



# Cost-Effective In-Situ Remediation

Biostimulation as a Residual Source Mass Remediation Strategy







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# **Summary of Site Conditions**

#### **Background - Former Dry Cleaner**

[PCE] in soils and groundwater above MOECC Table 3 SCS Residual source mass in saturated soils

#### **Site Conditions**

Generally Coarse Textured Soils

Silty Sand w/ Silt Generally moist

0.5m – 4.9m bgs, elevated PID readings

Weathered Shale 5-8m bgs

Bedrock below at ≈8m bgs

#### **Groundwater Conditions**

Groundwater flow generally southeast towards Lake Ontario

[PCE] in saturated soils; [PCE] and minimal daughter [cVOCs] in groundwater, total [cVOC] ranged 5,000 – 30,000 ug/L

Pre-evaluation Parent:Parent/Daughter Molar Ratio ≈100%



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# **Summary of Remediation Activities**

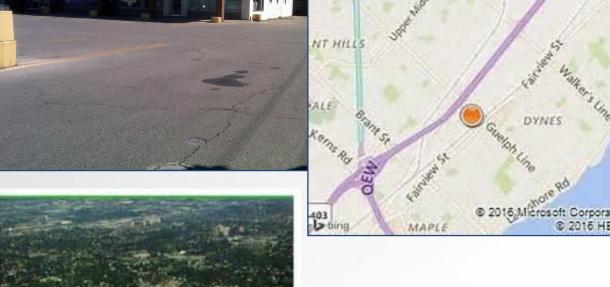
#### **Remediation Goals**

Identify low-cost low-impact strategy to address residual mass and dissolve phase contaminants

Avoid secondary contaminant concerns and associated risks

#### **Initial Recommendation**

Initial Consultant advised Pump-and-Treat
Advised Bioremediation not Appropriate
Geochemistry not supportive of Reductive Dechlorination
Residual Source Mass Present
Advised costs in excess of \$500,000 over 30-years



#### **Concluding Recommendation**

Biostimulation feasible; designed to adjust Geochemistry; destroys contaminants, <\$75K 'all in'

ERDenhanced components facilitate solubilization

Co-solvent affect resulting from additive utilization by microbial populations





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TerroStryke® Products LLC has been BioStryke Remediation Products LLC for past 7-years developing formulations that assist practitioners to

Increase project performance, Lower costs and Increase margins

TerroStryke® works to assist the establishment of 'Green' remediation strategies

Helping to realize remediation objectives and reduce site impacts

Proven products and strategies to achieve site remediation goals safely, sustainably and effectively



# Why is Biostimulation Cost-Effective?

### **Biostimulation** is a proven remediation strategy that:

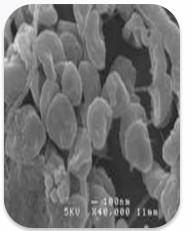
Nourishes and stimulates native microbial populations
Expedites solubilization of residual source mass contaminants
Increases contaminant bioavailability
Enhances dissolve phase contaminant destruction to
Realize Long-Term Compliance

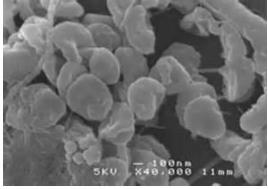
### **Biostimulation** minimizes the impact of remediation by:

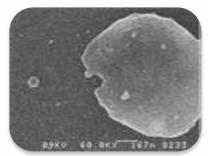
Minimizing/Eliminate Multiple Deployments
Eliminate above ground support equipment
Minimizing off-site removal activities, fuel and energy costs
Minimizes and eliminates nuisance noise, emissions and vapors

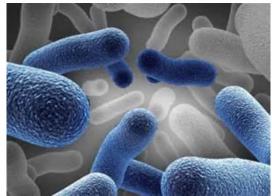
# Enhanced Reductive Dechlorination ERDENHANCED™ Biostimulation

- **→ Biotic Reductive Dechlorination = Substitution of H+ for CI**
- + Environmental Conditions
  - ★ Anaerobic (<0.5 mg/L DO)
  - **★ Chemically Reducing (<50 mV ORP)**
  - **★ Hydrogen ("Fuel" for Dechlorination)**
- + Additive Mechanisms
  - **★** Carbon expedites electron scavenging
  - **★ Nutrients enhance microbial activity**
  - **★** Carbohydrate supplies food and H<sup>+</sup>
  - **★ Co-Solvent Effect from assimilation of Carbohydrate**
  - ★ Formulation maintains sustainable reducing conditions that have exceeded a <u>decade</u> in duration



