

# **Fedexsol**

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**Vlabotex npo**  
**Flemish soil**  
**remediation fund for**  
**drycleaning sites**

## **Part 2**

# **Technical operation of VLABOTEX npo**

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# Soil remediation of dry cleaners - Problems

## 1. Soil remediation of dry cleaners

### Problems

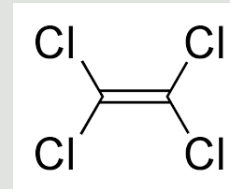
90 % operated with tetrachloorethene (PCE)

Former contamination caused by:

- spills with PCE and PCE containing waste (sludge / contactwater)
- overfilling of the dry cleaning system
- leakage of the sewer system

Soil- and groundwater contamination with PCE and degradation products

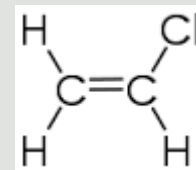
tetrachloroethene (PCE)



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trichloroethene (TCE)

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dichloroethene (DCE)

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vinylchloride (VC)

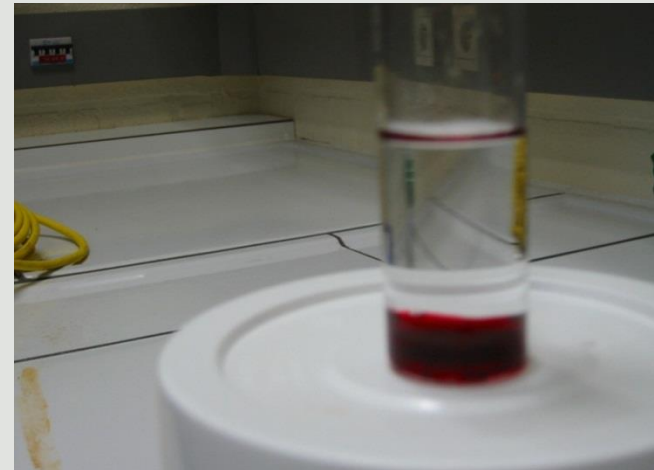


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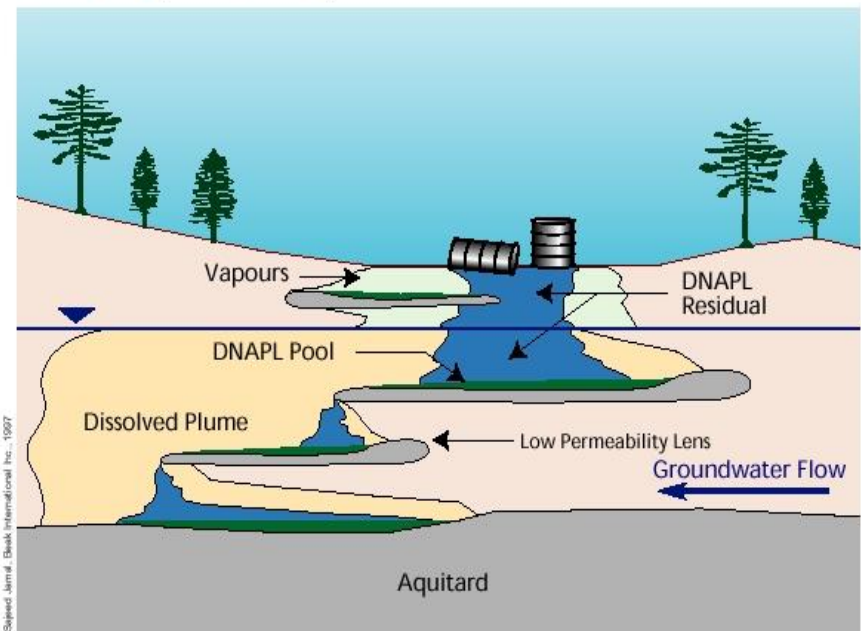
## Problems

### Chlorinated solvents

- dense non-aqueous phase (DNAPL)
- immiscible-liquid phase
- denser than water
- volatile (path-way: inhalation!)
- toxic
- recalcitrant
- very low solubility
- complex migration pattern in the soil



Dense Non-Aqueous Phase Liquids (DNAPLs)



## 1. Soil remediation of dry cleaners

### Problems

- Major pollution areas in urban zone
    - presence of buildings
    - proximity of residents / receptors
    - path ways: drinking water, inhalation air,...
  
  - Poor financial capacity of the dry cleaners, the cost of the soil remediation often exceeds:
    - financial strength of the company/owner
    - value of the property
  
  - Soil investigation & remediation is difficult and expensive
- ⇒ **abandoned sites / brownfields / city cancers**



Where drilling????



1.  
Soil remediation  
of dry cleaners

Problems



**1.**  
**Soil remediation**  
**of dry cleaners**

**Solution**

**Solution!**

The professional federation (FBT) of the dry-cleaners did great efforts to set up a soil remediation organisation VLABOTEX npo.

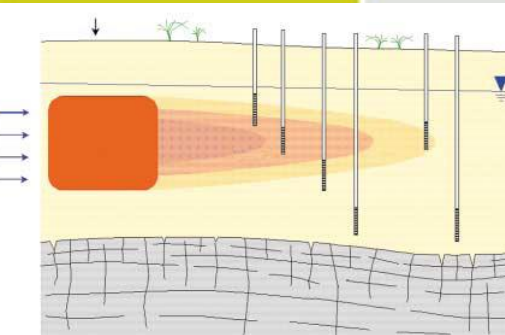
**Principles:**

- limited financial strenght of the dry cleaning sector
- the 'the polluter pays' principle
- financial strenght of the individual applicant has to be taken in account
- defined contribution with subsidy (till 50%)

## 2. A new guideline: how to deal with pollution of chlorinated solvent caused by (former) dry cleaners: **Code of Good Practice VLABOTEX**

2.  
Why a new  
Code of good  
practice  
VLABOTEX?

- intention: how to make soil investigation & remediation technically and economically feasible?
- (very) limited VOC-remediation works are successful till today



➤ contamination due to dry cleaning process is characterized by a core zone (pure product). This zone contains the bulk of the mass (> 80%) while < 10% of the volume.

