# Integration of Chemical and Biological Technologies for Remediation of Contaminated Soil and Groundwater



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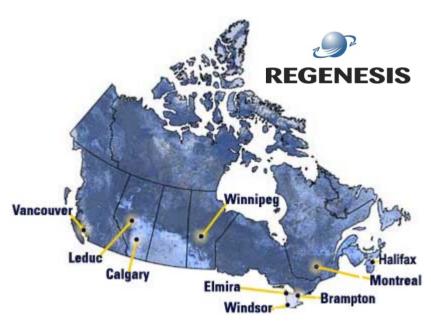






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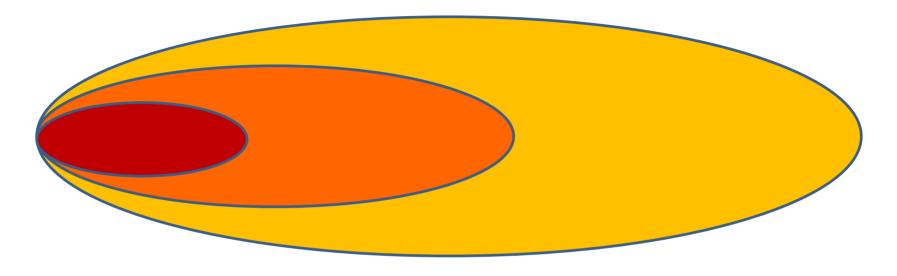








## **Treatment Train**



#### **Source Area:**

Dig & Dump Thermal

SVE

ISCO

Stabilization

#### **Core Plume Area:**

ISCO

**Bioremediation** 

Pump & Treat

#### **Dissolved Plume Area:**

**Bioremediation** 

Natural Attenuation

ISCO

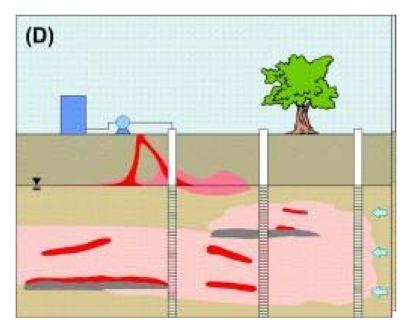
Contaminant Concentration





# In-Situ Chemical Oxidation (ISCO)

- Chemical oxidation reaction involves the breaking of chemical bonds and the removal of electrons
- Electrons are transferred from the contaminant to the oxidant
- The contaminant is oxidized and the oxidant (electron acceptor) is reduced







## Bioremediation

- The process of using microorganisms, fungi, or enzymes to treat environmental contaminants
- Aerobic degradation
  - BTEX, TPH, PAHs
- Anaerobic degradation
  - PCE, TCE, DCE, TCA, DCA
- Biostimulation: the addition of nutrients to stimulate bioremediation





# In-Situ Remedial Design

- Oxidants or substrates typically injected using direct-push equipment
- Spacing of injection points is dependent on:
  - Geology
  - Plume Size
  - Product
- Product is injected across the vertical length of the contaminated saturated zone
  - Include the smear zone
- When treating soil, spacing must be closer and water should be added
  - Water is the transport medium





