

## AIRPORT HANGAR FLOOR CLEANING

CASE STUDY #BSE084

**SUBJECT** Removing oil stains from airport hangar floors prior to

recoating the floors with new epoxy paint.

PRODUCT APPLIED MICROCAT®-SMPL Hydrocarbon Cleaner/Degrader

(liquid formula)

MICROCAT®-XR Hydrocarbon Degrading Bioformula

(dry formula)

**OBJECTIVE OF** Effectively remove the oil stains on the concrete floors and **TREATMENT** 

resultant treat hydrocarbon water mixtures in an

environmentally safe and responsible way – as "green" as

possible - in preparation for painting.

**SITE HISTORY** In hangars where airplanes are kept, dripping oil and other

hydrocarbons make stains on the concrete floors. This not only includes motor oil, but also on occasion diesel fuel, hydraulic fluid and gasoline. These residuals are difficult to remove, and they should not be removed and simply discharged directly to

the environment or into the sewer system without treatment.

**METHODOLOGY** 1.) MICROCAT®-SMPL Hydrocarbon Cleaner/Degrader is

diluted and sprayed over the entire floor surface

2.) Then MICROCAT®-XR Hydrocarbon Degrader is mixed at a ratio of 25 pounds (11.3 kg) to 110 gallons (0.42 m<sup>3</sup>) of water, and then scrubbed into the floor surface using a broom. The floor is kept wet for 24-48 hours by misting from a water

hose. The floor is then hosed off and the mixture is discharged

to the sewer.

3.) The floor is cleaned with a peroxide solution in order to

eliminate biological activity and allowed to dry.

4.) The floor is now ready for epoxy paint application.

**RESULTS** MICROCAT®-SMPL Hydrocarbon Cleaner/Degrader and

MICROCAT®-XR Hydrocarbon Degrader did an excellent job of removing dirt, oil and grease from the concrete floor in

preparation for application of epoxy coating.

CONCLUSIONS MICROCAT®-SMPL Hydrocarbon Cleaner/Degrader and

MICROCAT®-XR Hydrocarbon Degrader can be used individually or in combination to remove dirt, oil, grease and other hydrocarbon stains from concrete surface and floors in

preparation for cleaning.

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XRC Oil spill absorber and degrader

XRCP High capacity oil spill absorber and degrader

SK Oil spill absorber and degrader

BK-A A natural, biodegradable organic dispersant used

in combination with MICROCAT®-BK-B

BK-B Degrades and bioremediates hydrocarbon

contamination in liquids and on any solid or

semi-solid surface

XBS Bioformula for bioremediation of contaminated

soils

HX Specialized microbes and activated carbon for

reduction of hydrocarbons

Biobag Stormwater Pond surface cleaner

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