Vapor Release Research



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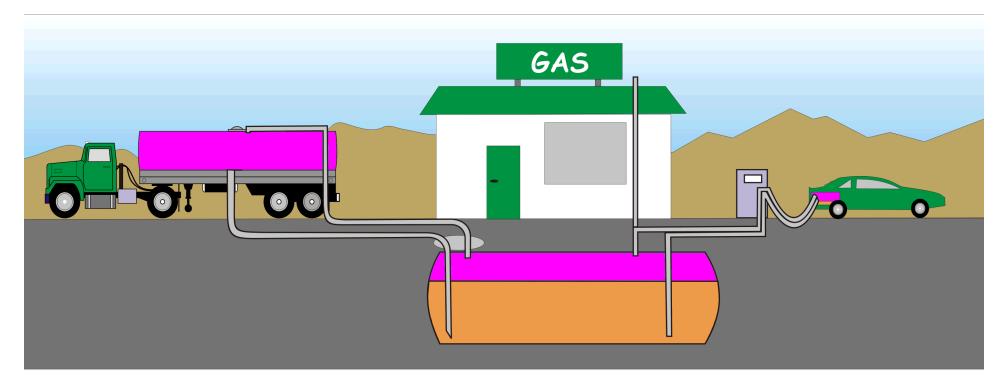
MtBE Trends Post Transition

- - ▲ 29,800 ppb avg. MtBE drop in groundwater at UST facility
 - ▲ Well Closest to USTs
 - ▲ Before End of 2006
 - ▲ 110 of 116 sites or 95% of sites
 - ▲2,600 ppb avg. increase @ remaining 6 sites
 - Detached plumes coming



UST Pressurization

Stage I - Vapor Recovery Slower than UST Filling



Stage II - Higher Volume of Vapors Recovered than Liquid Pumped (A/L>1).

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Leaky ATG



Dry Break Leak

Leak in new, just out of box, dry break



UST gravel pack

Oil Company Joint Research

- DES/UNH/Oil Company w/ API/EPA assistance
- Intensive Inspection/Repair Program, 21 Stations (77 leaks, 4/station)
- Leak Rate Measurement Study (dry break, ATG, Fill Adapter cap w/ three leak rates)
- Stage II Site Pilot (seven sites)

Pilot Sites

- Control
- Repair Sites
 - ▲ Pressure Decay Testing
 - Enhanced Inspection
 - ▲ Veeder Root ISD system and repairs
- Pressure Reduction Sites
 - ▲ VST Vent Processor
 - ▲ Healy ORVR Compatible Nozzle and Bladder Tank
- Leak Collection Site
 - ▲ SVE system



Instrumentation

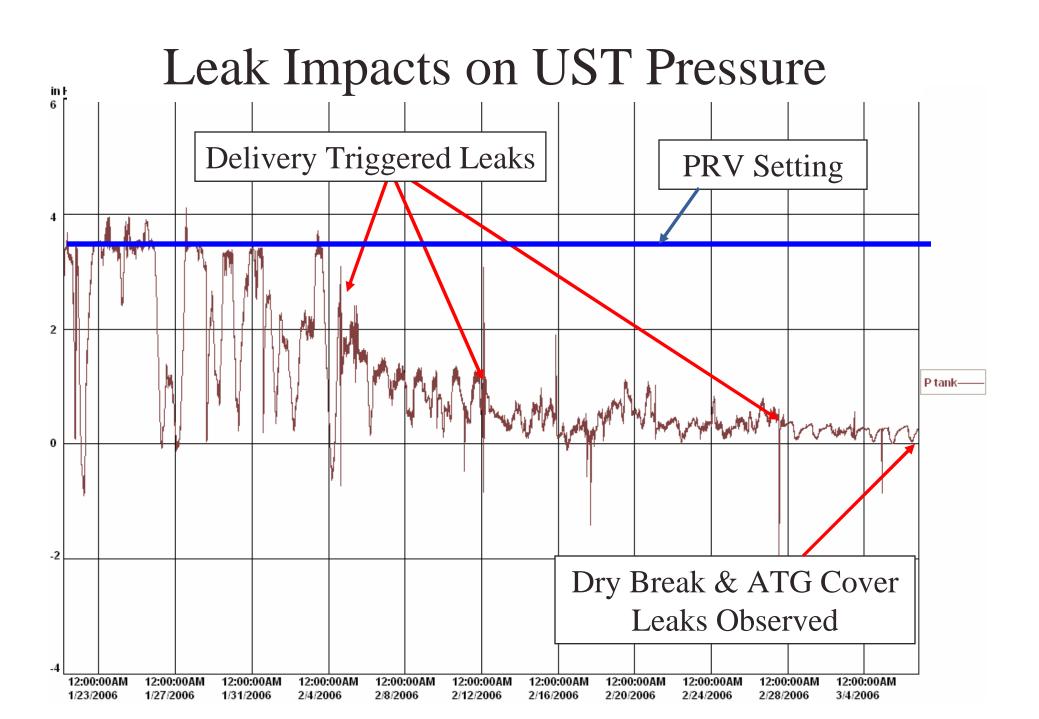
- ▲ All Sites for 1 year
 - Continuous Pressure Monitoring
 - ▲ Soil & Tank Temperature
 - Groundwater VOCs & Water Level
 - ▲ Station Throughput & Deliveries
 - ▲ Soil Gas (tank pad & nearest MW)
 - Equipment Operational Data
 - ▲ SVE Influent Concentrations
 - ▲ Down time, maintenance requirements...
- - ▲ ISD Data Package