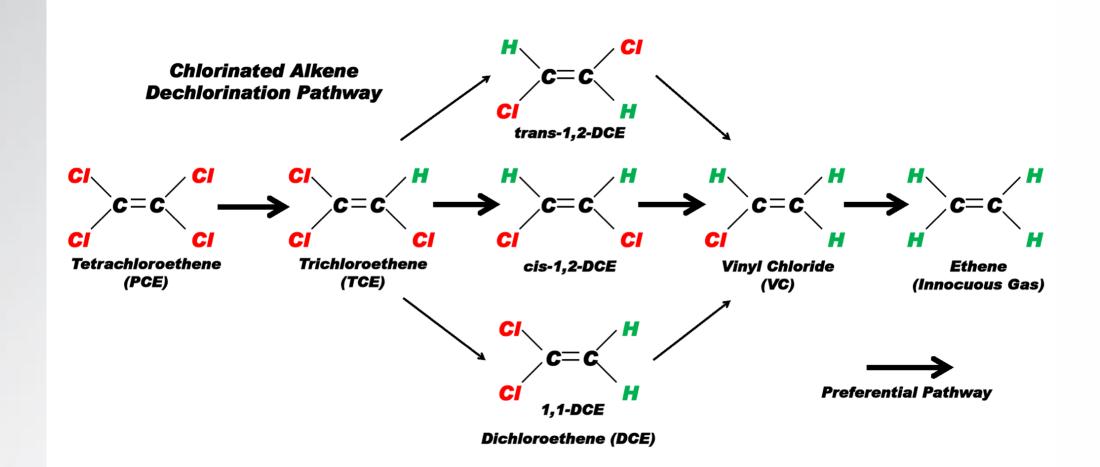








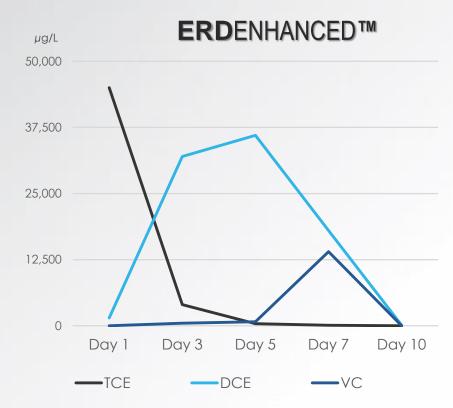
# **cVOC Biotransformation Pathway**



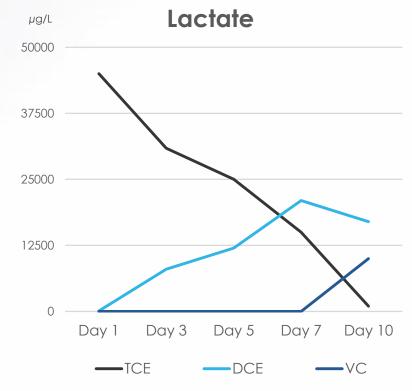


# Pilot Study Microcosm Evaluation ERDENHANCED™

# NASA Stennis Space Station - Mississippi



ERDenhanced™ Safe, Sustainable, Effective Complete Biotransformation of Greater Molar Mass of cVOC contaminants



Lactate *did not* yield complete biotransformation during evaluation period





### **Amendment Comparison Evaluation**

- → Former Chrysler Facility
- → ERDENHANCED™
  - → 99.8% DECREASE in [TCE]
  - → 95.0% DECREASE in Total [cVOC]
- Increased Dissolved [Iron] indicative of enhanced iron reduction
- → Greater Methane Production Indicative of Stimulation of Methanogenesis
- → 400% Increase in [Ethene] Indicating Complete Parent cVOC Transformation
- Chloride] Increased while other locations stable/decreased indicating enhanced biostransformation

METRICS	ERDenhanced	Lactate	Hydrogen Based Compound
Total [TCE]	99.8%-	97.5%-	99.9%-
Total [cVOC]	95.0%-	80.2%-	69.8%-
Dissolved Iron	+	NC	NC
Methane	+++	+	+
Ethene	+400%	NC	NC
Ethane	+99%	NC	NC
Chloride	+	-	NC



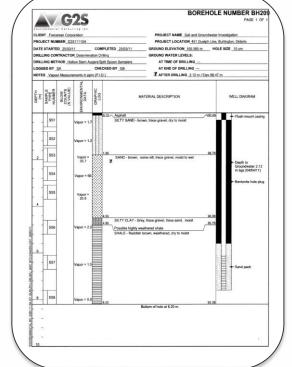
**Determine Efficacy Under Actual Biogeochemical Conditions** 

- + On-Site 'Go-no-Go' on-Site Efficacy Evaluation
- + Low-Cost Low-Risk, no long-term effects to site biogeochemistry
- + Additive filled deployment sock suspended directly into existing 2-inch GW monitoring well
- + Passively amends casing volume of test well creating an approximate 3-ft area-of-influence

**Baseline & Performance Monitoring/Sampling** 

- + PRS replacement events every 6-8 weeks
- + 5-6 replacement events per evaluation
- + Performance sample collection/analysis each event
- + Non-purge, low-flow sampling protocols





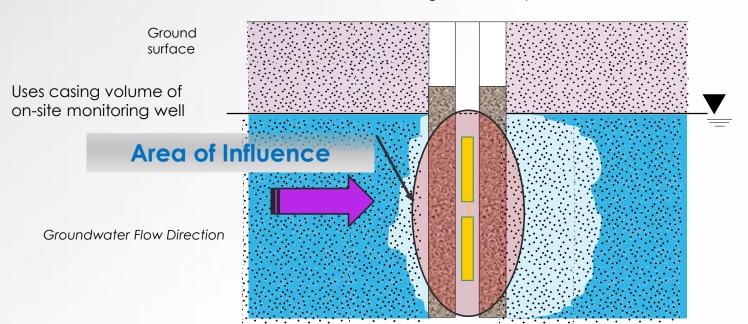




**Determine Efficacy Under Actual Biogeochemical Conditions** 

Purpose of PRS based evaluation is to confirm additive efficacy under actual site biogeochemistry

It is not for compliance testing



Eliminates the 'Jar Effect' while saving costs

Is Reproducible, but not scalable to full-scale design

**Determine Efficacy Under Actual Biogeochemical Conditions** 



#### **Field Parameters:**

ORP, DO, pH, Temperature

#### **Geochemistry:**

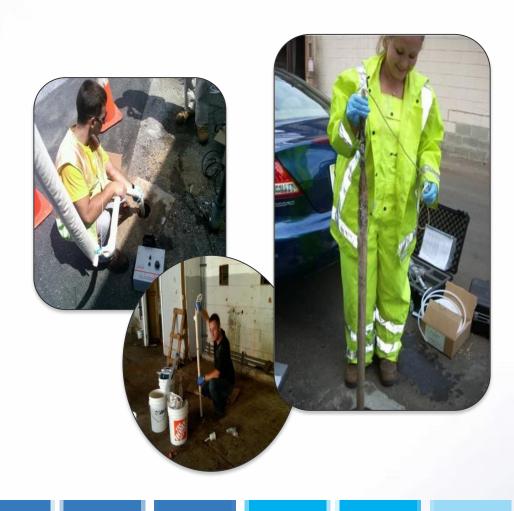
Nitrates (NO3), Sulphates (SO4), dissolved Iron/Manganese

