redaction

Exempt Doc #: 18 **Document Date:** 8 /7 /2009 **Staff:** MED

Document Description: BOL/FOS COMPLAINT

Category ID: 01 **Category Description:** FIELD OPERATIONS/INSPECTIONS **Exempt Type:** Redaction

Permit ID: **Date of Determination:** 1 /8 /2016

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
BUREAU OF LAND/FIELD OPERATIONS SECTION
COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION FORM

Complaint #: C - 10 - 012
Date Received: 8-12-09
By: DC
BOL/FOS - Region
☐ By E-mail: ☒ By Phone: ☐ In Person; ☐ By Mail

DLPC #: 0310810003 COUNTY: COOK
Location/Facility Name: EVANSTON / EVANSTON TRANSFER STATION
Complainant [redacted] Respondent VEOLIA ES SW MIDWEST, INC.
Address [redacted] Address 1711 CHURCH STREET
EVANSTON, IL 60201
Telephone #: [redacted] Telephone #: 847 878-1905 (CELL #)
Directions to Source:

Complaint Details: ODORS FROM THE SITE WERE UNBEARABLE ON THIS DATE!

RECEIVED
SEP 15 2009
IEPA/BOL
☐ Refer to reverse for more details

INVESTIGATION FINDINGS

By: DONNA CZECH & RICHARD FINLEY Date: 9-3-09
Interviewed: WILLIAM MAYFIELD, MARC MOXON (ON 9/4/09) Time: 10:45 am - 11:10 am
Investigation Results (Select one of the following):
☐ Refer to inspection report dated:
☒ Refer to below and/or reverse for more details:

NO APPARENT VIOLATIONS WERE OBSERVED. FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE NARRATIVE ATTACHED.

ON SEPTEMBER 4, 2009 A TELEPHONE MESSAGE WAS LEFT FOR THE COMPLAINANT REGARDING THE RESULTS OF THIS INVESTIGATION.

IEPA, DIVISION OF RECORDS MANAGEMENT
RELEASABLE
AUG 07 2012

Complainant notified of findings? ☑
Referred to: [redacted] File Opened? ☐

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Investigation Date: _____

Complaint Details (continued): _____

Investigation Results (continued): _____

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Evanston/Evanston Transfer Station

Author: Donna Czech

Narrative

On September 3, 2009 a complaint investigation was conducted at the subject site. Three complaints regarding the site were received by the Agency within a week. The first complaint (C10-012), received by the Agency on August 12, 2009, indicated that unbearable odors were coming from the site (See attached). The second complaint (C10-013), also received by the Agency on August 12, 2009, indicated that a "strong pungent" odor was coming from the subject site (See attached). Finally, the third complaint (C10-017), received by the Agency on August 17, 2009, indicated that the Complainant was adversely affected by odors, insects, small rodents and noise coming from the transfer station. The Complainant also mentioned a "standing water smell" from a flood at the subject site (See attached).

The Agency's inspectors, Donna Czech and Richard Finley, arrived at the subject site unannounced at approximately 10:45am. The site conditions were dry and the temperature was about 70°F. The inspectors were met by William Mayfield, the yard man at the site. Mr. Mayfield accompanied the inspectors on a tour of the facility. Marc Moxon, the facility manager of the site, was interviewed by telephone on September 4, 2009.

As the inspectors entered the facility, the odor detected was fairly typical for a refuse transfer station. The misting system in the ceiling of the building that is used to spray incoming loads of refuse with a deodorizing chemical was operating when the inspectors entered the site. Mr. Mayfield said that the misting system is operated all day as long as waste is being received at the site. Dust is kept under control by wetting down the pavement around the building with a water hose.

No rodents were observed at the time of the inspection. Bait stations are placed inside the building and an exterminator inspects the facility at least once a month. Flies were not overly abundant at the time of the inspection.

Mr Moxon said that all waste is removed from the tipping floor at the end of each operating day. Any waste that is left on site overnight is stored in covered trailers that are parked in the yard south of Church Street.

According to Mr. Moxon, the storm water drainage system at the subject site is operating adequately as designed. He said that on the date that a complaint was received regarding standing flood water at the site (August 17), a Cook County inspector visited the site the same morning. The inspector did not observe any standing water at the site and the storm water detention basin on site was handling water efficiently.

