

MEMORANDUM

TO: Lee Dillard Adams, Deputy Regional Director, BWP/DEP/CERO

THROUGH: John F. Kronopolus, BWP/DEP/CERO *JK*

FROM: Giles Steele-Perkins, BWP/DEP/CERO *GSP*

DATE: July 19, 2005

SUBJECT: Follow-up Inspection of Novotech, Inc.
in Acton, MA

FMF ID #320600

On July 13, 2005, this writer conducted a follow-up inspection of Novotech, Inc. at 916 Main Street in Acton, MA. The Company has complied with the Administrative Consent Order and Notice of Noncompliance, ACOP-CE-05-9013-2A, executed on March 18, 2005.

RESOLUTIONS:

HAZARDOUS WASTE

1. The Company has determined if their wastes are hazardous. The wastes observed during the first inspection were characterized by outside parties and were shipped for recycling or disposal via licensed transporters. Gallium/arsenide slurries and wastewaters were characterized as nonhazardous and were sold to an out of state recycler. The solvent (Uni-Clear) tested nonhazardous and was shipped on a manifest for disposal. The germanium slurries are not wastes and are reprocessed in-house to reclaim the germanium. **Hazardous wastes now just consist of waste oil from the machines and compressors and some corrosive materials. The Company has ceased purchasing GaAs for re-sale.**
2. The Company has marked the accumulation area.
3. The Company has closed the satellite container
4. The Company has labeled the satellite accumulation container and main accumulation containers.

INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER

5. The Company has ceased discharging industrial wastewater to the septic system. The Company installed a multistage tank and filter system beneath the sink that removes particulates and returns the water to the tap. The sink discharge pipe has been disconnected.

OTHER

5. The Company has paid the \$1000.00 penalty.

No further action by the Bureau of Waste Prevention is required at this time.