#### Analytical:

- Contaminant of Concern (EPA 8260)
- + Field Indicator Parameters Recorded <u>Every</u> Replacement Event
- + Non-purge, low-flow sampling protocols

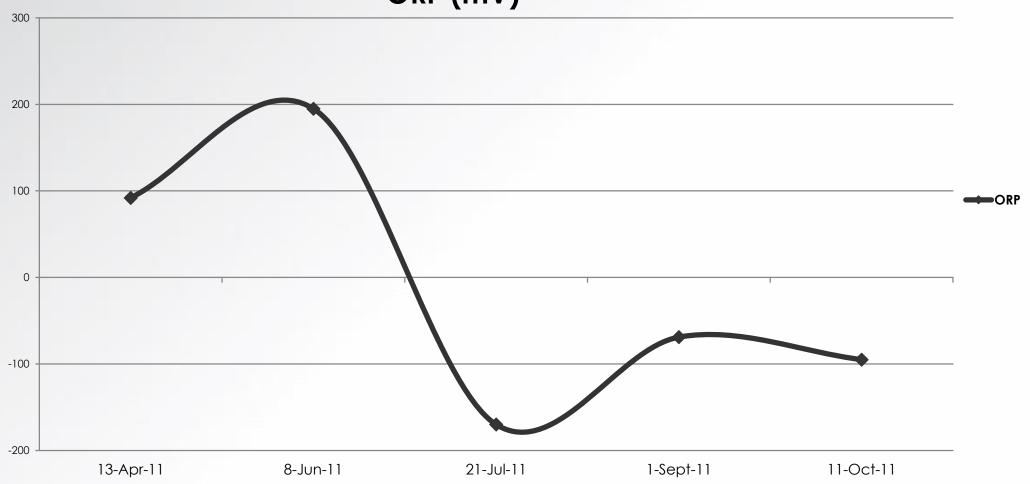
Assists in the evaluation of additive efficacy
Also provides input to residual mass presence
Solubilization rates
Remediation Timeframes