LEAK REPAIR:
Tanks can be
patched up but
leaks reoccur

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Repair Approach Findings

- Leak Frequency
 - ▲ 22 Large Leaks in 7 mo.
 - Repairs Lasted an Average of 58 Days
- Types of Repairs
 - ▲ 4 Dry Breaks, 15 Fill Caps, 1 Drain Valve, 5 ATGs, 3 Drop Tube Gaskets, 7 Fill Adapter Gaskets
- Pressure Decay Test Issue
 - ▲ Soil Gas VOCs Elevated after Test, N₂ cylinder volume @ STP 1,050 gallons

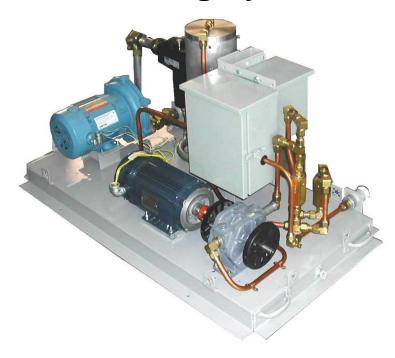


PRESSURE:
Tanks behave
badly when
under pressure

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Pressurization Mitigation Technologies

VST/ARID Vapor Processing Systems



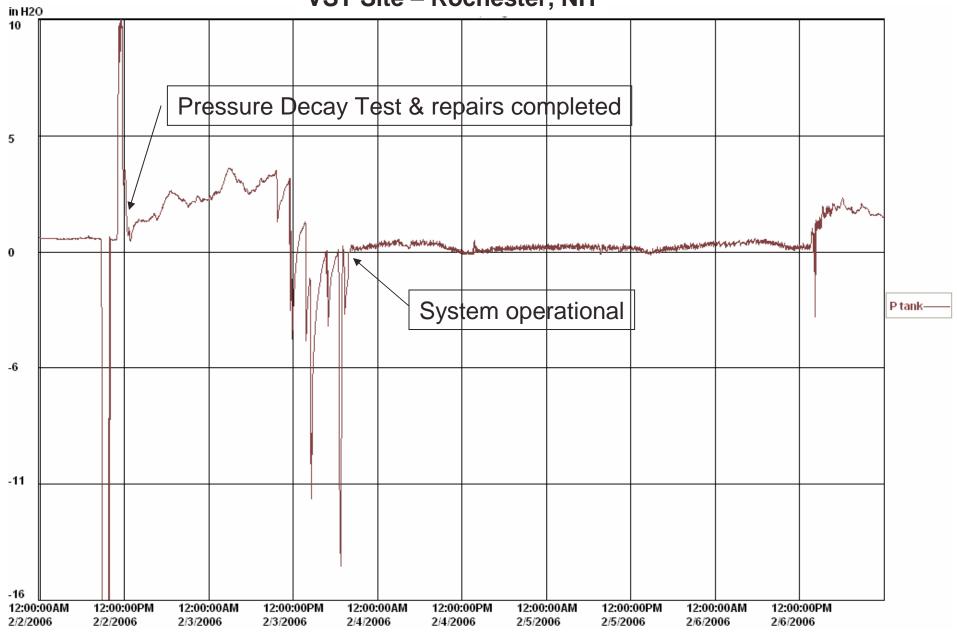
- Pressure Management
- Lower Product Evaporative Losses

