

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III

1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103

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Ms. Amy Resch Emmaus Public Library 11 E. Main Street Emmaus, PA 18049

Dear Ms. Resch,

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is required by law to establish administrative records "at or near a facility at issue." The administrative record consists of information upon which the Agency bases its selection of response action for a particular Superfund site.

By providing the public with greater access to these records, we hope that they will be better equipped to comment constructively on site activities and to understand the issues relating to the selection of the response action at the site.

We appreciate the Emmaus Public Library serving as a designated field repository for the Rodale Manufacturing Co., Inc. site. The Administrative Record for the Rodale Manufacturing Co., Inc. site has previously been established and is available to the public at https://semspub.epa.gov/. An Index of Documents for each Administrative Record is enclosed. Please refer parties interested in reviewing the records to the SEMS-Pub site. A quick reference search guide is attached to assist users of SEMS-Pub.

To ensure the receipt of the above information, I would appreciate your completion of the attached Notification of SEMS-Pub Availability Acknowledgment form. Please return this form upon receipt.

SEMS-Pub Search Help

- 1. Type in https://semspub.epa.gov in your web browser's URL field.
- 2. Select Region "03."
- 3. Select Collection Type "Administrative Record."
- 4. Select State "Pennsylvania."
- 5. Select Site "RODALE MANUFACTURING CO., INC."
- 6. Click the Submit button.
- 7. The Superfund Records Collections page lists all of the available Administrative Record (AR) Collections for the site.
- 8. Click a Collection Description.
- 9. You arrive at the page with the list of documents. At the top of the page is a link to the Index of Documents the same document you have in paper format. The balance of documents on the page appear on the Index of Documents and make up the Administrative Record File. The default sort on the webpage is reverse chronological order with the most recently dated document at the top.
- 10. Use the Index to guide you through the document list on the web page.
- 11. You can re-sort the documents using the up or down triangles at the top of any column.
- 12. For additional documents, return to https://semspub.epa.gov. Follow steps 1-7 above, and then select a different Collection Description.
- 13. To access other site related documents, return to https://semspub.epa.gov in your web browser's URL field.
- 14. Select Region "03."
- 15. Select Collection Type "Special Collection."
- 16. Select State "Pennsylvania."
- 17. Select Site "RODALE MANUFACTURING CO., INC."
- 18. Click the Submit button.
- 19. Click on the Collection Description, "PUBLICLY AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS".

RODALE MANUFACTURING SITE ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD FILE * INDEX OF DOCUMENTS

I. SITE IDENTIFICATION

- 1. Report: Site History and Laboratory Results for the Rodale Manufacturing Site, Emmaus, Pennsylvania, prepared by Geo-Environmental Consultants, Inc. (GEC), 10/23/91. P. 100001-100089B.
- 2. Report: Well Survey Evaluation Summary Report for the Rodale Manufacturing Site, Emmaus, Pennsylvania, prepared by GEC, 9/28/94. P. 100090-100746. A transmittal letter dated September 29, 1994, to Ms. Angie Garcia, U.S. EPA, from Jahan Tavangar, GEC, is attached.
- Report: Time-Critical Investigation Report for the Rodale Manufacturing Site, Emmaus, Pennsylvania, Volume 1 of 2, prepared by GEC, 10/95. P. 100747-100900.

^{*} Administrative Record File available 11/20/97, updated 1/21/98, 10/14/98, 6/21/99 and 11/18/99.

 Record of Decision, Rodale Manufacturing Superfund Site, Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, 9/30/99. P. 300915-301007.

GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

- 1. U.S. EPA Quick Reference Fact Sheet entitled, "DNAPL Site Characterization," 9/94.
- 2. Guidance for Evaluating the Technical Impracticability of Ground-Water Restoration, prepared by OSWER, 9/93.