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FACT SHEET #1

State Superfund Program

**Former NuHart Plastic Manufacturing
280 Franklin Street
Brooklyn, NY 11222**

SITE No. 224136

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NYSDEC REGION 2

Remedial Investigation To Begin

This fact sheet is being distributed pursuant to New York State Environmental Conservation Law ("ECL") and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's ("NYSDEC") policies under the Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Site Remedial Program ("State Superfund"). You have been sent this fact sheet because you own property or live near the Former NuHart Plastic Manufacturing facility ("Site") or because NYSDEC believes you may otherwise be interested in activities at the Site. NYSDEC, in consultation with the New York State Department of Health ("NYSDOH"), has approved the Remedial Investigation Work Plan submitted by 49 Dupont Realty Corp. (the Responsible Party, or "RP"). The RIWP and other project documents are available for review at the document repositories identified on the left side of this page. The Remedial Investigation activities are scheduled to begin in January and will take approximately two months to complete.

Site Description

The Site is located at 280 Franklin Street in the Greenpoint section of Brooklyn (see attached figure). The approximately 1 acre Site consists of several buildings that have been joined together. The Site was used for commercial/industrial uses before 1950. From 1950 until around 2004 the Site was primarily used for the production, storage and shipping of plastic and vinyl products. Tests performed at the Site show that the soil and groundwater beneath the site are contaminated with phthalates and paraffinic oil/mineral oil which were utilized in the plastic manufacturing process. The site is listed in the Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Site in New York State as Class 2, which is defined as "Significant threat to the public health or environment - action required".

Highlights of the Remedial Investigation

The study to be done at the Site is called a "Remedial Investigation," and will be performed by the Volunteer with oversight by NYSDEC and NYSDOH. The remedial investigation has several goals:

1. Define the nature and extent of on-site soil, groundwater and soil vapor contamination;
2. Assess the impact of the contamination on public health and the environment; and
3. Provide information to support the development of a proposed remedy to address the contamination.

Key components of the work are as follows:

- Installation of soil borings, and collection of soil samples from each of the boring locations;
- Installation of groundwater monitoring/recovery wells, and collection of groundwater samples from each well;
- Redevelopment and collection of groundwater samples from existing monitoring wells;
- Measurement of non-aqueous phase liquid thickness in all the existing and newly installed monitoring and recovery wells; and
- Completion of soil vapor intrusion investigation consisting of installation and sampling soil vapor probes.

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Next Steps

Investigation activities will start in January 2012, and will take approximately two months to complete. After the investigation is completed, NYSDEC and NYSDOH will determine what remediation is needed to address the site contamination. Additional fact sheets will be provided to keep you informed of the project's progress.

State Superfund Program Overview

The Superfund Program is the State's program for identifying, investigating and cleaning up sites where disposal of hazardous

waste is known. The Superfund process begins with the identification of a possible source of hazardous waste related contamination at a property. The identification of a site can come from many different places, such as the local county health department, a concerned citizen, or the investigation of a nearby site. Once identified these sites go through a process of investigations, evaluation, cleanup and monitoring. For more information about the Superfund Program, visit:

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If you know someone who would like to be added to the project mailing list, have them contact the NYSDEC project manager. We encourage you to share this Fact Sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post this Fact Sheet in a prominent area of your building for others to see.

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Figure 1 – Site Location