Mr. Moxon said that he was not aware of any noise complaints regarding the subject site. He said that if idling trucks on the street or containers clanking on site were causing problems for the neighbors at an inappropriate time of day, he would resolve that problem directly.

Commonwealth Edison cut down several trees on the east side of the subject site because they were interfering with the electric power line running along the site boundary. Mr. Moxon said that he has money budgeted for the year 2010 to be used to develop a functional barrier on the east side of the site. He is considering several options including a new barrier wall, new landscaping over the old dirt hill with a new fence or a line of shorter trees such as pine that would provide an effective shield from the noise and the sight of the facility for the neighbors on the east side of the site.

Heavy equipment was being used to remove concrete blocks and other debris from the hill on the east side of the site. Mr. Moxon said that he wants to widen the area there so vehicles can move around the site more efficiently. He also said that he would like to demolish the old unused 1711 Church Street building that is adjacent to the west side of the site entrance. He stated that he would like to widen the site entrance (which is very narrow) and install an island with two distinct lanes of traffic for inbound and outbound vehicles. He would like to angle the traffic lanes so the transfer station building would no longer be visible from Church Street.

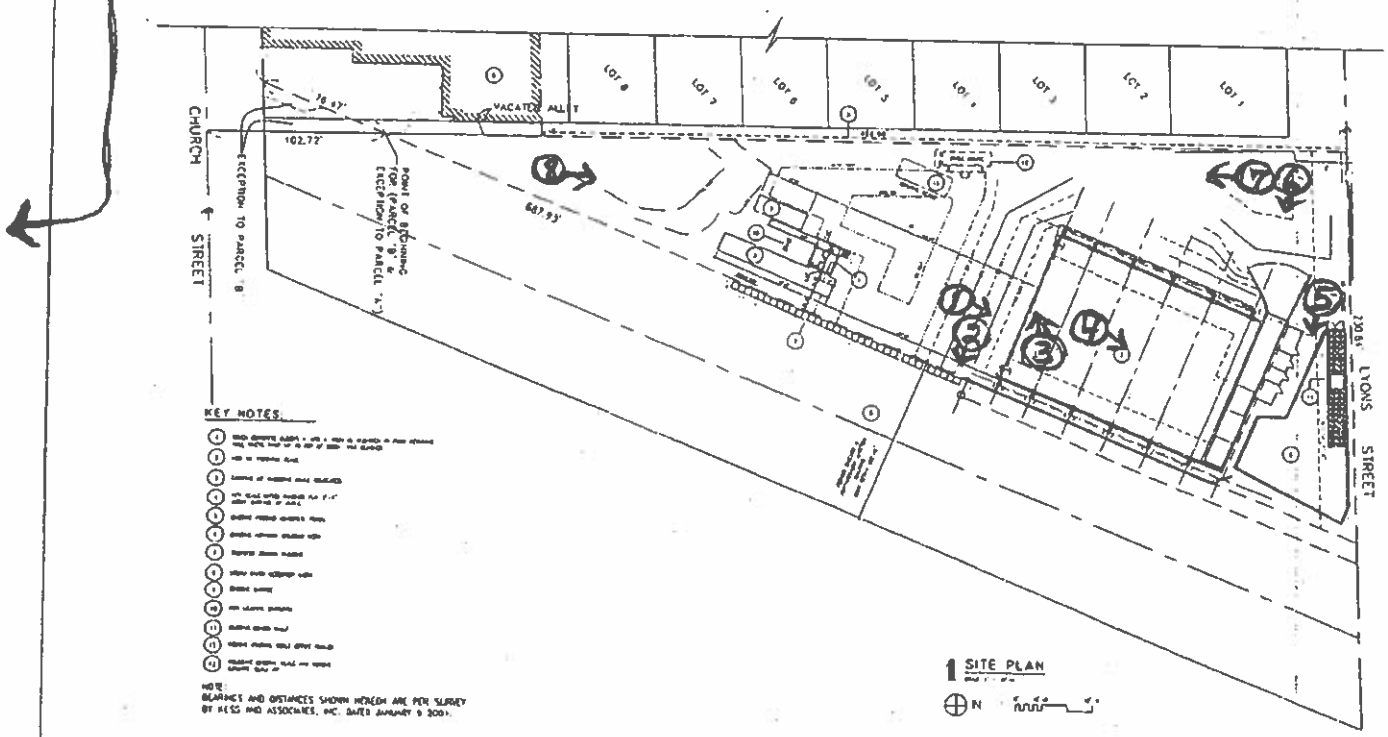
At the time of the inspection, it appeared that the site operator was taking reasonable measures to prevent or at least minimize odors coming from the subject site. The facility manager is aware of the complaints received by the Agency from the neighbors living near the site and he appears to be making a good faith effort to address the complaints as quickly and as thoroughly as possible. No apparent violations of the facility's operating permit or the applicable state regulations were observed and no further action by FOS appears to be necessary at this time. An effort was made to contact each of the three Complainants regarding the results of this investigation (See attached).