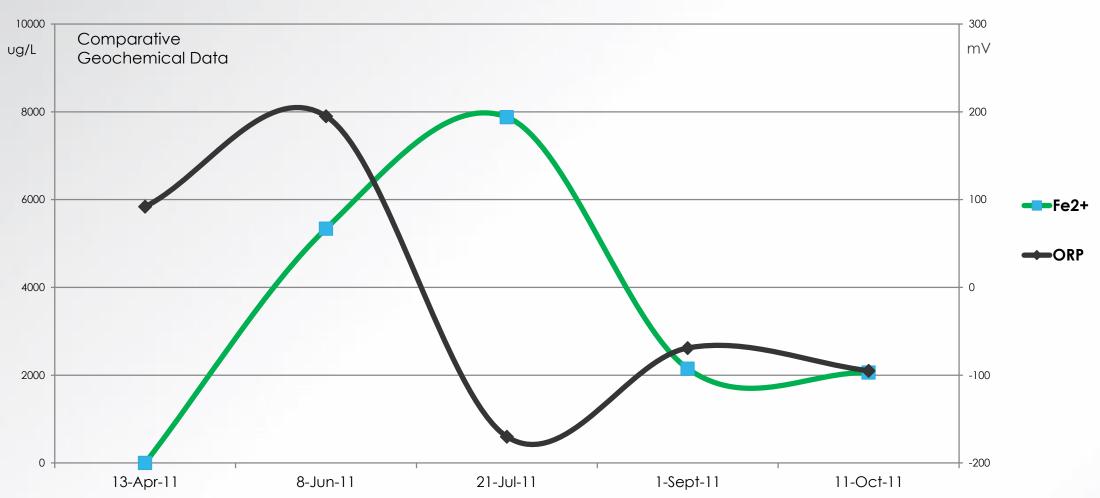




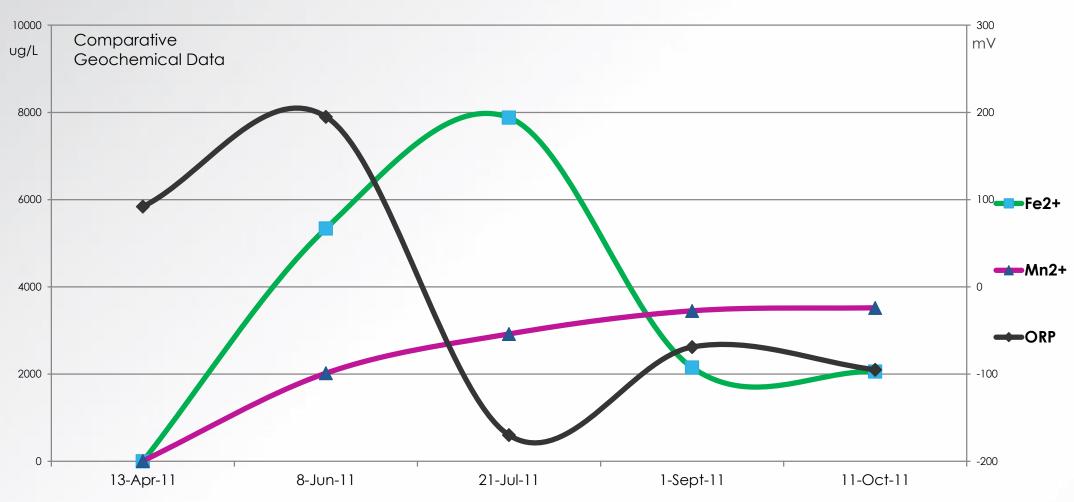




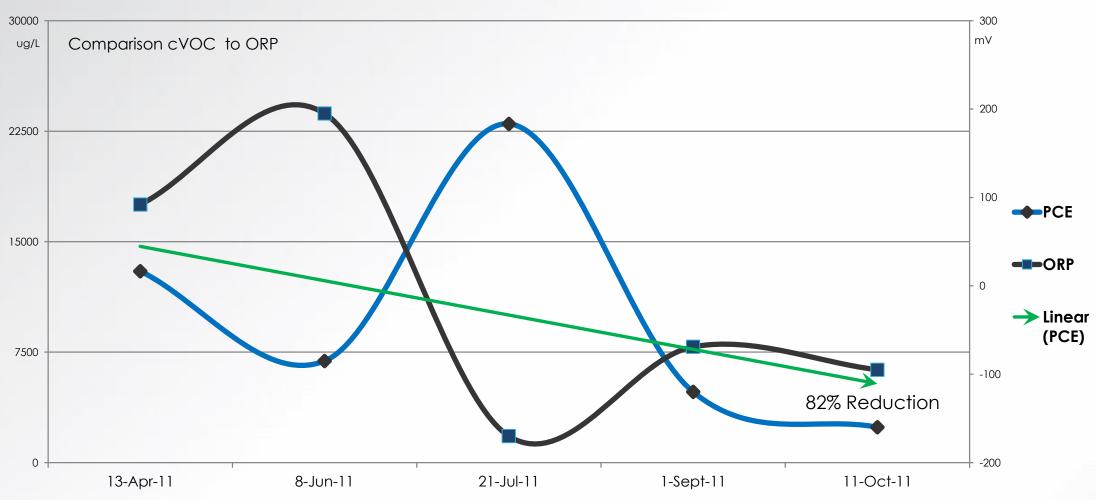




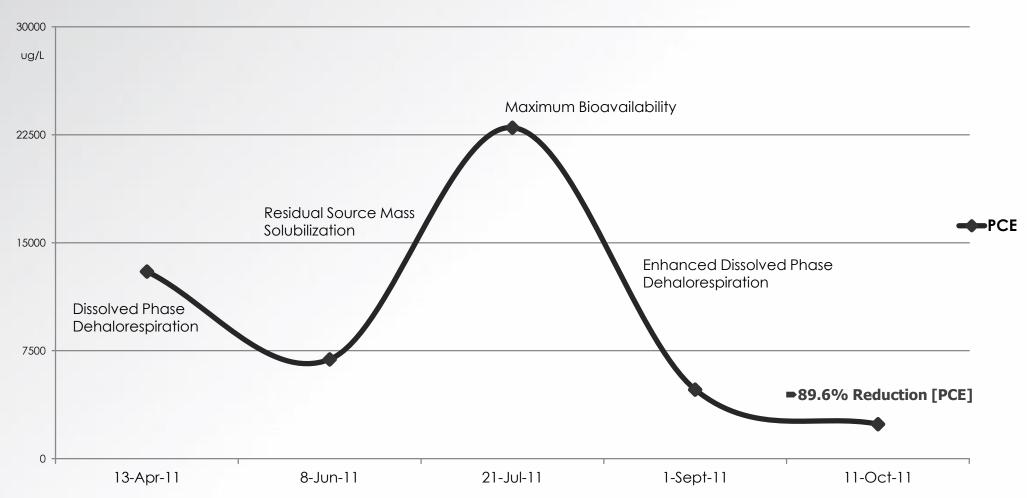




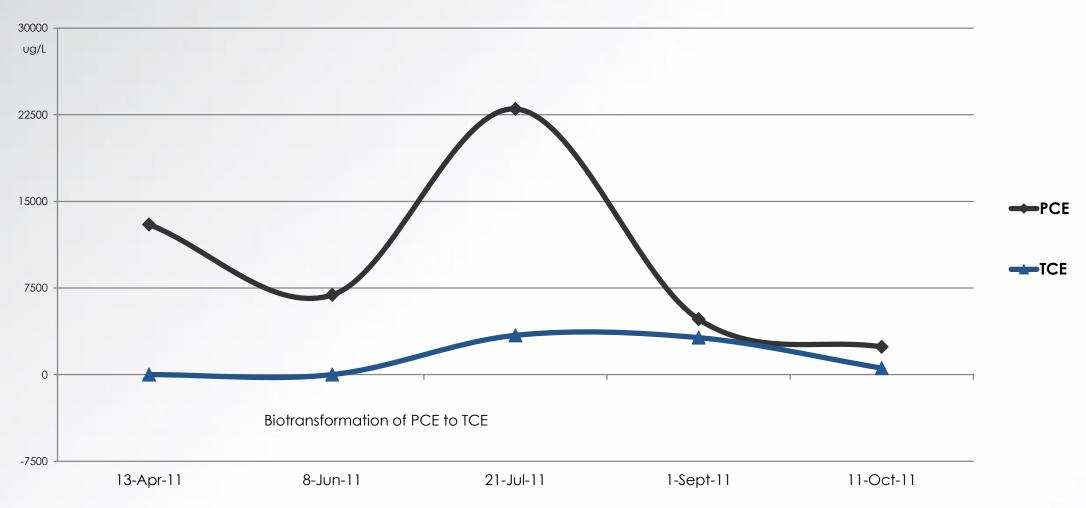


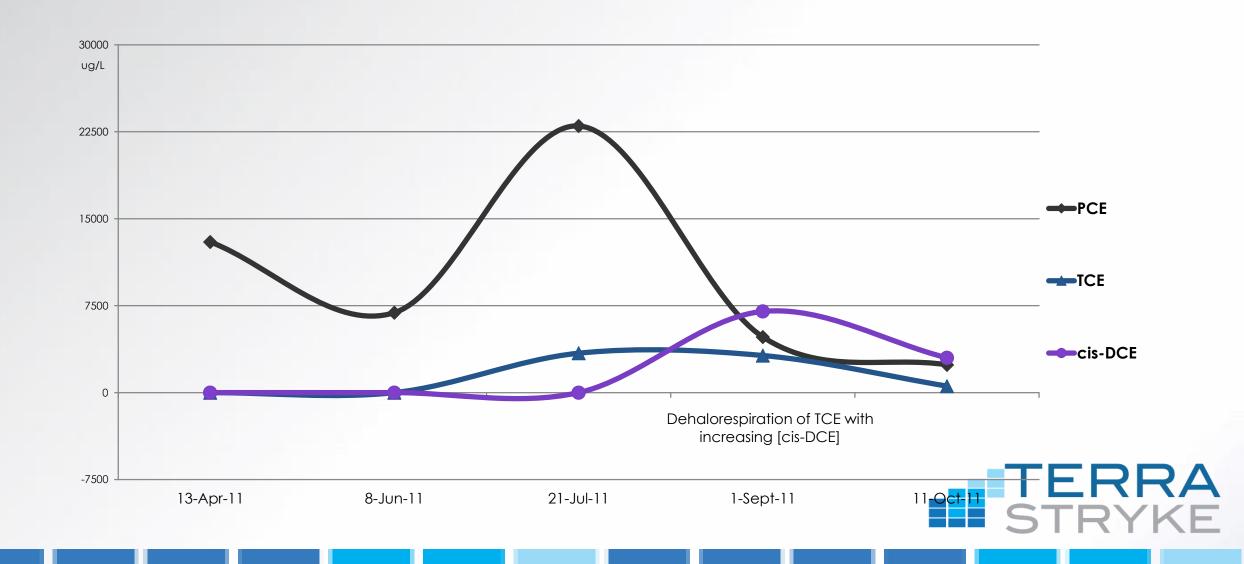




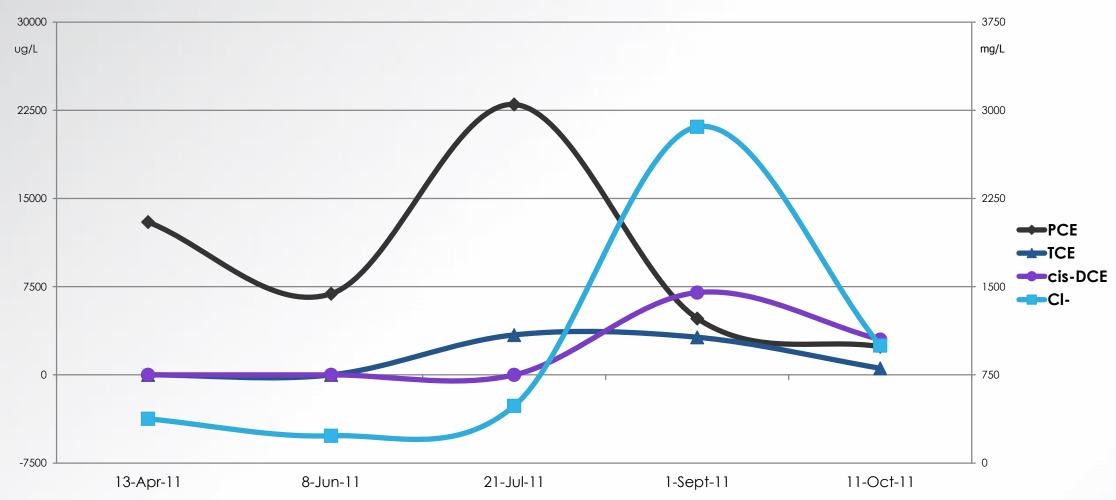




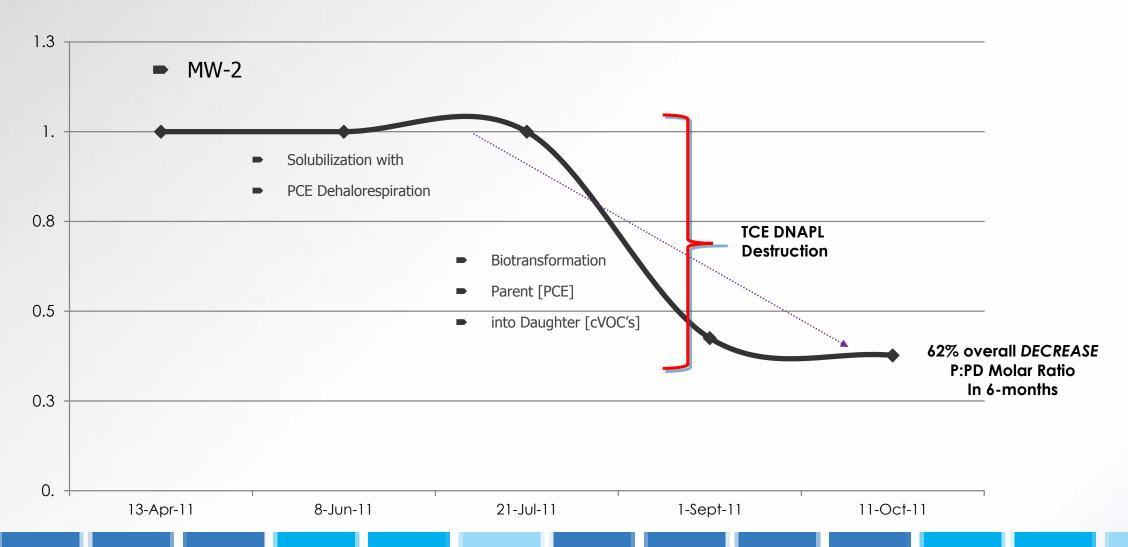










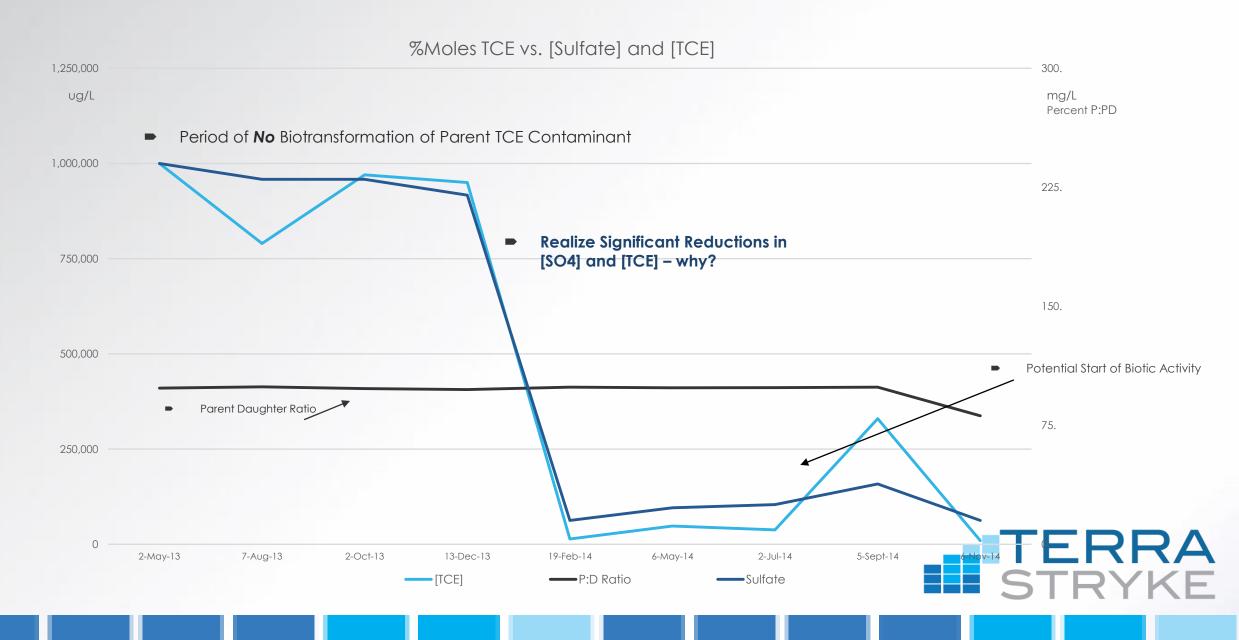


# Importance of P:PD Ratio

## **Biotic Contaminant Reduction?**



### Contaminant Reduction but NO Destruction!











#### **Contaminant Location**

Contaminated source soils located within building proper
Full soil source removal unfeasible
Subslab excavation limited
Residual Mass Present