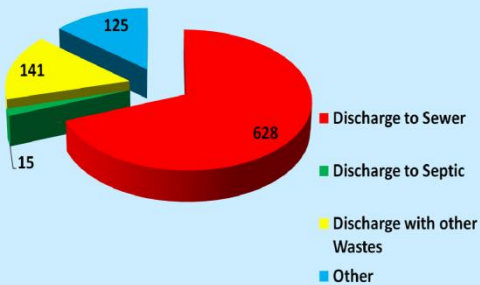


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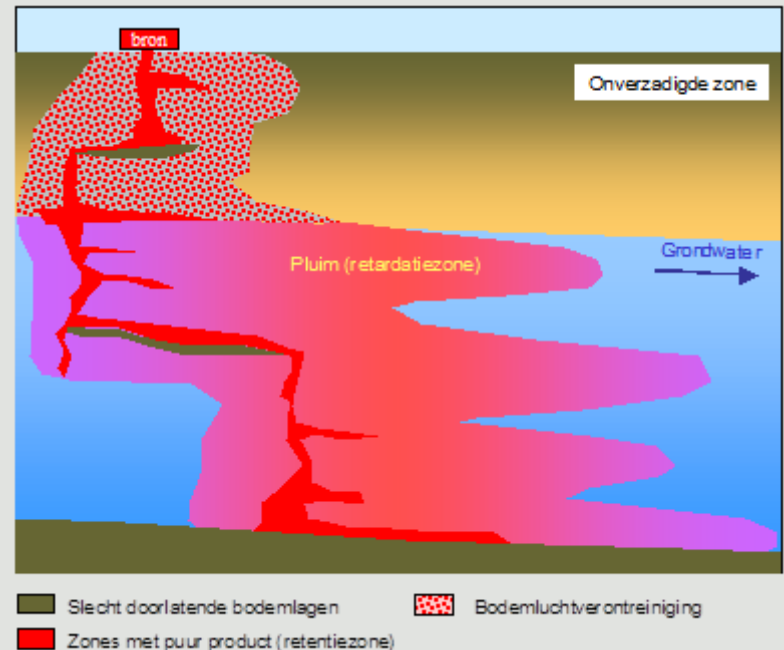
- previous soil investigations mainly focused on VOCl plume & not/less on core zone
- very expensive / inefficient / never-ending remediation works  
⇒ many failures
- CGP: focus on core zone
  
- behavior of VOC in soil requires a special investigation & remediation approach
  
- more efficient methods for soil investigations needed: stimulation of the fast screening methods (PID, liners, Red Oil, MIP,...)

- sufficient screening of all potential sources of contamination is necessary
  - historical research
  - sewerage: 67 % Vlabotex sites
  - most probably related to contact water

Separator Water Disposal Practices at 909 U. S. Drycleaning Facilities  
 International Fabricare Institute Equipment & Plant Operations Survey - 1988



- focus on hydrogeology



## 2. Why a new Code of good practice VLABOTEX?

2.

Why a new  
Code of good  
practice  
VLABOTEX?

- quality standard for soil investigations and remediation works  $\Rightarrow$  lessons learned !?!
- public money: investigation and remediation as cost-efficiently as possible (BATNEEC)

**CGP VLABOTEX: new approach in VOC-treatment**

**FIRST THE CORE ZONE THEN THE PLUME ZONE.**

3. Overview  
procedure for  
the soil  
remediation

# Overview of the operation procedure

Phased descriptive soil investigation



Phased remediation project



Remediations works



Phased descriptive soil investigation



Phased remediation project



Remediations works

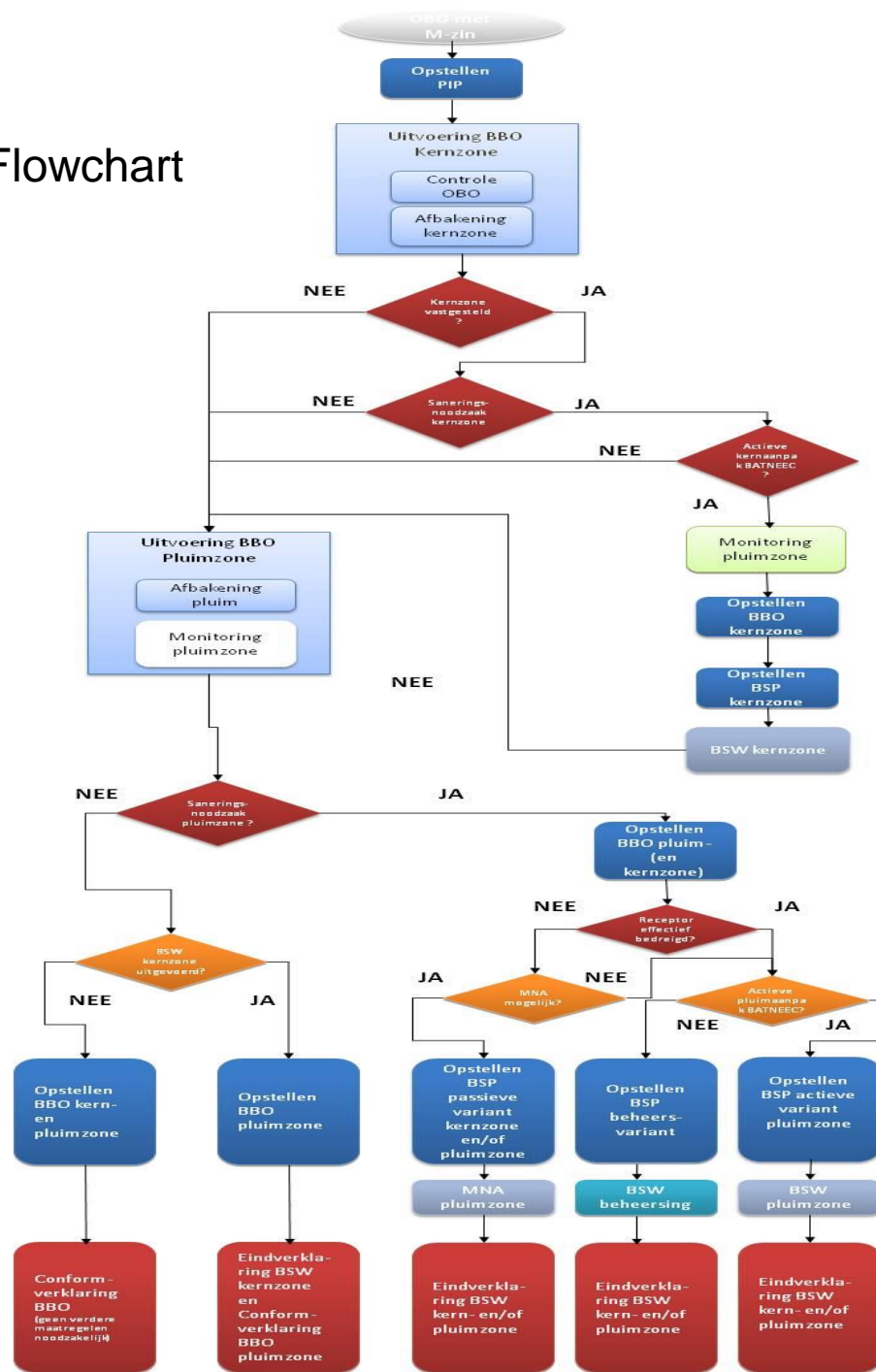


core zone



plume zone

# Flowchart



## 3. Overview procedure

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#### Phased descriptive soil investigation - core zone

## Phase 1 :

### Phased descriptive soil investigation core zone

**Core zone**: zone where the contamination in the soil is in the form of *pure product*. This covers both the zone with residual product and the zone of free product and contamination adsorbed to soil particles in the saturated and unsaturated zone.