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September 3, 2009

YARD

EVANSTON, ILLINOIS

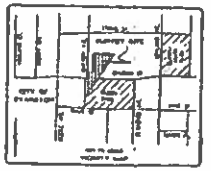


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LOCATION MAP

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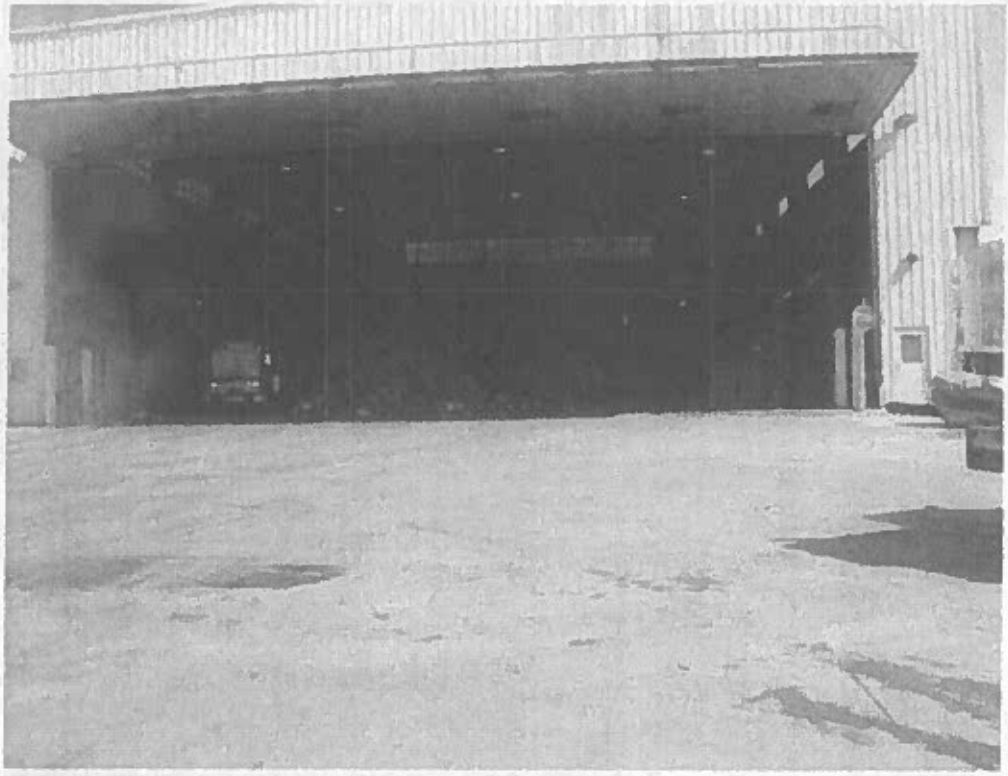
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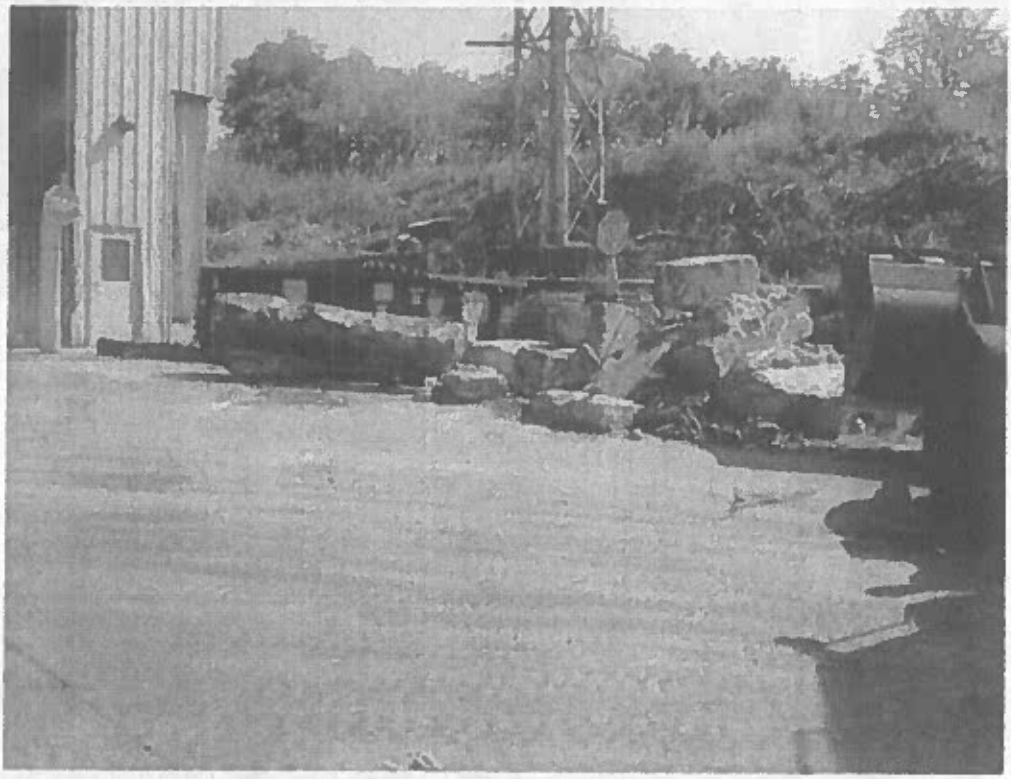
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Date: 9/3/09
Time: 10:50am
Direction: North
Photo by: D. Czech
Exposure #: 001
Comments: Entrance to Transfer Station Building