Healy ORVR Compatible Nozzles

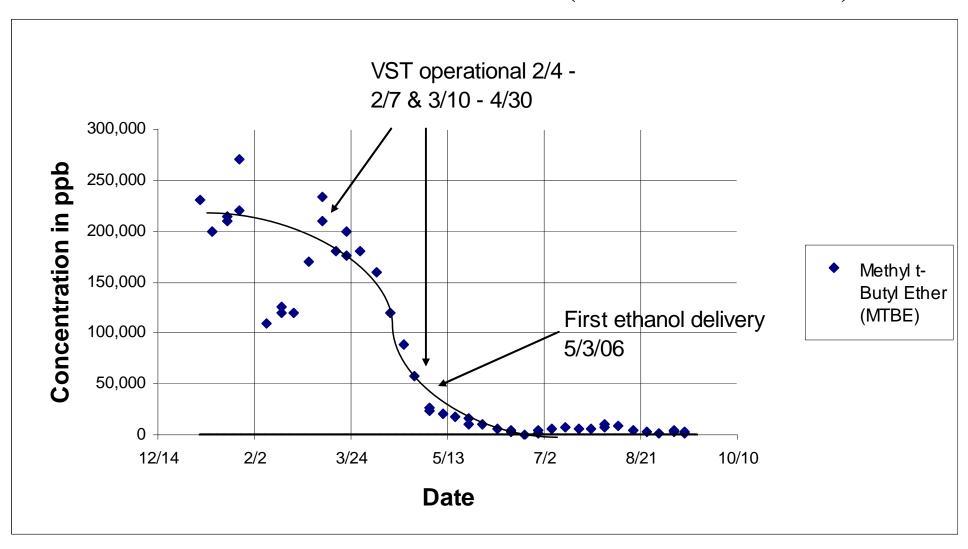


- Reduced A/L
- Lower UST Pressures
- Lower Product Evaporative Losses

VST Site – Rochester, NH



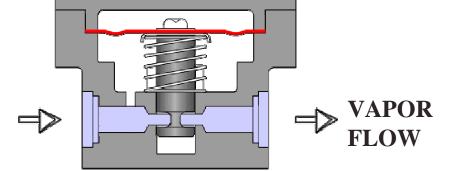
Groundwater MtBE Trends (VST Installation)



ORVR Compatible Nozzle Components

Whip Hose

Breakaway



ORVR Sensor

Hose

GVR hanging hardware

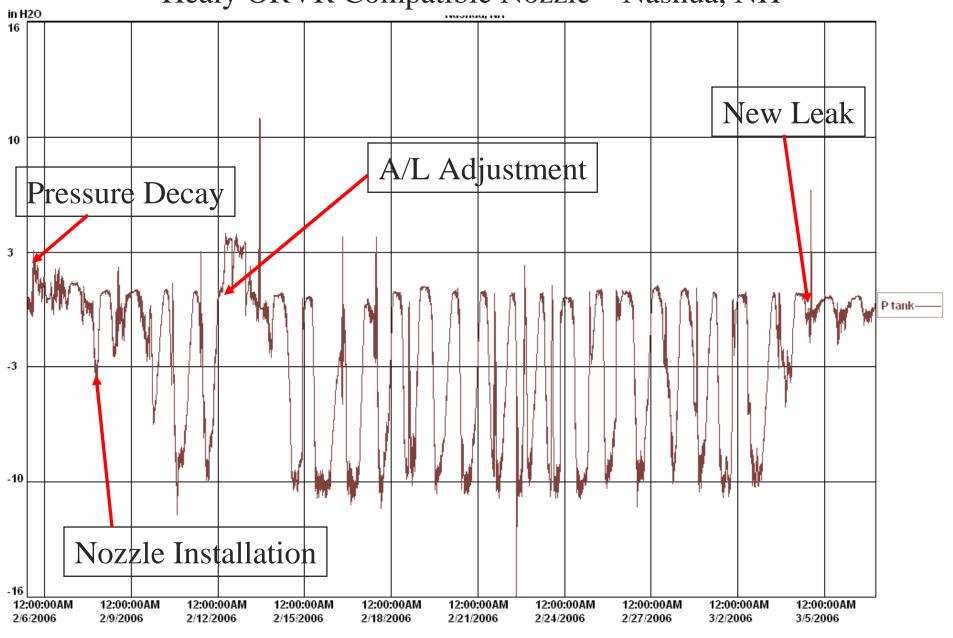
ORVR Sensor

> Stage II EVR Assist

Nozzle

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Healy ORVR Compatible Nozzle – Nashua, NH