#### AIMS:

- detailed screening of potential contamination sources, gaps former investigations
- detailed delineation core zone (horizontal & vertical contour)
- risk analysis : determine present & potential human risk (exposure routes) / distribution risk and ecotoxicological risk

### 3. Overview procedure

Phased  
descriptive soil  
investigation -  
core zone

- Plume migration & potential risk to receptors
- Attention to field work!
  - soil sampling: metal core sampling
  - groundwater sampling: filter fully into saturated zone
  - **fast screening methods**
    - ✓ PID measurements in plastic bag
    - ✓ Liners (detail description geology)
    - ✓ Soil vapor measurements
    - ✓ MIP probing (screening vertical distribution of contaminant)
    - ✓ Red oil test (pure product test)

# Manual drilling soil sampling VOC: metal core

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fieldwork





# Volatile compounds metal cylinder sampling

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# PID measurements

fast screening  
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# PID measurements

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Boring	diepte	PID	Analyses grond	mg/kg (>BSN)	analyse grondwater (µg/l)
P201	0-40	74			
700-800	40-80	260			PER: 44
	80-120	260			
	120-160	6040**	120-160	PER: 2600	
	160-200	5020**			
	200-240	2500*			
	240-280	2040*			
	280-320	2400*			
	320-360	2000*			
	360-400	200			
	400-440	135			
	440-480	10	440-480	PER: 0,66	
	480-520	0			
	520-560	0			
	560-600	0			
	600-640	0			
	640-680	0			
	680-720	0			
	720-760	0			
	760-800	0	760-800	<RW	

Boring	diepte	PID	Analyses grond	mg/kg (>BSN)
B600	0-720	0		
	720-760	0	720-760	<RW
	760-800	182	760-800	PER: 14
	800-840	11		
	840-880	0		
	880-920	0		
	920-960	0	920-960	<RW
alcoholstifttest		19		

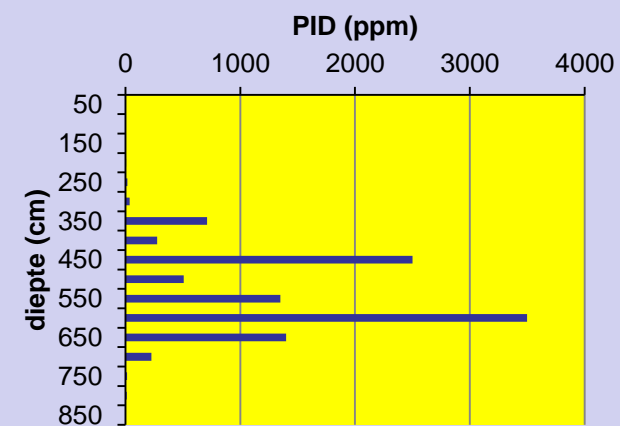
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B6011	0-50	0		
	50-100	0		
	100-150	0		
	150-200	0		
	200-250	6,9		
	250-300	12,4		
	300-350	6,6	300-320	PER: 12
	350-400	0		
	400-450	2		
	450-500	10,4	500-520	PER < RW; VC: 3,9; C
alcoholstifttest		158		
B6003	0-50	0		
	50-100	56		
	100-150	76,8	110-130	PER: 6,5
	150-200	410		
	200-250	471		
	250-300	2700*	250-270	PER: 9,9
	300-350	280		
	350-400	128		
	400-450	42	400-450	PER: 2,3
	450-500	58		
	500-550	22		
alcoholstifttest		178		
B6004	0-50	0		
	50-100	1,7		
	100-150	1,4		
	150-200	9		
	200-250	76,5	200-220	PER: 3,9
	250-300	25		
	300-350	169	300-320	PER: 6,1
	350-400	45		

Naam boorpunt en filterdiepte (cm -mv)	Zone	Diepte (cm -mv)	PID (ppm)	Analyses grond					Analyse grondwater				Retentiecapaciteit overschreden voor PER?	Opmer		
				Staalnamediepte (cm-mv)	Concentratie (mg/kg DS)				OM (%)	Filterdiepte (cm- mv)	Concentratie (µg/l)					
					PER	TRI	CIS	VC			PER	TRI			CIS	VC
B116		alcohol stift	2830													
		0-50	2,3	20-40	4,1	0,04	<0,02	<0,01	0,4							
		50-100	10,3													
		100-150	1,8	100-120	1,5	<0,02	<0,02	<0,01								
		150-200	0,1													
	alcohol stift	2950														
PB117		alcohol stift	3108													
		0-50	10,8	20-40	10	0,18	0,13	<0,01	0,7							
		50-100	26,9	50-100	46	0,3	0,15	<0,01								
		100-150	9,8	100-120	2,9	0,024	<0,02	<0,01	0,1							
		150-200	0,4													
		200-250	0													
		250-300	0	250-300	0,54	<0,02	<0,02	<0,01	0,1	200-300	5700	110	150	0,52	Neen	
	alcohol stift	3081														
PB118		alcohol stift	3750													
		0-50	0,3	20-40	9,5	0,27	0,23	<0,01								
		50-100	87	50-100	52	0,53	0,27	<0,01								
		100-150	0,5	100-120	61	0,58	0,33	<0,01								
		150-200	0													
		200-250	0							200-300	5900	57	30	<0,1		
		250-300	0,2													
	alcohol stift	3459														
B119		alcohol stift	1450													
		0-50	5,8	20-40	3,8	0,058	<0,02	<0,01								
		50-100	3,4													
		100-150	11,2	100-120	7,3	0,055	<0,02	<0,01								
		150-200	0,1	180-200	0,32	<0,02	<0,02	<0,01								
	alcohol stift	1324														
PB120		alcohol stift	1319													
		0-50	6,4	20-40	8,6	0,14	<0,02	<0,01	1,1							
		50-100	2,1													
		100-150	3,4	100-120	2,6	<0,02	<0,02	<0,01								
		150-200	0													
		200-250	0													
	250-300	0							170-270							

## PID meting ifv diepte



# mechanical drilling

## Pulsing into the saturated zone

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# mechanical drilling Geoprobe - direct push liners