Date: 9/3/09
Time: 10:50am
Direction: East
Photo By: D. Czech
Exposure #: 002
Comments: Container for Oversize Scrap Tires (Left)

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Division of Land Pollution Control

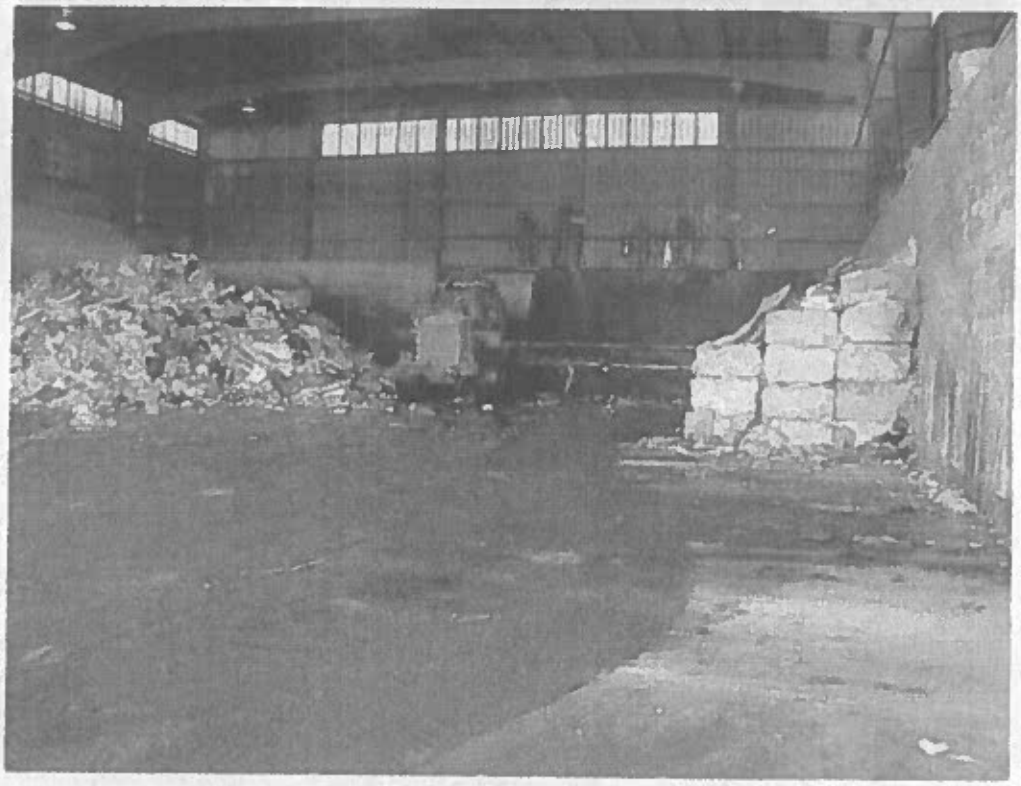
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Comments: Misting System for Odor Control Turned On