#### **Excavation – Source Removal**

Limited excavation removed 250m³ contaminated soils
Infiltration gallery installed w/in footprint
Clear stone, 6-inch slotted PVC, 2-3m bgs

#### **Groundwater Conditions**

Residual mass present at levels above PCE solubility

Groundwater concentrations of PCE in area 5,000-30,000 ug/L

No daughter products present

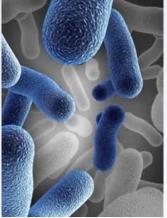


# **Full Scale Application**

# Phase III In-Situ Biostimulation









#### **Remediation Strategy**

Enhance treatment zone geochemistry
Biostimulate native microbial populations
Expedite Residual Mass Solubilization
Increase Dissolve Phase [PCE]
Leverage momentum of Mother Nature
Enhance Native Microbial Populations
Realize enhanced and *complete*biotransformation

### **Additive Deployment**

Additive deployed twice: March 2014 July 2014 9% additive slurry gravity fed to subslab gallery 990kg/840kg w/1,000 gallons chase water per deployment





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# Data available to date represents ≈18-months of amendment impact Amendment Influenced Monitoring Wells

- MW-2 (former Pilot location), MW-3, MW-6 and MW-209
- Each located approximately 15-20 meters downgradient
- Extended influence potentially 85-meters downgradient

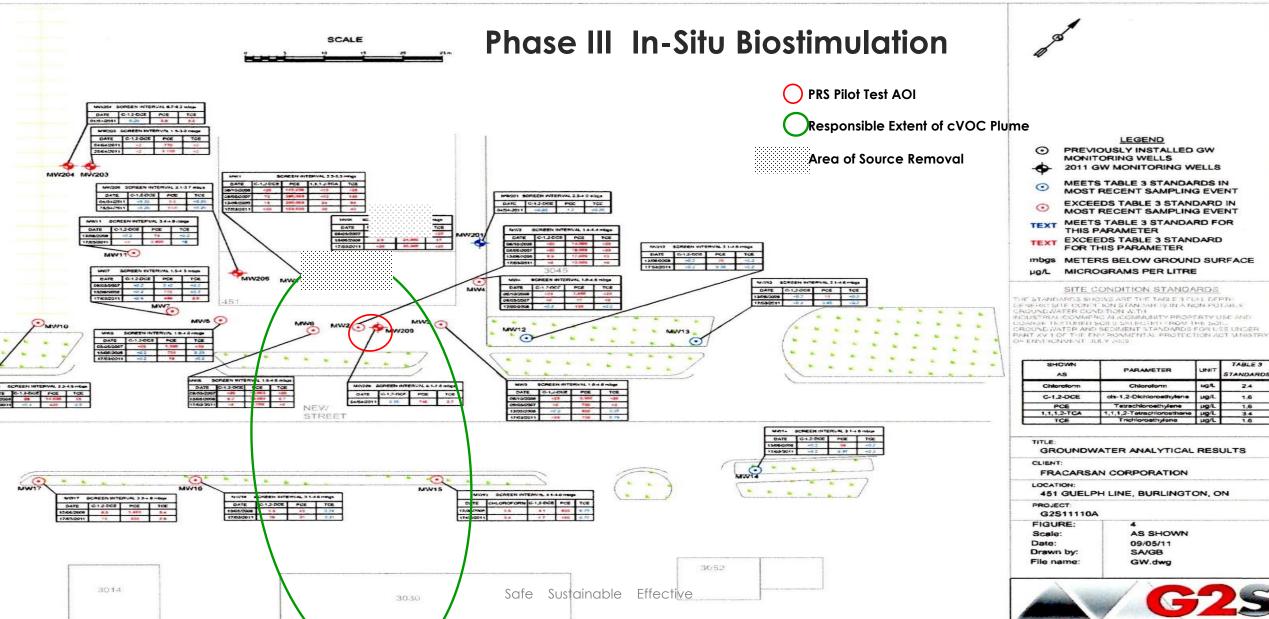
### Five (5) Rounds of Groundwater Monitoring Post Initial Amendment Event