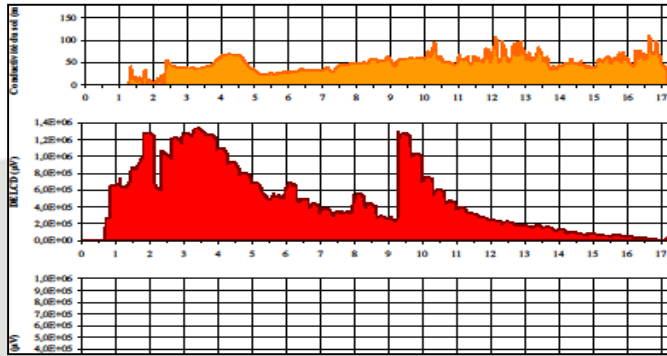
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# MIP - Membrane Interface Probe

fast screening methods

Phased descriptive soil investigation - core zone

fieldwork



fast screening  
 methods

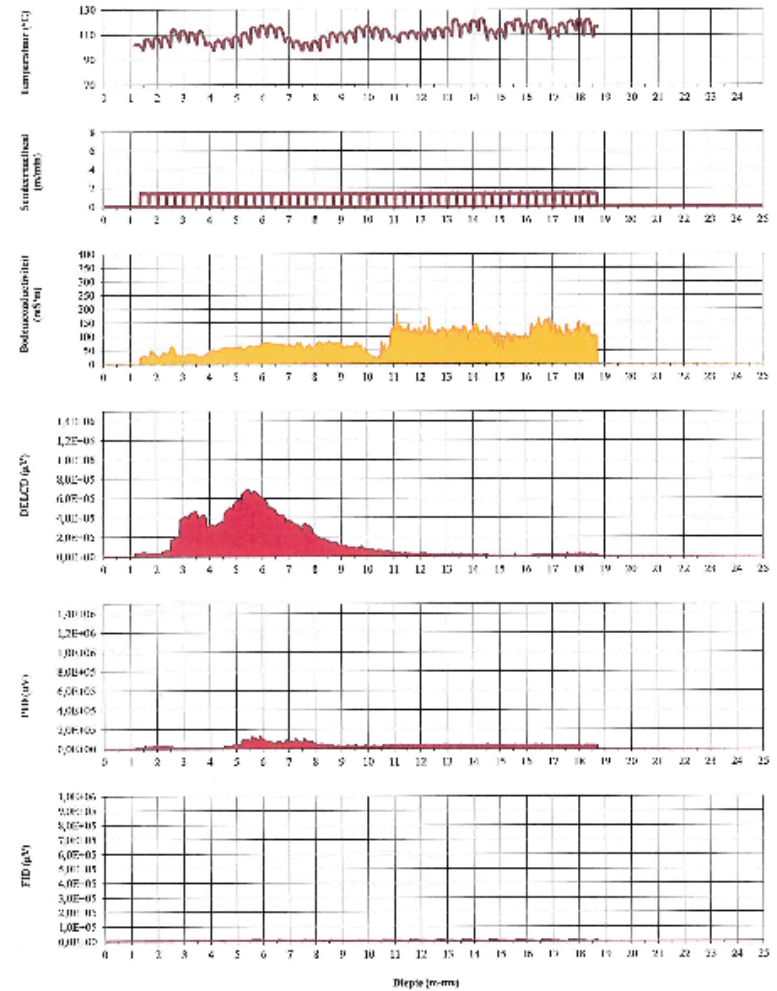
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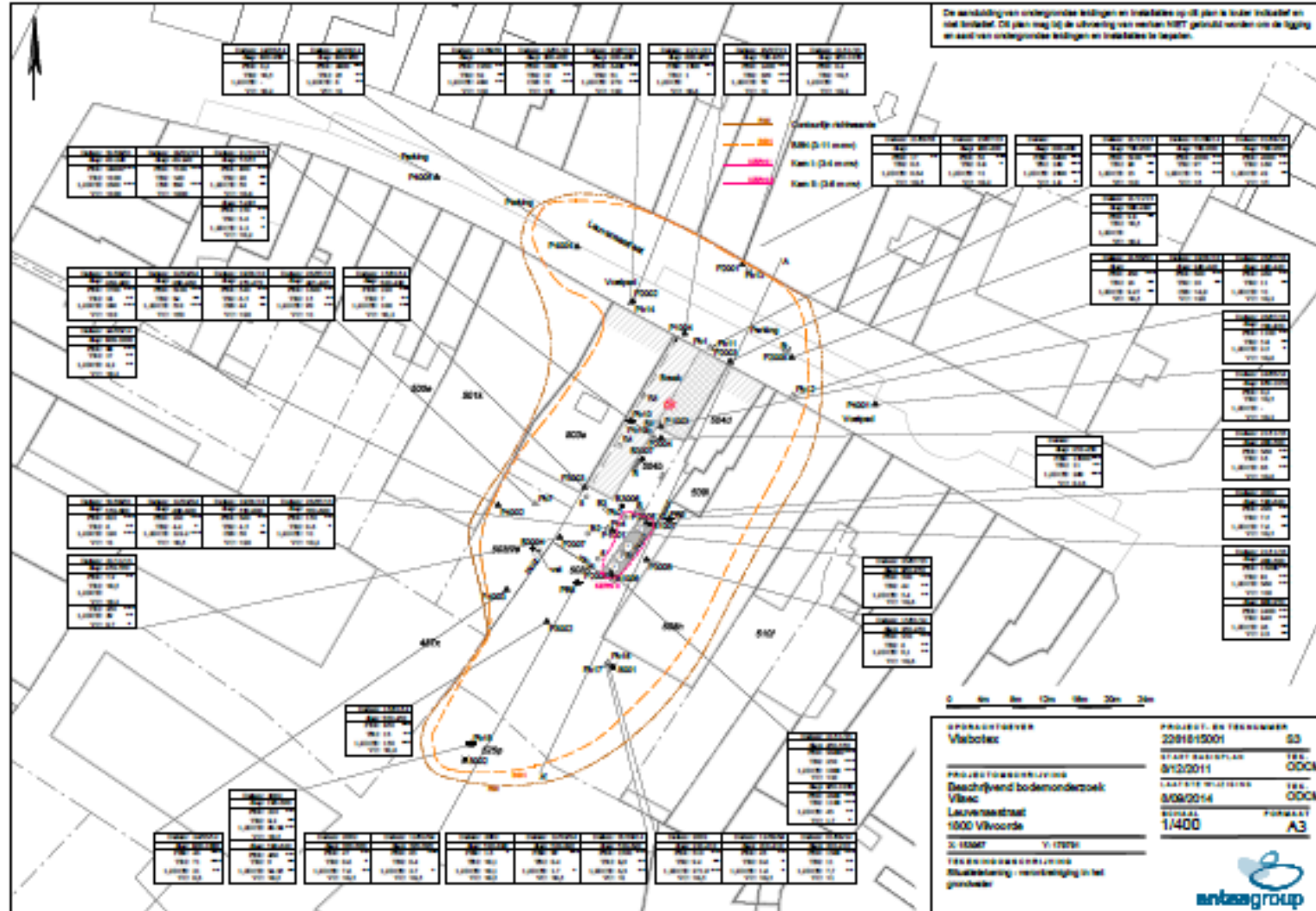


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 Diepsonderingen II, Verbeke hvba  
 Datum: 15-05-2013  
 Operator: Ruben Vlieghe Durt Lauwers