Nashua Site Data

Date/Event	T. Pad Headspace VOCs (ppm)	MW Headspace VOCs (ppm)	Groundwater VOCs MtBE/TBA (ppb)			
1/12/06 to 1/26/06*	714 average	369 average	30,750/ 13,500			
1/30/06 Pressure Decay 2/8/06 Healy Nozzle Installed						
2/15/06	2	5	29,000/<20,000			
2/22/06	6	3	6,200/ 6,000			
3/1/06	1	0	2,800/ 2,700			
3/8/06	2	6	1,600/ 1500			
4/12/06	5	0	260/ 1,000			
5/25/06	7	0	702/ 814 (w/o ORVR compatibility)			

Notes: * Four background sample rounds

Overall Findings

Pressure Reduction Effective (Reduce A/L or pressure management system)

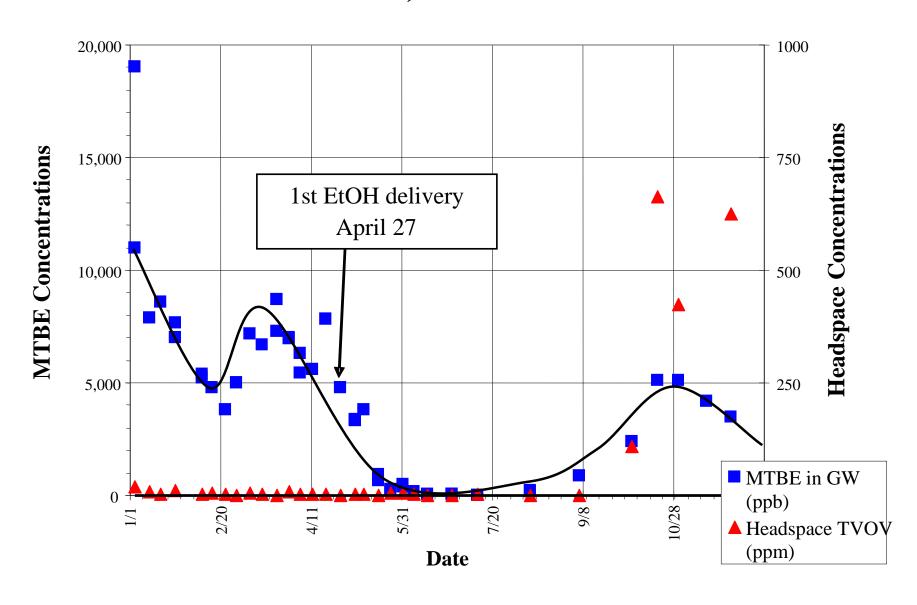
- Inspection/Repair
 - ▲ Inspections/testing failed to fix key leaks
 - ▲ Leaks too frequent to address w/o upgrading hardware
 - ▲ Deliveries apparently triggered leaks

