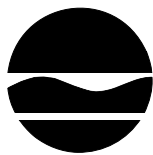


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KeySpan/National Grid Skillman St. Former Gas Holder, Brooklyn
FACT SHEET

Site #224064

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KeySpan/National Grid to Conduct Site Characterization Investigation at former Manufactured Gas Holder Station

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) and KeySpan are announcing that the site characterization investigation of a former manufactured gas holder station, located on Skillman St. in Brooklyn, Kings County, New York will begin in the spring of 2008.

Site Description

The former holder station is located on Skillman Street in the block bounded by Flushing Avenue, Bedford Avenue and Park Avenue. A map showing the location of the site appears on the next page.

The site was used by the Brooklyn Union Gas Company as a storage and distribution facility between approximately 1887 and 1935. No gas was manufactured on the site. The gas was provided to homes, businesses and industries in much the same way natural gas is used today. Additional information on manufactured gas can be found at

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8430.html>.

Site Characterization Investigation

The principal contamination targeted by the investigation is coal tar, which is the primary byproduct associated with manufactured gas sites. Coal tar is a brownish to black liquid with an odor similar to driveway sealer. It contains a variety of environmental contaminants including polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylene (BTEX).

Background

In 2007, KeySpan entered into a consent order with the NYSDEC that requires KeySpan to investigate and, where necessary, remediate 17 former manufactured gas sites. The former Skillman St. site is one of four gas holder stations in the Williamsburg area which are included in the consent order. The other sites are located on: Rutledge St, Front St. and Keap St

In the spring of 2008, KeySpan will begin a site characterization investigation to determine whether any contamination related to the former gas storage operation remains at the site. Investigation activities will include

drilling of soil borings, installation of groundwater monitoring wells, and collection of soil and water samples for chemical analysis. All work will be done under the oversight of NYSDEC and the NYSDOH

For More Information

NYSDEC, NYSDOH and KeySpan will keep you informed throughout the remedial program. Your understanding and involvement in this project will help ensure an effective remedy. If you would like more information about this project you are encouraged to review site-related documents that are available for public review at the following locations. We recommend you call ahead for an appointment.

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