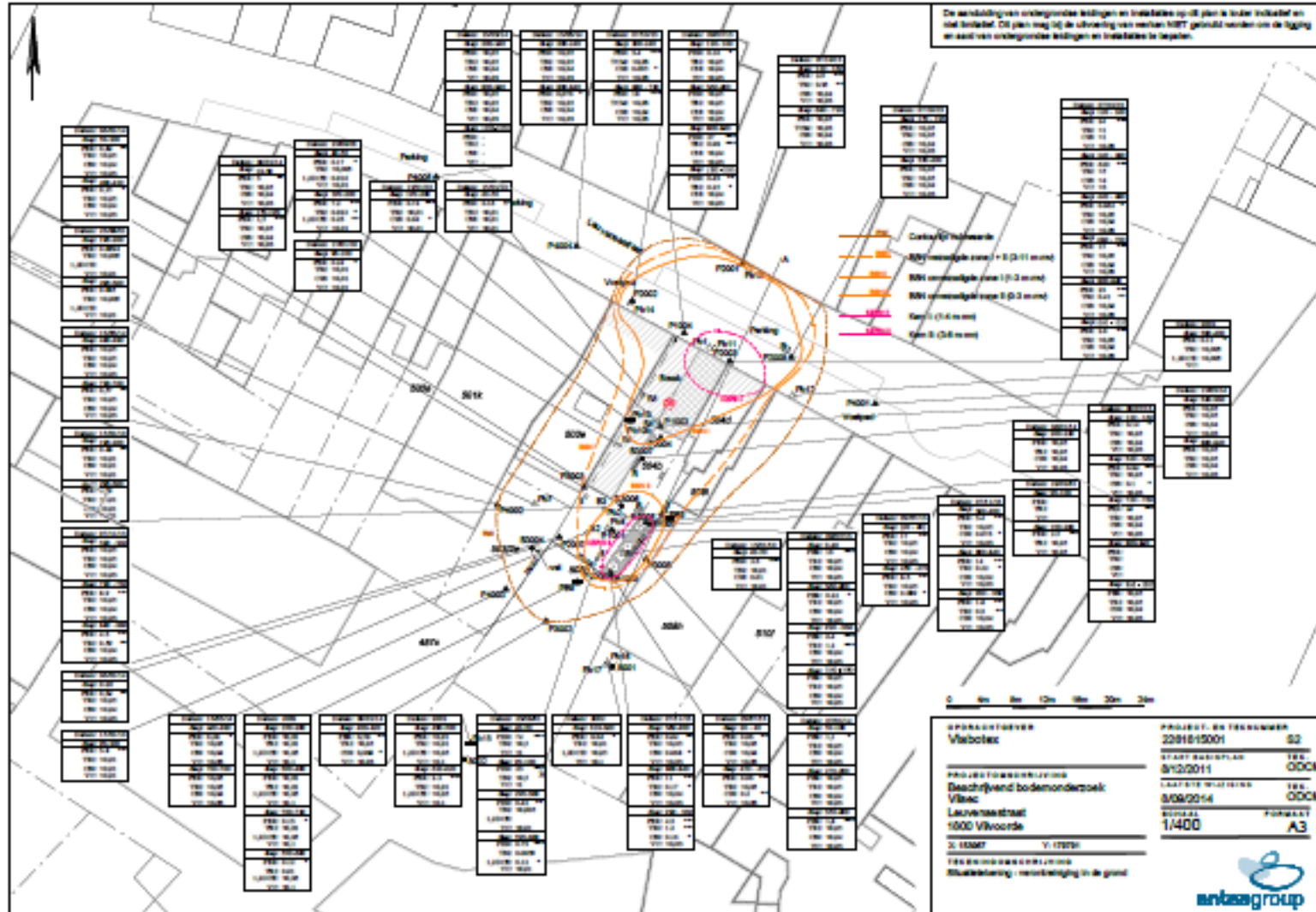
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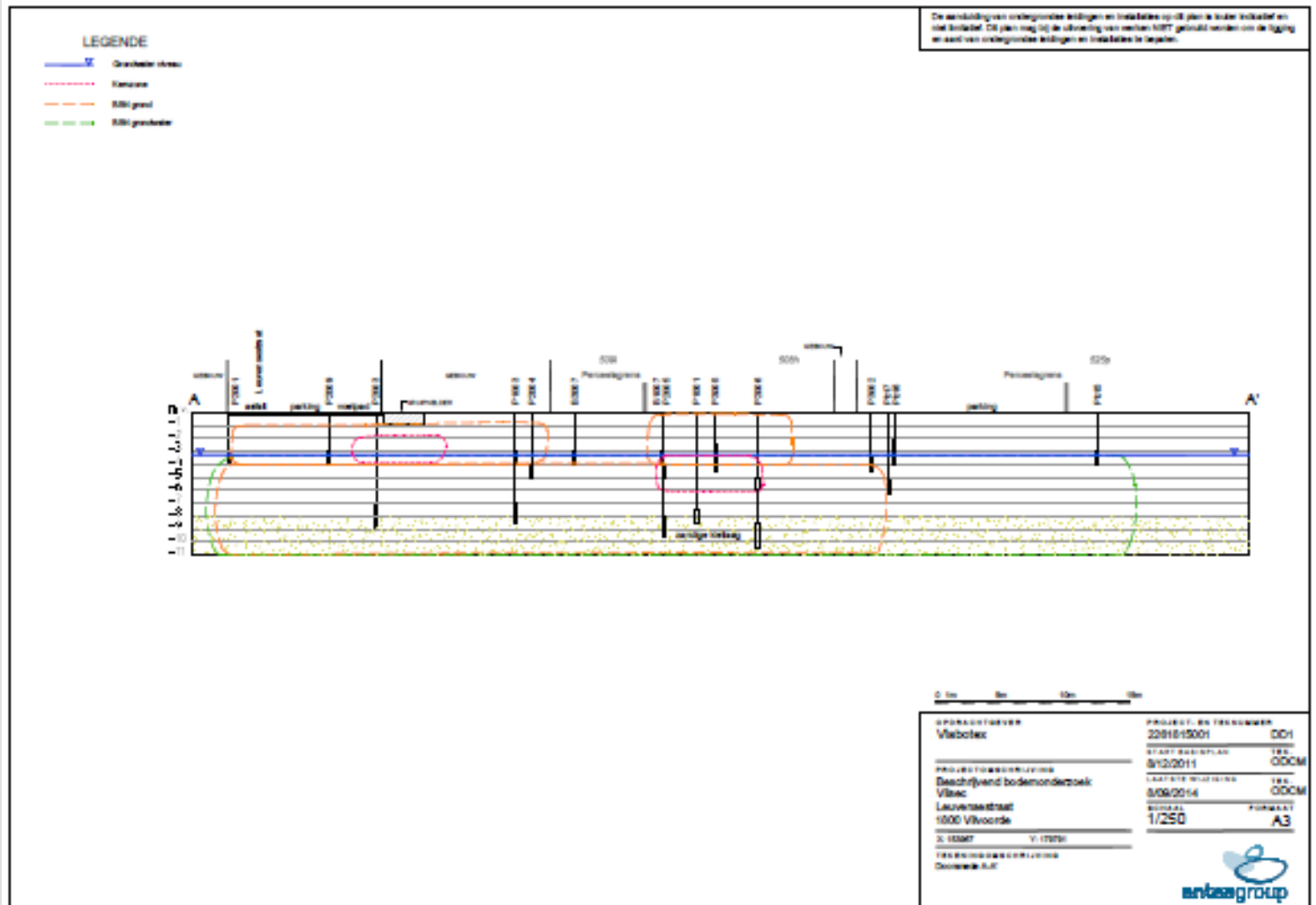
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# Overview plan vertical section