- From March 2014 through October 2015
- Includes field geochemical and lab analytical metrics





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## Phase III In-Situ Biostimulation

Pre-Additive Introduction [cVOCs] March 25, 2014

Location	[PCE]	[TCE]	[cis-DCE]	[vc]	P:PD Ratio
MW-2*	370 ug/L	29.6 ug/L	5.4 ug/L	80.3	58.8%
MW-3	1,030 ug/L	<0.05 ug/L	<0.05 ug/L	ND	99.9%
MW-6	1,950 ug/L	0.67 ug/L	<0.05 ug/L	ND	99.9%
MW-209	1.93 ug/L	1.2 ug/L	4.66 ug/L	ND	30.4%

#### **Groundwater Conditions**

MW-2 is former PRS test location; MW-209 is adjacent
MW-3 and MW-6 not effected by PRS evaluation
Non-effected areas with >99% P:PD Ratio
No ongoing biotic activity evident





## Phase III In-Situ Biostimulation

Post-Additive Introduction [cVOCs] October 5, 2015

Location	[PCE]	[TCE]	[cis-DCE]	[VC]	P:PD Ratio
MW-2	<25 ug/L	<25 ug/L	48 ug/L	<25 ug/L	8.7%
MW-3	51 ug/L	2.7 ug/L	170 ug/L	26 ug/L	0.8%
MW-6	41 ug/L	12 ug/L	130 ug/L	50 ug/L	3.7%
MW-209	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

11/2-years post deployment

# Percent Reduction P:PD Ratio Post Deployment

Average **94.9%** REDUCTION

>99.99% *REDUCTION* at MW-3

Amended locations demonstrating enhanced reductive dechlorination due to introduction of **ERD**ENHANCED™





2 years post additive deployment

### Phase III In-Situ Biostimulation

Post-Additive Introduction [cVOCs] April 2016

Location	[PCE]	[TCE]	[cis-DCE]	[vc]	P:PD Ratio
MW-2	1.5 ug/L	<1.0 ug/L	3 ug/L	8.0 ug/L	5.3%
MW-3	230 ug/L	9.2 ug/L	35 ug/L	< 2.0 ug/L	75.6%
MW-6	510 ug/L	15 ug/L	63 ug/L	10 ug/L	76.9%
MW-209	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

90.9% overall reduction P:PD (MW-2)

MW-3/MW-6 increases in [PCE] and P:PD ratio

Solubilization of Residual Mass

P:PD Molar Ratio increased due to concurrent dehalorespiration of daughter products

82.9% average reduction in [cVOCtotal]

45.9% average reduction in P:PD Molar Ratio

Septic leak in October 2015

Need to better evaluate geochemistry

Need to observe possible advection of
upgradient off-site cVOC contaminants

Monitor degree of residual mass solubilization





21/2 years post additive deployment

# Phase III In-Situ Biostimulation

Post-Additive Introduction [cVOCs] September 2016

Location	[PCE]	[TCE]	[cis-DCE]	[vc]	P:PD Ratio
MW-2	2.4 ug/L	<1.0 ug/L	< 1.0 ug/L	< 1.0 ug/L	100%
MW-3	130 ug/L	3.7 ug/L	7.0 ug/L	< 1.0 ug/L	88.7%
MW-6	8.4 ug/L	1.9 ug/L	26 ug/L	6.9 ug/L	58.8%
MW-209	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

99.4% reduction [PCE] (MW-2)

87.4% reduction [PCE] (MW-3)

P:PD Molar Ratio increased at each location; with 99.6% and 86.3% reductions in [cVOCtotal]

99.6% reduction [PCE]; 41.1% P:PD, at MW6

97.8% overall reduction [cVOCtotal] MW6

95.2% average reduction in [cVOCtotal]

**Geochemical Conditions** 

[TOC] <100mg/L at each location [Cl<sup>-</sup>] range from 130 mg/L to 1,500 mg/L Ethene recorded at MW6

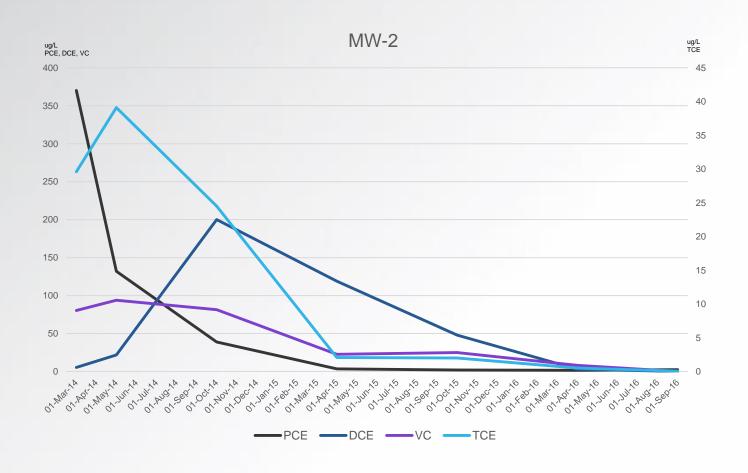
Septic, possible advection of upgradient contaminants, expedited Carbon source use





21/2 years post additive deployment

# Phase III In-Situ Biostimulation



99.4% reduction [PCE]