# A key to success...



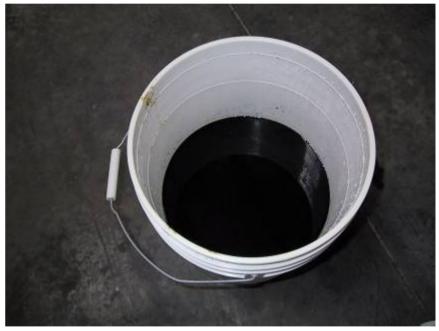






#### CHEMICAL OXIDATION REDEFINED...

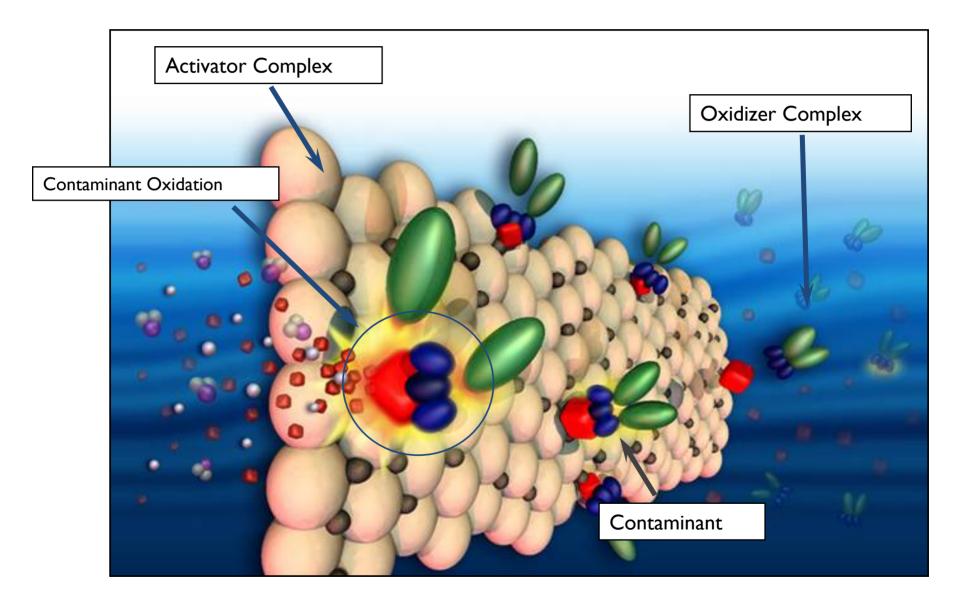




Part A: Sodium Percarbonate

Part B: Catalyst and Silica





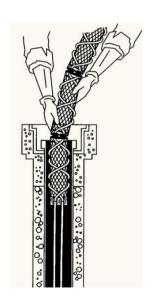




## ORC A D V A N C E D<sup>™</sup>

- ORC releases oxygen in the subsurface over a period of a year
- Oxygen is used by microorganisms in the aerobic degradation of compounds
- ORC can treat TPH, BTEX, DCE, and VC





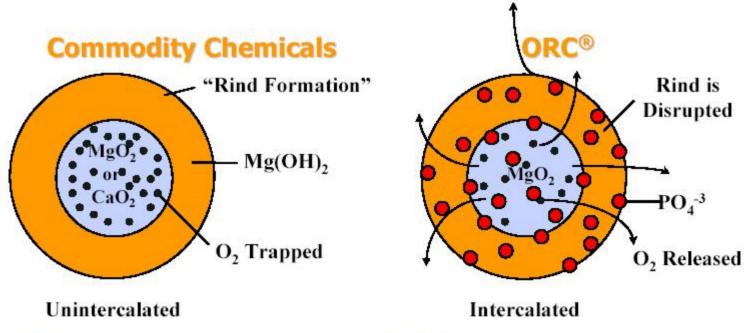
- ORC comes in pails as a white powder
- ORC can be applied to the subsurface:
  - By injection
  - Using ORC socks (left)
  - Application in trenches or excavation backfill





# Controlled Release Technology (CRT)

Unintercalated peryxogen is subject to "oxygen lock-up"



This unique process separates ORC from commodity magnesium and calcium peroxides in form and function!







