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This fact sheet contains information about the investigation of the Bram Manufacturing site located in Congers, Rockland County. If you have any questions on the work to be performed, contact:

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# FACT SHEET Bram Manufacturing Site

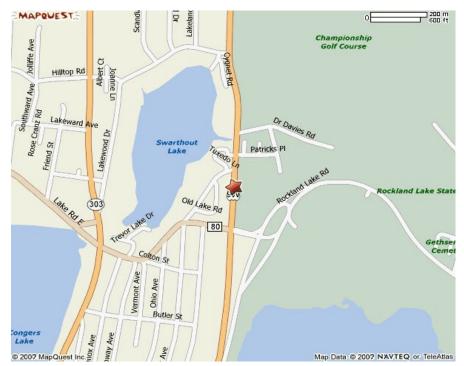
Town of Clarkstown, Rockland County Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Site No. 344055 May 2008

### **Remedial Investigation to Begin**

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (DOH), is providing this fact sheet as part of the State's citizen participation program for inactive hazardous waste disposal sites. The DEC encourages public involvement in the cleanup of hazardous waste sites and invites comments or questions on the environmental investigation at the Bram Manufacturing site.

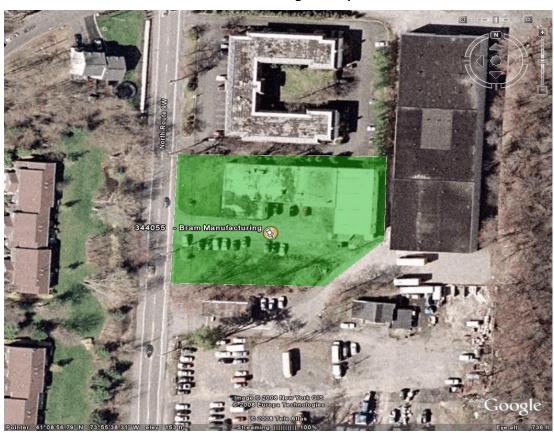
#### **Background**

The Bram Manufacturing Site, located at 26 Route 9W in Congers, is an inactive manufacturing facility that formerly assembled lighting fixtures. In 1998, a several sampling wells were installed and groundwater was sampled. Volatile organic compounds, primarily Trichloroethene (TCE), were detected in groundwater. Although TCE is not currently in use, the facility's previous lighting fixture assembly did involve the use of TCE.



Bram Manufacturing Site, 26 9W, Congers, NY, 10920

The DEC conducted a Site Characterization in 2003 to evaluate the presence of contamination in site groundwater. Results of the Site Characterization showed significant levels of TCE in groundwater, and the DEC determined that additional investigation of site soil, soil vapor and groundwater is warranted. As residences in the vicinity are supplied with municipal water, area drinking water has not been impacted by this site. The DEC will be conducting this Remedial Investigation/Feasability Study (RI/FS) with State Superfund monies.



**Bram Manufacturing Site Map** 

**Remedial Investigation** 

The RI/FS is scheduled to begin in May 2008 and will include of the following activities:

- Soil vapor sampling to determine if contamination is present in soil vapor around and beneath the facility building;
- Surface and subsurface soil sampling across the site;
- Installation and sampling of additional groundwater monitoring wells and bedrock wells to characterize on-site groundwater and determine the groundwater flow direction; and
- Research and review of remedial alternatives that would best address the site's contamination.

A Health and Safety Plan is being developed to protect workers and nearby residents during all investigation activities. The DEC has contracted with a professional environmental engineering firm to conduct the investigation, and oversight will be provided by the DEC. When the RI is complete, it will be placed in the document repositories, and a fact sheet will be mailed to notify interested parties of the results.

#### For More Information

If you would like more information about this project, you may contact the project personnel listed on the first page of this fact sheet. A copy of the RI/FS Work Plan is available for review at the following locations:

NYSDEC - Region 3 Office 21 South Putt Corners Rd. New Paltz, NY 12561 (845) 256-3154 Monday - Friday, 9 am - 4 pm

Valley Cottage Library
110 Route 303
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Hours: Monday - Thursday, 10 am - 9 pm
Friday - Saturday, 10 am - 5 pm

For more information on the NYS Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Site Program (Superfund), visit the DEC website at: <a href="http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html">http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html</a>.