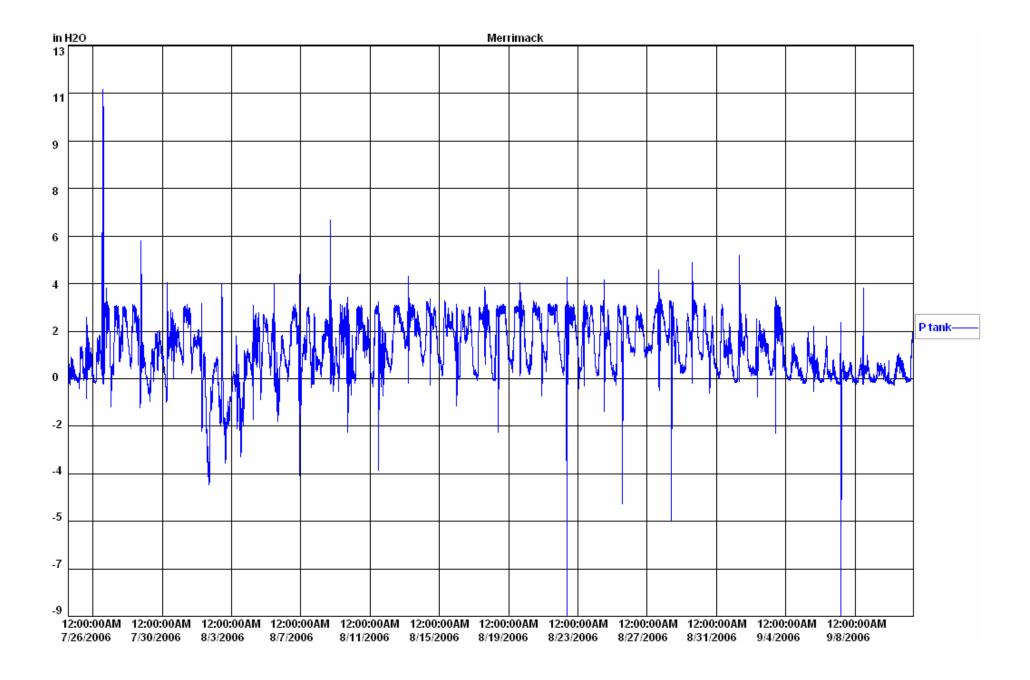
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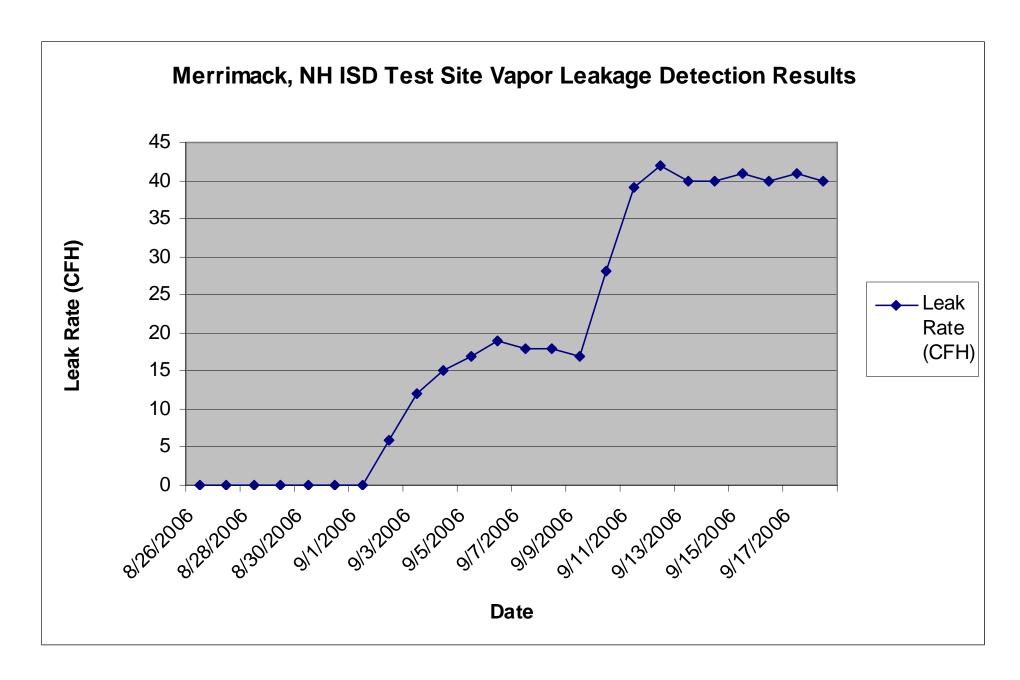
- Statewide Site Closure Rate
 - ▲ Increasing at Sites w/ Active Gas Tanks (8 in 2004, 11 in 2005 and 26 in 2006)
- "Small" Ongoing Releases
 - ▲ Significant Vapor Release Problem w/ MtBE
 - ▶ Problem Limited to Larger Releases w/o MtBE
 - ▲ 5 of 7 Sites in Pilot Addressed by MtBE Transition, 1 site w/ benzene and 1 w/ BTEX problem remaining
 - ▲ Benzene, Other Ethers, Low Concentration MtBE Groundwater Problems



Merrimack Site, MW-5 near tanks







Note: Graphic Provided by Veeder Root

Vapor Release Study - Merrimack

Date	MW-5 HS VOCs	MW-5 MtBE (ppb)	MW-5 Benzene (ppb)	Comments
3/30/2006	9	7,000	<100	
4/27/2006	1	4,800	<50	Date of EtOH transition
7/12/2006	3	21	0.9	
10/5/2006	110	2,400	<50	Larger leak(s)
11/15/06	N/M	4,200	110	
1/10/2007	387	1,300	140	

ETBE Concentrations

Date	MW-3 @ UST	Pump n Treat	Drinking Water Supply	Comments
7/25 - 8/30/05	<2ppb	<2ppb	<2ppb	
8/23/2005				Katrina
1/18 — 1/26/06	55ppb	25.3ppb	<.5ppb	European imports w/ EtBE
4/20 - 4/28/06	28ppb	8.0ppb	<2.5ppb	
10/5/06 — 11/22/06	<.5ppb	<4ppb	0.88ppb	1 year travel time

Note: Date range used because of different sampling schedule for NPDES permit.

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