- Chemical Oxidation
- Concentration in ppm
- Reaction times weeks to month



- Biological Oxidation
- Concentration in ppb
- Reaction times months to year





# Combined Remedies: Chem to Bio (Oxidation)

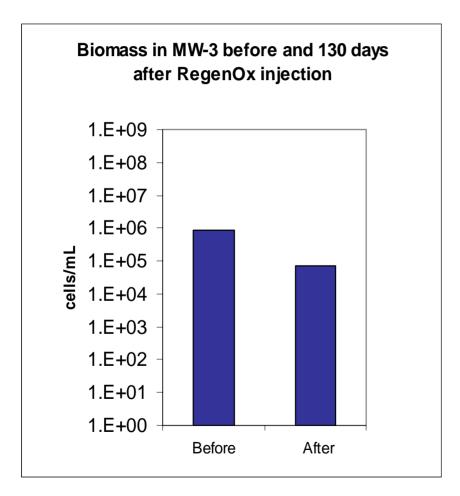
- Chemical Oxidation
  - Establishes high ORP
  - Results in high dissolved O<sub>2</sub>
  - Colorless, non-toxic, mineral-like residuals (RegenOx™)
- Aerobic Bioremediation
  - Biological Oxidation process
  - Enhanced by adding O<sub>2</sub>
  - ORC-A can be co-applied directly after or with RegenOx™

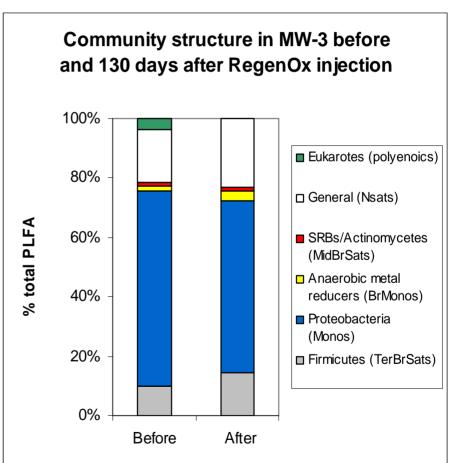
Coupling of the two oxidations is seamless





## RegenOx does not inhibit microbial growth









# **Typical Application**

#### **Direct Push**

#### For RegenOx

- 10-20 lbs/ft.
- 20-60 gal./ft.
- 5-10 ft. Spacing

#### For ORC/ORC-A

- 4-10 lbs./ft.
- 1-3 gal./ft.
- 10-30 ft. Spacing





Mix the RegenOx Part A into water until it dissolves into a milky liquid







Add Part A and Part B together to form a slurry











Mix the two parts thoroughly







Mix the ORC-A into the RegenOx





# Site 1: Manufacturing Facility

- BTEX Contamination, 46 ppm
- Excavation Treatment
- Source/Plume Treatment

• Treatment area: 9,800 ft<sup>2</sup> x 12 ft

Depth to GW: 5-7 ft

Soil Type: Sand

• GW Velocity: 0.33 ft/d





# Remediation Approach

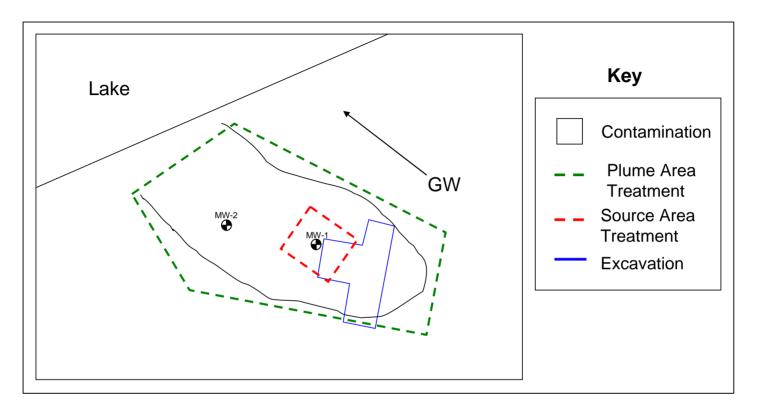
- Solution: RegenOx & ORC Advanced
- Application Type:
  - RegenOx: Direct Push Injection
  - ORC Advanced: Direct Push and Excavation Backfill
- Quantity Applied:
  - RegenOx: 12,480 lbs
  - ORC Advanced: 6,350 lbs











#### Treatment Area:

- ORC-Advanced in the plume: 9,800 ft<sup>2</sup>
- ORC Advanced in excavation pit: 2,200 ft<sup>2</sup>
- RegenOx + ORC-Advanced in the Source: 1000 ft<sup>2</sup>

