Multi-Site Performance Review of Liquid Activated Carbon for Groundwater Treatment

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Outline

- Background
- Technology Development
- Technology Modes of Action
- Applications
- Performance Review











The Reagent – Timeline

- R&D stages 2007 2013
 Ongoing ancillary research
- Field beta tests 2013 2014
 - Early tests still running for long term data
- Commercial launch 2014
 - Battelle Monterey
- Commercial applications from 2014
 - Reviewed in this presentation



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Challenge to REGENESIS®

Development of:

- Flowable and dispersible sorbent
- Stimulates rapid sorption of contaminant
- Permanently biodegrades contaminants





The Reagent – What it is

- A highly dispersive, injectable sorbent and microbial growth matrix
- Colloidal activated carbon (1 2 μm)
 - Size of a bacterium suspends as 'liquid'
 - Huge surface area extremely fast sorption
- Proprietary anti-clumping / distribution supporting surface treatment
- Core innovation
 - Enables wide-area, low-pressure distribution through the soil matrix without clogging







PlumeStop Mode of Action





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What it Treats

- cVOCs (PCE, TCE, etc.)
- Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TPH, BTEX, PAHs, etc.)
- Oxygenates (MTBE)
- Pesticides/Herbicides
- Energetics
- Emerging Contaminants (PFCs, 1,4-dioxane)

	Kf	1/n	PS dose, mg/L: 5 ppm -> .005 ppm
PFOA	52	0.16	224
PFOS	135	0.28	163
PCE	105	0.42	445



Contaminants Sorbed, Now What?

Primary Methods of Contaminant Destruction

Aerobic Treatment • OXYGEN PLUME STOP RELEASE • Electron Acceptor COMPOUND Addition, Sparging... Anaerobic Treatment ٠ **HYDROGEN** PLUME STOP RELEASE HRC Slow release electron donors +COMPOUND • Lactate, recirculation systems Enhanced Monitored Natural Attenuation PLUME STOP REGENESIS

When/Where to Use

- 1. When time is critical
- 2. As a long-term barrier
- 3. To achieve stringent cleanup standards
- 4. To address matrix back diffusion
- 5. When remediation is "flat lining"





Design Verification Testing (DVT) – REGENESIS PlumeStop[®] Strategy of Success

- What is DVT?
 - A process of data collection and analysis to verify design assumptions of a site's chemical and geological conditions and the viability of *in situ* injection(s).
- Why is it necessary?
 - Site investigations typically focus on liability and risk assessment
- Focus on efficient reagent-contaminant contact
 - Field-verification of remedial design parameters and delivery rates
 - Identification of contaminant transport strata and distribution
 - Ensure accurate placement of reagents and maximum flux-interception





What is the Outcome?



- 80% of tests to date have found unanticipated results (technical blind spots)
- 2/3 of preliminary designs have been modified / refined
- 80% of design changes have been cost-neutral



Performance Analytics









PlumeStop Applications – July 2016

- Number of sites = 67
- Number of states = 24
- Number of countries = 7
- States
 - CA, CO, FL, GA, IA, IL, IN, KY, MA, MI, MO, NC, NE, NJ, NM, OH, PA, PR, SC, TX, UT, WA, WI, WV
- Countries
 - USA, Canada, Italy, Belgium, UK, Sweden, Netherlands
- Scale
 - Pilot 26 (39%)
 - Full 41 (61%)









PlumeStop Site Performance - Target Well Reductions First 1 - 3 Monitoring Rounds (n = 34)



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PlumeStop Long Term Performance - April 2016 (n = 31)



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