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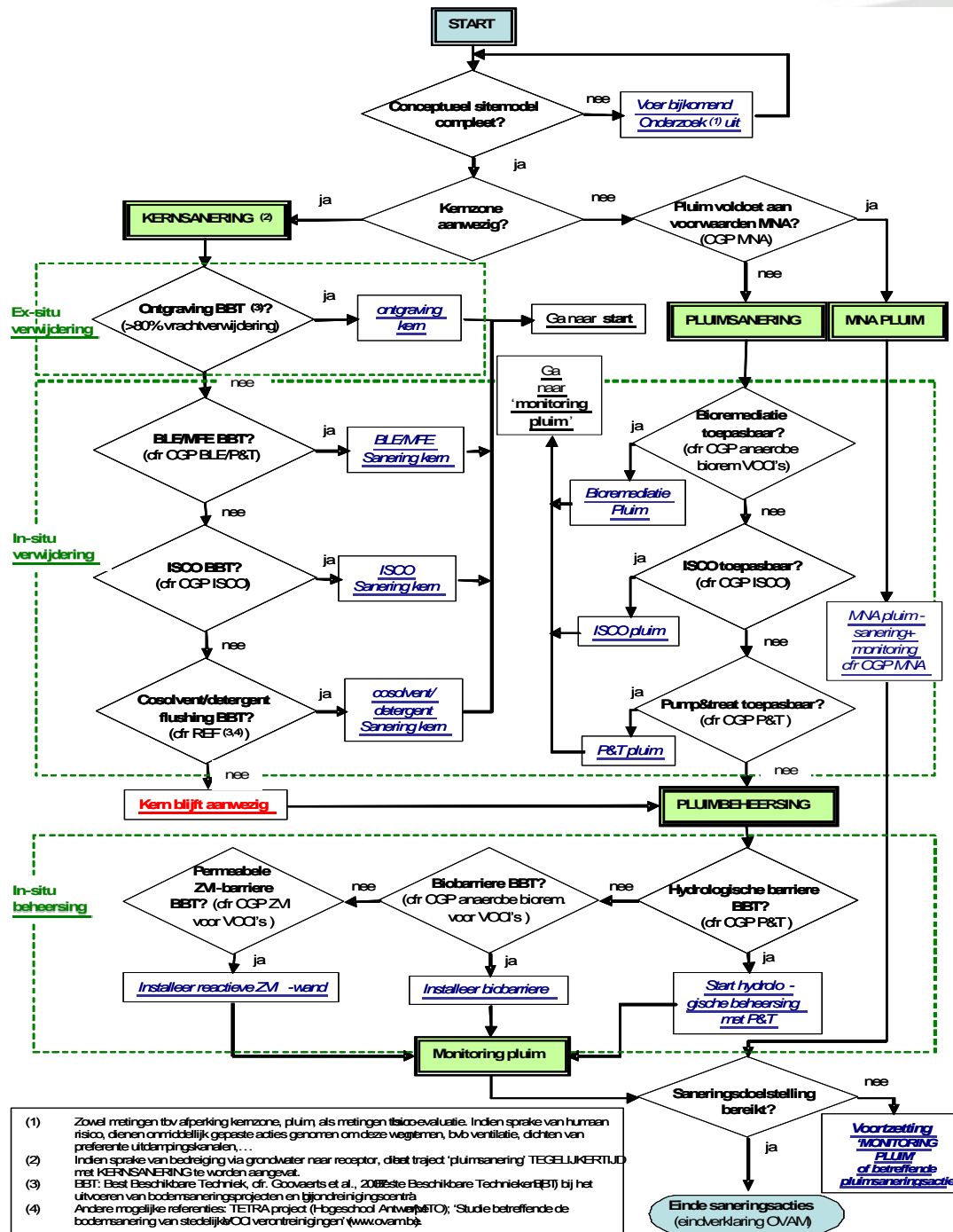
#### Phased remediation project core zone

## Phased remediation project of the core zone

- check whether adequate information for the core zone is available:
  - horizontale and verticale delineation
  - detailed hydrogeological information
- principles of the remediation project
  - bulk of the contamination in core zone
  - core zone is continuous source of contamination plume zone
  - remediation core zone: positive impact on the plume zone!
- best available remediation techniques (BATNEEC)
  - 'proven' clean-up techniques <-> 'more experimental' clean-up technologies
  - flow chart remediation techniques whose feasibility based on site-specific conditions should be screened.

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Phased remediation project core zone



### 3. Overview procedure

#### Remediation techniques of the core zone

## Remediation techniques of the core zone

- Excavation
  - most reliable and fast method
  - preferred remediation technique
  - no or limited risk of failure
  - depth of contamination and presence of infrastructure is the limiting factor
  - costs of stability measures!
  - drainage; treatment costs!
  - integrated remediation approach with site development
    - Basement/underground garage



# Excavation technique: Examples of integrated remediation - site Aalst

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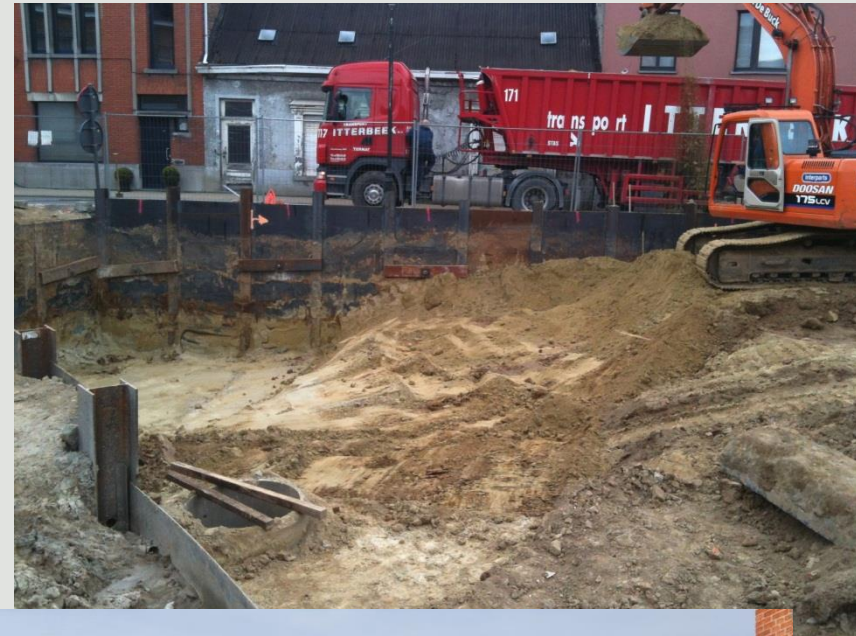


