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Why You Should Go “Paperless”:

- ☒ Get site information faster and share it easily;
- ☒ Receive information about all sites in a chosen county - read what you want, delete the rest;
- ☒ It helps the environment and stretches your tax dollars.

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K - Williamsburg Works

Operable Unit 1

State Superfund Program

Site No. 224055

Kent Ave. & 12th St.

Brooklyn, NY 11249



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Investigation Completed at State Superfund Site; Results will Help Evaluate Alternatives to Address Contamination

A detailed environmental study has been completed by National Grid ("remedial party") for Operable Unit 1 (OU-1) of the K – Williamsburg Works site ("site") located at Kent Ave. & 12th St. in Brooklyn, Kings County. Please see the map for the site location.

National Grid has prepared, through its engineering consultant, a "Remedial Investigation Report (RIR)" that describes the results of the site investigation and recommends development of a cleanup plan to address contamination that has been found.

- Access the RIR and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/224055/>.
- Documents also are available at the locations identified under "Where to Find Information."

Highlights of the Remedial Investigation Report

- Investigations were conducted at the site to determine how far contamination from the site property has spread. The contaminant of concern at this site is MGP-related non-aqueous phase liquid (NAPL), commonly referred to as coal tar, and its chemical constituents that typically resulted from historic manufactured gas operations on-site.
- NAPL impacts were observed near former gas holders, former oil separators, and former tar and oil tanks. These impacts were located on Parcels 2, 3, and 4.
- Groundwater at areas investigated moves through soil that contains both impacts associated with the former MGP operations and other non-MGP sources.
- Based on these findings, NYSDEC has recommended that a site cleanup be completed to remove the threat posed by the contaminants of concern in the soil, soil vapor, and groundwater.

Next Steps

An Alternatives Analysis will be prepared by National Grid based on information obtained during the investigation to:

- 1) Define the objectives of the site cleanup program;
- 2) Develop cleanup alternatives; and
- 3) Screen and analyze the alternatives.

NYSDEC will then develop a draft cleanup plan, called a "Proposed Decision Document." This plan describes the cleanup actions preferred by NYSDEC to address contamination related to the site. The Alternatives Analysis will explain the decision that led to the preferred cleanup by discussing each

alternative and the reasons for choosing or rejecting it. The goal of the plan will be to ensure the protection of public health and the environment. NYSDEC will announce the availability of the draft cleanup plan in a future fact sheet and present it to the public for its review and comment during a 30-day comment period and at a public meeting.

NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

Site Description

The K - Williamsburg Works Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) site is in a commercial/industrial area in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn, New York. The site is approximately six acres in size and is composed of four parcels of land located on the east bank of the East River between North 11th and North 12th Streets on the west and east sides of Kent Avenue. The three parcels to the west of Kent Avenue comprise Operable Unit 1 (OU-1) and the parcel to the east of Kent Avenue comprises OU-2. Site features include a vacant concrete paved lot and the foundation slab of former warehouses and 50 Kent – Bushwick Inlet Park on the west side of Kent Avenue and a two-story commercial building on the east side of Kent Avenue. Previously, the site had been used as part of a larger gas manufacturing plant until operations ceased in approximately 1941.

Redevelopment plans include incorporation of the site into the larger developing Bushwick Inlet Park.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, 224055) at:

<https://appfactory.dec.ny.gov/DERExternalSearch/ERDSearch>

State Superfund Program

New York's State Superfund Program (SSF) identifies and characterizes suspected inactive hazardous waste disposal sites. Sites that pose a significant threat to public health and/or the environment go through a process of investigation, evaluation, cleanup and monitoring.

NYSDEC attempts to identify parties responsible for site contamination before committing State funds for investigation and cleanup.

For more information about the SSF, visit:

<https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/site-cleanup/brownfield-and-state-superfund-programs/state-superfund-sites>

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DECinfo Locator

Interactive map to access DEC documents and public data about the environmental quality of specific sites: <https://dec.ny.gov/maps/interactive-maps/decinfo-locator>

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WHERE TO FIND INFORMATION

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator and at these location(s):

<https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/224055/>

<https://www.williamsburgmqpsite.com>

Site Location





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