## **Contaminant Concentrations**

Well MW-1 Pre-treatment Concentrations			
Contaminant	Concentration		
Benzene	2.62 μg/L		
Toluene	21,400 μg/L		
Ethylbenzene	4,200 μg/L		
Xylenes	20,500 μg/L		

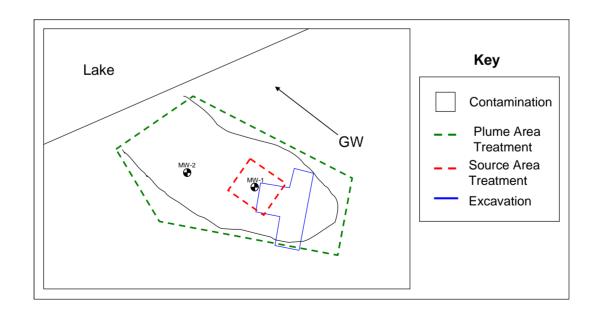
Total BTEX = 46 ppm





# **Application**

- After Excavation, 950 lbs ORC-Advanced applied to pit
- RegenOx applied in source area (downgradient edge of pit)
- 6 RegenOx Applications, through November 2006
- 6<sup>th</sup> injection: RegenOx + ORC-Advanced in source area
- ORC-Advanced injected across entire plume



## Results: January, 2007

MW-1 Results (ppb)					
Contaminant	Initial Concentration	Post Concentration	Reduction		
Benzene	3	BQL	-		
Toluene	21,400	BQL	>98 %	1700	
Ethylbenzene	4,200	730	82%	320	
Xylenes	20,500	2,000	90%	630	

Goals

**Source Area** 

### Results: January, 2007

MW-2 Results (ppb)				
Contaminant	Initial Concentration	Post Concentration	Reduction	
Benzene	BQL	BQL	-	
Toluene	BQL	BQL	-	
Ethylbenzene	672	364	46%	
Xylenes	2,570	91	96%	

1700 320 Goals 630

**Plume Area** 





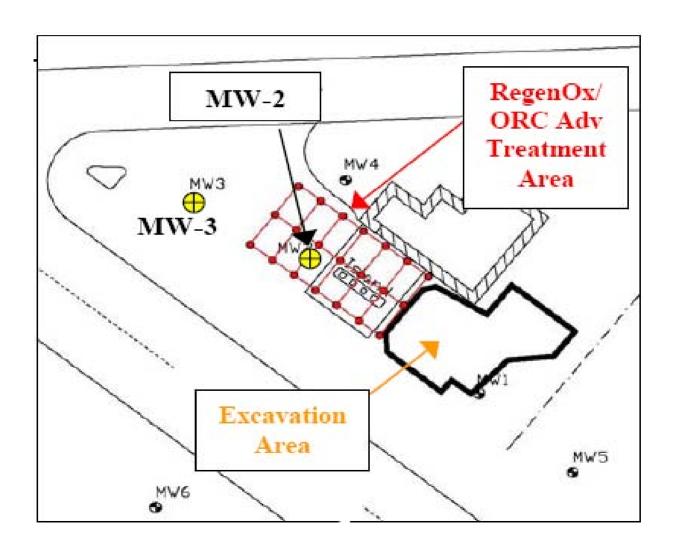
# Summary

- Combined RegenOx/ORC-Advanced application
- 2 months into bioremediation phase, BTEX levels at or near goals in all wells.
- In hottest well, total BTEX from 46 ppm to 2.7 ppm
- GW concentrations indicate that contaminant mass reduced significantly





# Site 2: LUST Site in Alabama







## **Site Characteristics**

- Service Station in Central Alabama
- Tanks excavated years before RegenOx and ORC-A injections
- Shallow silt overlying silty sand
- Depth to water 5 ft bgs
- Treatment thickness 12 feet (5-17 ft bgs)

