LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF TIER 1C PERMIT APPLICATION

47 WHITCOMB ROAD BOXBOROUGH, MA RELEASE TRACKING NUMBER 2-15187



Pursuant to the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP) (310 CMR 40.0480), a legal notice was published in the Beacon on April 7, 2005 notifying the public that a Tier 1 Permit Application was being submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MADEP) on April 1, 2005. In the legal notice appearing in the Beacon on April 7, 2005, 47 Whitcomb Road was identified as the location where a release of oil and/or hazardous waste had occurred and which is classified as a disposal site (as defined by M.G. L. c. 21E, Section 2).

The listing of 47 Whitcomb Road, Boxborough, MA as the site of a release assigned Release Tracking Number 2-15187 was published as an address reference only. The listing does not imply or suggest that a release of oil and/or hazardous waste occurred at 47 Whitcomb Road. Instead, the specific listing of 47 Whitcomb Road with an assigned RTN by MADEP, was the original location of discovery. Based on this original discovery, MADEP assigned the RTN 2-15187 until further investigation was conducted. In addition to this initial reporting, investigations have been ongoing at other locations on Whitcomb Road, and on Hill Road, Barteau Lane, Massachusetts Avenue, and vicinity to better understand the impacts initially discovered at 47 Whitcomb Road. The exact source location of this discovery has not been identified and is currently still under investigation. Concentrations of the gasoline constituent MTBE found in private wells in the vicinity of Whitcomb Road, Hill Road, Barteau Lane, Massachusetts Avenue, and vicinity are less than drinking water standards.

MADEP confirmed that their standard reporting formats list the address of the property where the release was first discovered and assign an RTN to that property. However, given the ongoing investigations in the study area described above, MADEP will update the information in their computer system and change the Street name from 47 Whitcomb Road to "Whitcomb Road," and change the location from 47 Whitcomb Road to "impacted residences".

To obtain more information on this disposal site and the opportunities for public involvement during its remediation, please contact Mr. Eric W. Errico, ExxonMobil Corporation, 52 Beacham Street, Everett, Massachusetts, 02149 or by phone at (617) 381-2952.