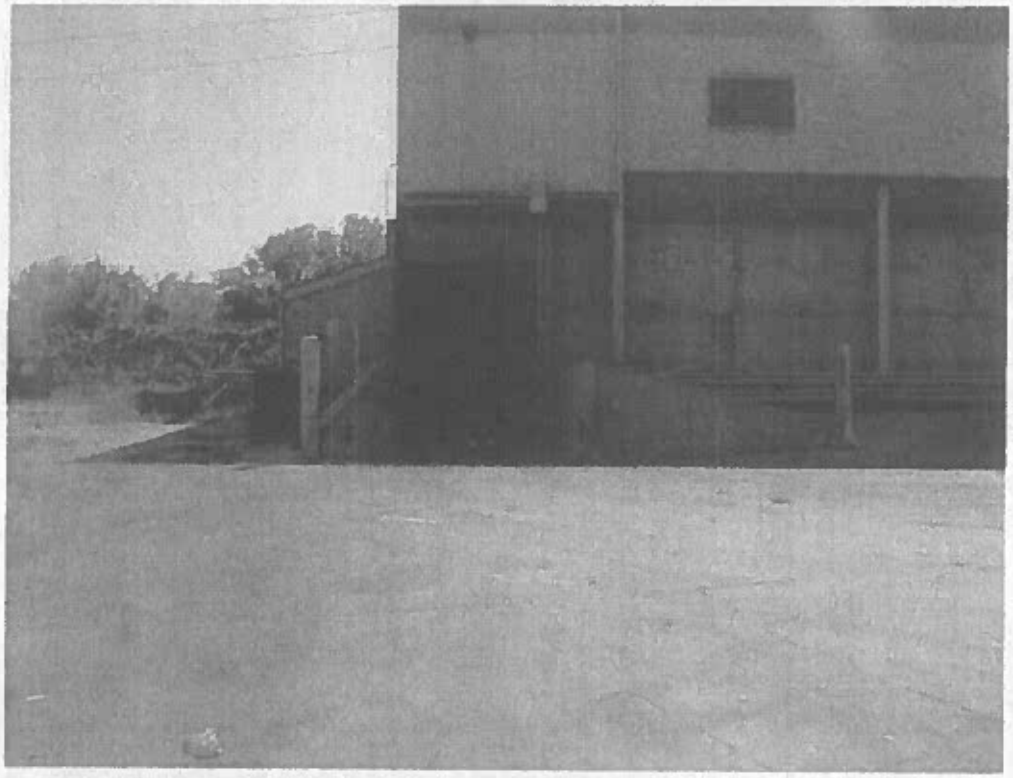
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Comments: Refuse (Left) and Cardboard (Right) on the Tipping Floor; Loading Transfer Trailer in Rear