Contaminant	Baseline (MW-2)	Baseline (MW-3)
Total BTEX	17.5 mg/L	0.220 mg/L





# Remediation Approach

Direct-push injection

Product	Vertical Thickness	Inj. Pts	Spacing
RegenOx	12 ft	28	8 x 8 ft
ORC Advanced	12 ft	20	8 x 10 ft

- Product Amounts
  - RegenOx 4,650 lbs
  - ORC Advanced 1,200 lbs
- Product Cost
  - RegenOx \$9,068
  - ORC Advanced \$10,500





# **Remediation Timeline**

	RegenOx	ORC Advanced
January '06	1350 lbs	
Feb '06	1630 lbs	600 lbs
October '06	1680 lbs	
November '06		600 lbs

## **Ground Water Results**

#### **MW-2**

	Baseline	3/2006	6/2006	11/2006
BTEX	17.5 mg/L	10.90 mg/L	0.973 mg/L	0.588 mg/L

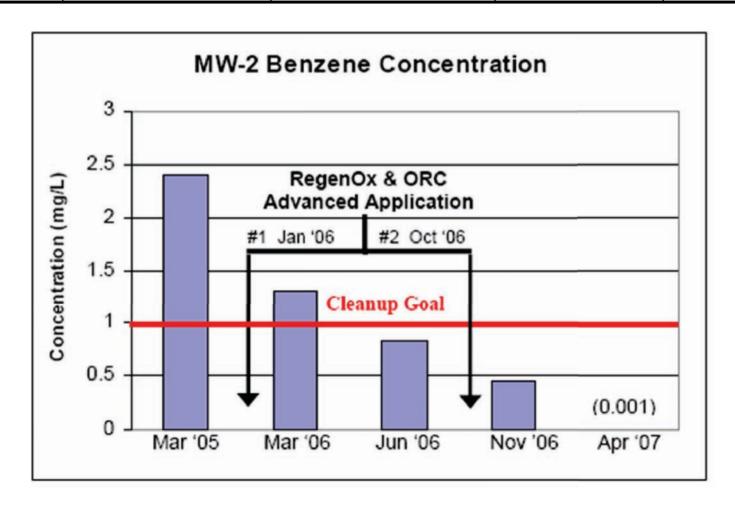
#### **MW-3**

	Baseline	3/2006	6/2006	11/2006
BTEX	0.220 mg/L	0.128 mg/L	0.242 mg/L	0.042 mg/L





Contaminant	Pre-Treatment Concentration (ppm)	Post-Treatment Concentration (ppm)	Cleanup Goal	Percent Reduction
Benzene	2.4	0.001	0.99	99%
BTEX	17.5	0.004	NA	99%

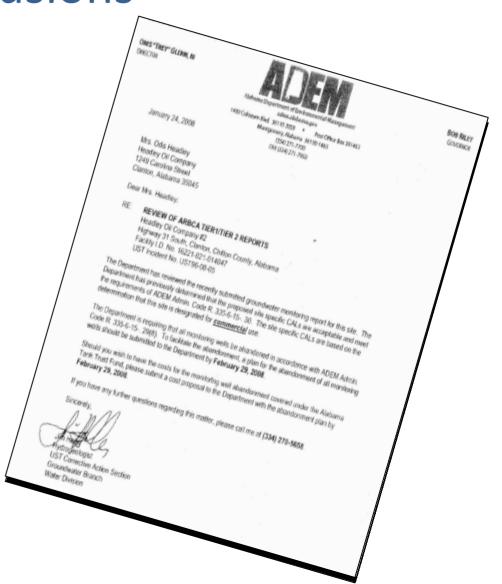






## **Conclusions**

- Clean-up goals reached within 6-months
- BTEX level maintained for 1 ½ years
- Closure was granted and the property has been redeveloped







## Conclusions

- Chemical oxidation (RegenOx) is good at reducing mass quickly and effectively
- Bioremediation (ORC) is a good polishing step
- The combination of these two technologies is an effective, low-cost solution for treating aerobically degradable compounds