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- Hoeveelheid ontgraving: 965 ton
- Saneringstechniek: ontgraving met beschoeiingsbox + bemaling en zuivering opgepompt grondwater (actief koolfilters)
- Jaar uitvoering werken: 2010
- Na bestemming: gezinswoningen

# Excavation technique: Examples of integrated remediation (Lede)



- Hoeveelheid ontgraving: 997 ton
- Jaar uitvoering werken: 2013
- Saneringstechniek: ontgraving met stabiliteitsmaatregelen (damwand)
- Nabestemming: residentie

# Excavation technique: Ghent

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BO  
TEX



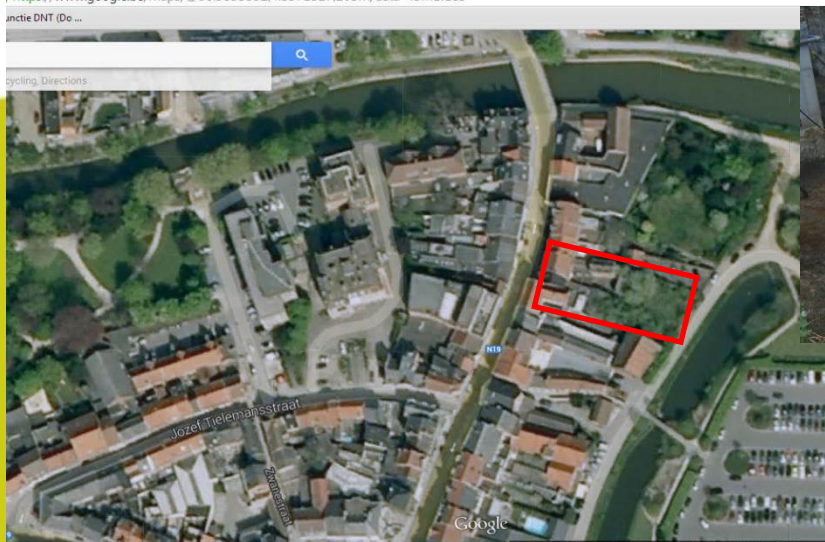
- Hoeveelheid ontgraving: 290 ton
- Periode werken: sept 2014
- Saneringstechniek: inbandige ontgraving in moten (tot 2 m -mv.)
- Na bestemming: gezinswoningen

# Excavation technique: Leuven



- Volume ontgraving: 2080 ton
- Periode werken: augustus 2014
- Saneringstechniek: ontgraving met beschoeiingsbox en onder talud en muur verstevigd met schoren
- Nabestemming: verkaveling (woningen, studenten kamers, groenzone...)

# Excavation technique: Aarschot



- Hoeveelheid ontgraving: 1398 ton
- Jaar uitvoering werken: 2013-2014
- Saneringstechniek op buurtperceel: ontgraving m.b.v. damwand (onder de fundering bestaande gebouw) met bemaling en zuivering opgepompt grondwater via striptoren en actief koelfilters
- Saneringstechniek in droogkuisatelier: hoogvacuumextractie
- Nabestemming: horecapand met appartementen + verderzetting droogkuisshop

# Excavation technique: Wakken



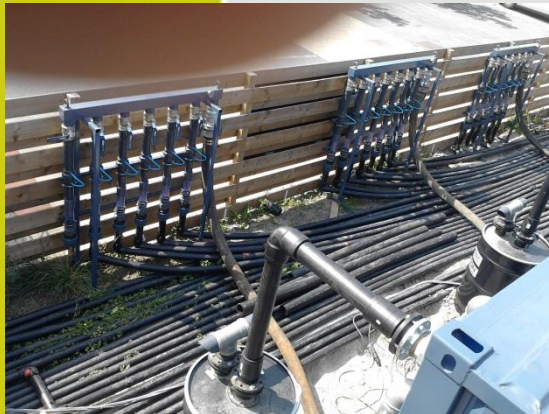
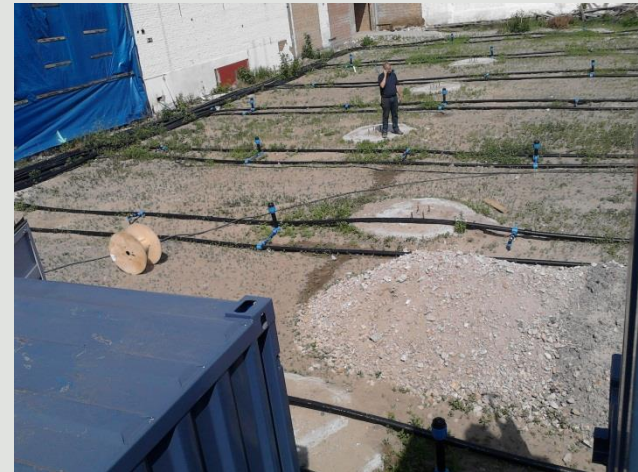
- Volume ontgraving: 1500 ton
- Periode werken: juni 2011
- Saneringstechniek: ontgraving met beschoeiingsbox, onder talud en verbuisde ontgraving + bemaling en zuivering opgepompt grondwater (actief koolfilters)
- Nabestemming: wasserij zonder droogkuis

## Clean-up techniques core zone (flow chart)

### Soil vapor extraction / multi-phase extraction

- extraction soil vapor phase is efficient
- good permeability of the soil
- high energy consumption
- if necessary think about ground water table lowering
- multi-phase extraction in the presence of pure product

# Soil vapor extraction / multi-phase extraction: Brugge



- Volume kernzone: 12.110 m3
- Saneringstechniek: in-situ bodemlucht-extractie (BLE) + hoogvacuumextractie (HVE) gevolgd door gestimuleerde biologische afbraak (GBA)
- Aantal BLE filters:43
- Aantal HVE filters:54
- Verwijderde vuilvracht: 1204 kg solvent
- Saneringsperiode: mei 2011- jan 2012 (HVE en BLE) en midden 2012 (injectie melasse als koolstofbron voor GBA)



# Soil vapor extraction / multi-phase extraction: **Ramsel**

Clean-up  
techniques  
core zone



- Volume kernzone: 2,500 m<sup>3</sup>
- Saneringstechniek: in-situ  
hoogvacuumextractie (HVE)
- Aantal HVE filters: 35
- Verwijderde vuilvracht: ? kg solvent
- Saneringsperiode: oktober 2014 - ?