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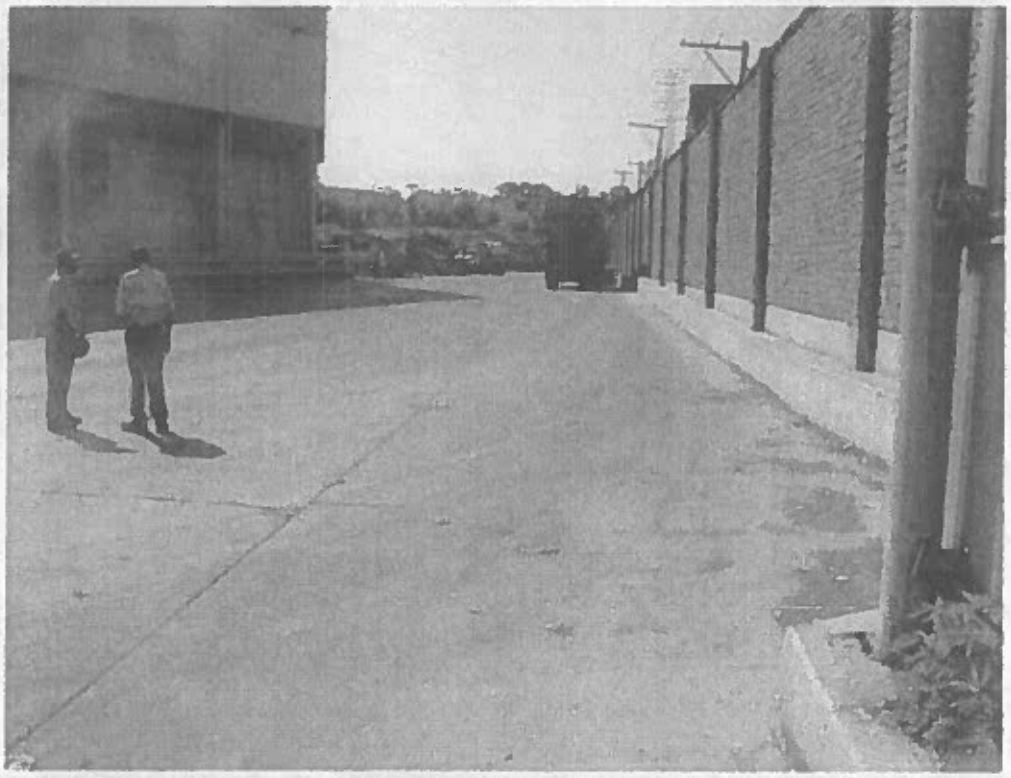
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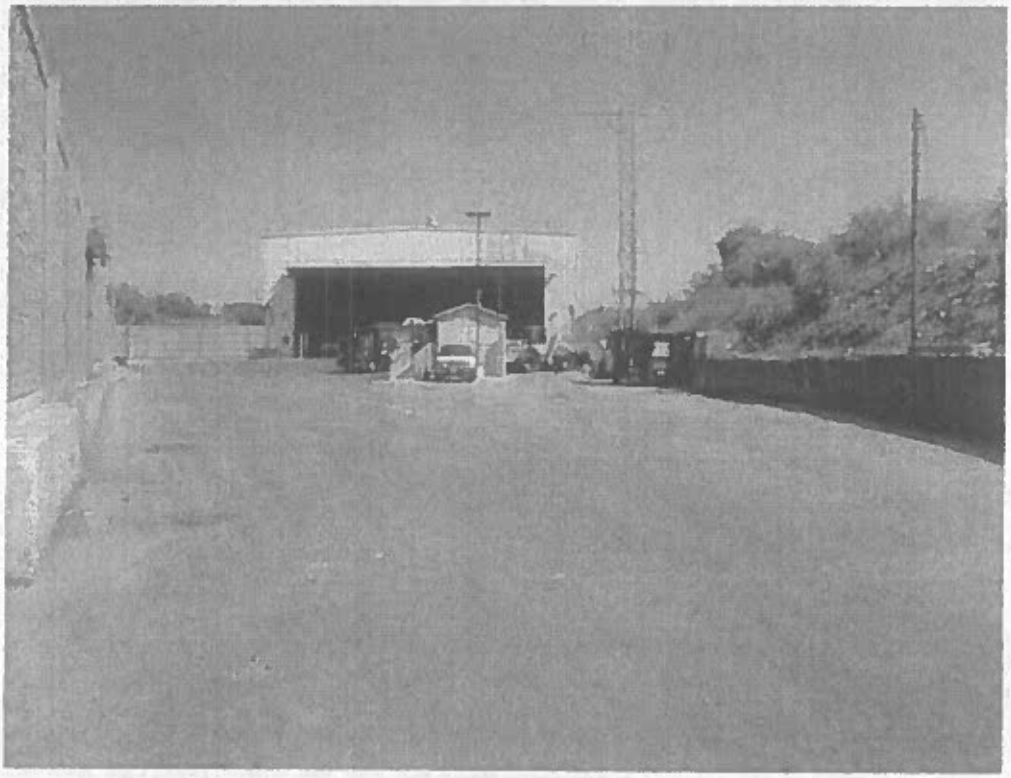
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Date: 9/3/09
Time: 10:50am
Direction: South
Photo by: D. Czech
Exposure #: 007
Comments: View of Site From North End



Date: 9/3/09
Time: 10:50am
Direction: North
Photo By: D. Czech
Exposure #: 008
Comments: View of Site Entrance From South End