Initial 32.1% increase in [TCE] followed by 99.9% reduction

3,600% increase [DCE] followed by ≈100% reduction by evaluation end

Initial 16.8% increase in [VC] followed by 99.9% reduction

99.5% reduction in [cVOCtotal]

Demonstrates dehalorespiration of parent and subsequent biotransformation into daughter products

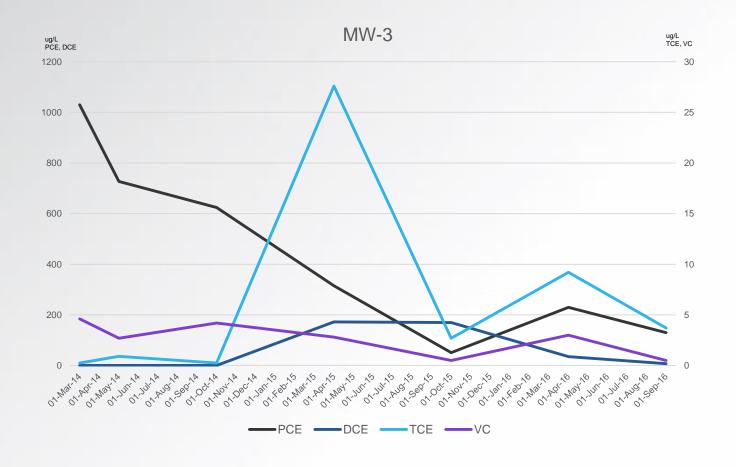
Sample location is now within compliance





21/2 years post additive deployment

# Phase III In-Situ Biostimulation



Maximum reduction [PCE] >95% (T=18-months)

Overall reduction [PCE] 87.4%

Five Order-Magnitude Increase [TCE] April 2015

90.2% subsequent reduction 6-months later

Overall 86.6% reduction [TCE] from April 2015

Similar Five Order Magnitude Increase [DCE] through October 2015; 6-months after TCE peak

95.9% reduction [DCE] from T=12-months to evaluation end

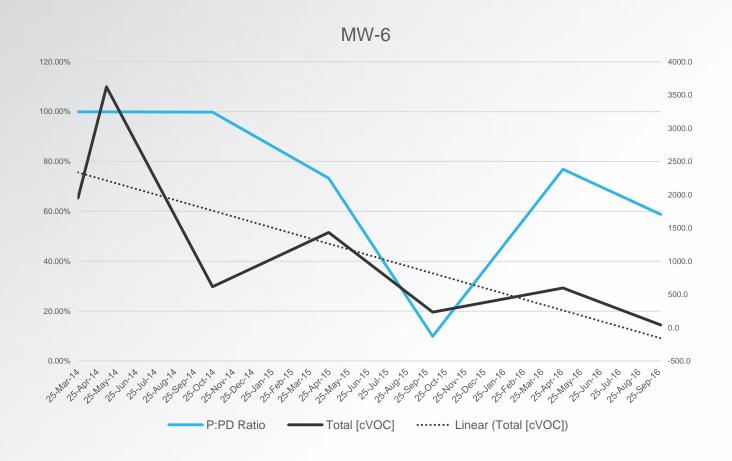
[VC] maximum increase ≈500% with overall 89.1% reduction





21/2 years post additive deployment

# Phase III In-Situ Biostimulation



98.8% reduction [cVOC] total

90.1% maximum reduction in P:PD Molar Ratio T= month-18 (October 2015)

41.2% overall reduction P:PD Molar Ratio

Graph demonstrates the dehalorespiration and subsequent destruction of cVOC molecules

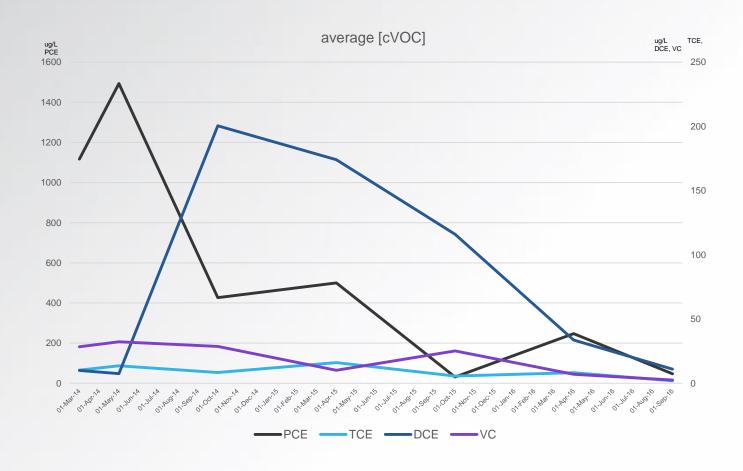
Concurrent with reductions in dissolve phase [cVOC]





21/2 years post additive deployment

# Phase III In-Situ Biostimulation



Plot average [cVOC] within apparent amended treatment zone,  $\Delta$ [MW2, MW3, MW6]

96.9% reduction [ΔPCE] after several solubilization/reduction events

[∆TCE] increased ≈60% T=18-months; with 88.2% decrease by evaluation end

[ΔDCE] increased >1,600% T=18-months 94.5% reduction from peak bioavailability

[ΔVC] remained stable through T=12-months; decreased 68.7% T=18-months; increased ≈150% then, by evaluation end, [ΔVC] decreased >92.3%



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# **Full Scale Application**

# Conclusions

- Safe Sustainable and Effective
- Enhances Native Microbial Populations
  - Enhances Dissolve Phase Dehalorespiration
  - Expedites Residual Mass Solubilization
  - Co-Solvent Effect
  - Inorganic Nutrient Package Recycled Within Treatment Zone
  - Enhances Endogenous Decay and Extended Carbon Source

#### Sustainable

- Maintains Enhanced Reducing Conditions for over a Decade
- Realize Complete cVOC Biotransformation w/ Minimal Impacts
- Eliminates Multiple Deployments
- Enhance Project Performance and Increase Project Margins
- Safe, Sustainable, Effective