### 3. Overview procedure

#### Clean-up techniques core zone

## Clean-up techniques core zone (flow chart)

- In-situ chemical oxidation
  - laboratory tests (natural oxygen demand)
  - pilot test
  - gas phase ISCO/ liquid phase ISCO
  - limiting factors: soil heterogeneity & permeability, NOD, safety

# In-situ chemical oxidation: **Nieuwpoort**



- Saneringstechniek: BLE en ISCO (ozon-injectie) met actief koolfilters (nazuivering)
- Volume kernzone: 752 m<sup>3</sup>
- Verwijderde vuilvracht via BLE: 65 kg PER
- Periode uitvoering werken: 2013-2014
- Nabestemming: gerenoveerd handelspand

# In-situ chemical oxidation: Sint-Denijs-Westrem

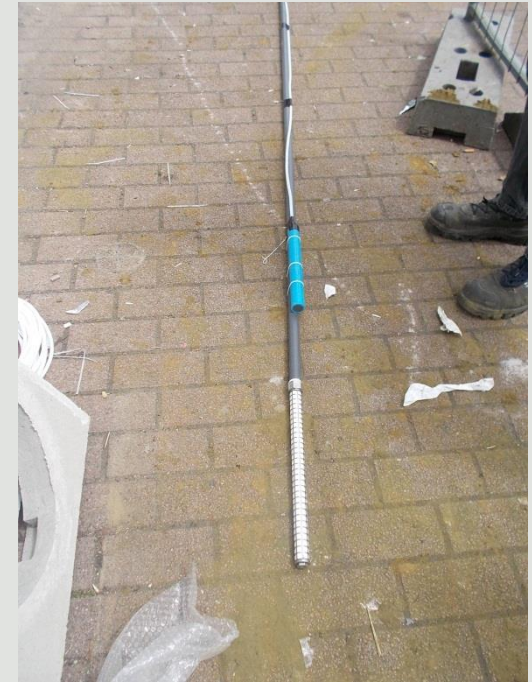
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core zone



- Pilot ISCO (ozon en peroxide-injectie)
- Volume kernzone: 300 m<sup>2</sup>
- Aantal filters: 10 op 5 m-mv en 10 op 11 m-mv
- Periode uitvoering werken: 2013-2014
- Nabestemming: handelspand

# In-situ chemical oxidation: Heusden-zolder

Clean-up  
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- (ozon en peroxide-injectie)
- Aantal ISCO filters: 22 op 8 m-mv
- Aantal BLE-filters: 10 (1-3,5 m-mv)
- Volume kernzone: 1780 m<sup>2</sup>
- Periode uitvoering werken: september 2015 - ?

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Phased remediation project core zone

## control of the pollution

- if it appears that the in-situ remediation techniques are not BATNEEC



core zone will probably remain, unless a different / new / innovative remediation technology is available

- control / monitoring of the pollution is needed.

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#### Phased descriptive soil investigation plume zone

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*the zone where there is an equilibrium between the pollution in groundwater and the pollution adsorbed to soil particles*

targets:

- define the plume zone (contour)
- inventarisation receptors
- risk analysis
- remediation of the plume is necessary?
- monitoring of the plume zone

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## Monitoring

- influence of the remediation of the core zone (and any residual contamination) on the plume zone;
- effect of the remediation of the core zone to potential receptors. Regular measurements (in air monitoring, sampling of pipe or well water, ...) must be provided;
- evaluate the natural degradation of any residual contamination in the core zone and the existing contamination in the plume zone;
- check the potential spread of contamination;
- verifying whether a receptor (drinking water, surface water, water well for irrigation, a private well, ...) in the short or medium term may be affected.

Up to 5 years after the start of the monitoring



an **ultimate decision point** to determine whether remediation of the plume zone is necessary or not.




### 3. Overview procedure

Phased  
remediation  
project  
Remediations  
works

Plume zone

## Remediation techniques in the plume zone:

- **natural attenuation**  
if no effective receptor threatened +  
monitored natural attenuation (MNA) is feasible  
  
MNA is being considered  
Code of good practice OVAM "Natural attenuation"
- **enhanced anaerobic bioremediation**  
if effective receptor threatened and MNA is not  
feasible and an active remediation of the plume  
zone is BATNEEC.  
Back-up variant  
  
laboratory tests + pilot test

# Enhanced anaerobic bioremediation: Eeklo



**Clean-up techniques plume zone**

Saneringstechniek: gestimuleerde biologische afbraak door direct-push van een langwerkende koolstofbron en zerovalent ijzer (ISCR\_EHC)  
 Volume kernzone: 760 m3  
 Periode uitvoering werken: 2012 -2014  
 Nabestemming: appartementsblok met garageboxen

# Enhanced anaerobic bioremediation: Brugge

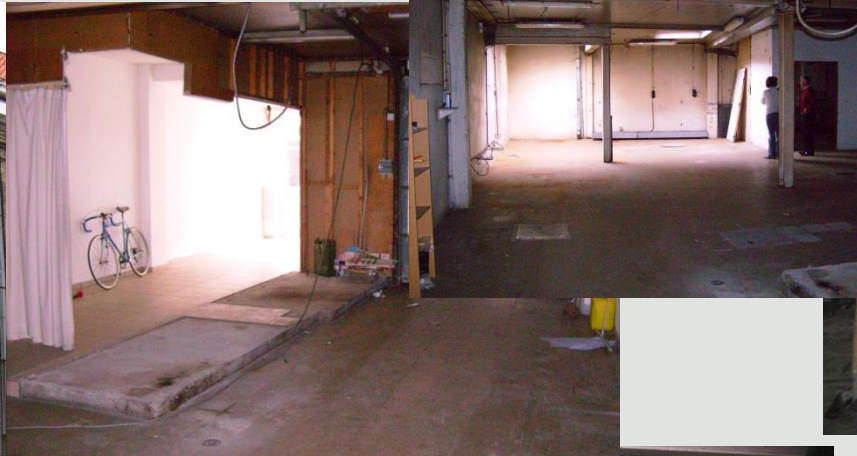
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- Nabestemming: kantorencomplex



# Enhanced anaerobic bioremediation: Tielt



Clean-up  
 techniques  
 plume zone

- Saneringstechniek: gestimuleerde biologische afbraak door direct push-injecties met een langwerkende koolstofbron (plantaardige olie)
- Volume kernzone: 210 m<sup>3</sup>
- Periode uitvoering werken: 2013-2015

# Enhanced anaerobic bioremediation: Aalst



- Saneringstechniek: gestimuleerde biologische afbraak via filters (lactaat) na uitgraving
- Injectie lactaat 500 l 10% per filter
- 7 filters tot 2,5-6,5 m-mv en 1 drain op bodem bouwput
- Volume kernzone: 210 m<sup>3</sup>
- Periode uitvoering werken: 2015

### 3. Overview procedure

Phased  
remediation  
project  
Remediations  
works

Plume zone

- **in-situ chemical oxidation**
  - laboratory tests
  - pilot test
  - In most cases not BATNEEC
- **pump&treat**
  - everlasting
  - not suitable as a stand-alone technique
- **control of the pollution**

if in-situ remediation techniques are not BATNEEC, the plume zone must be controlled.

Consultation OVAM is necessary

- hydrological barrier
- biological barrier
- zero valent iron permeable barrier

# Thank you for your attention!

## 4. Questions



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