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## 1.0 Introduction and Overview

This document presents the Citizen Participation (CP) Plan for the Duracell Inc. Site (Site). The Site, located at 60 Elm Street in the Village of Sleepy Hollow, Westchester County, New York, was home to a battery manufacturing company that operated since the late 1940s before ceasing operations in 1984. The facility was originally operated by the P.R. Mallory Company, which later became Duracell in 1979. The Gillette Company (Gillette) has since acquired Duracell, and the site is currently owned by the Village of Sleepy Hollow.

In January 2010, Gillette and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) entered into an Order on Consent and Administrative Settlement, Index No. W3-1145-09-11, Site No. 360011 (Order) to complete a Remedial Investigation (RI) and Remedial Program at the Site. This Order also required the development of a CP Plan for the Site, in accordance with NYSDEC Program Policy No. 23, the *Citizen Participation Handbook for Remedial Programs*. AECOM, on behalf of Gillette, has prepared this CP Plan in accordance with this Policy.

Gillette, the NYSDEC, and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) are committed to informing and involving the public during the course of the RI and throughout the remedial program for the Site. This Plan describes CP activities to be conducted during the investigation and remedial activities.

## 2.0 Site Background and Project Description

The Duracell Inc. Site (aka, former Mallory Battery Factory Site) is located at 60 Elm Street in the Village of Sleepy Hollow, Westchester County, New York (see Site Plan contained in **Appendix F**). The Site is the location of the former Duracell manufacturing operations.

The Site is currently owned by the Village of Sleepy Hollow and has been developed into a parking lot. The current Site configuration consists of an asphalt-paved parking area equipped with curbs, landscaped islands, and lighting. The exterior portions of the Site consist of concrete sidewalks and/or grass and landscaped areas. A chain-link fence extends along the eastern and southern property boundaries separating the Site from the adjacent residential properties.

The Site was operated as a battery manufacturing facility from 1945 until operations ceased in 1984. The facility was originally operated by the P.R. Mallory Company, which later became Duracell in 1979. The former manufacturing facility footprint encompassed nearly the entire present day parking lot. Two employee parking areas for the facility occupied portions of the properties located immediately across Elm Street and Andrews Lane, including the new Senior Center and part of the present-day Barnhart Park, respectively. The battery manufacturing facility was decommissioned and demolished in 1990.

#### 2.1 Prior Conditions and Site Remediation

In 1988, Duracell entered into an Order on Consent and Administrative Settlement, Index No. W3-0160-8711, Site No. 360011 (1988 Order), with the NYSDEC to complete an investigation and remediation of on- and off-Site soils. Airborne discharges from former manufacturing facility operations (e.g., exhaust from air handling units, operation and maintenance of cyclones and bag houses used for particulate collection) in the form of mercuric oxide (inorganic salts) were cited as the source of the contamination. An environmental investigation was conducted in 1989, which identified primarily mercury impacted soils on the Site and adjacent properties. The remediation included the excavation and removal of soils on- and off-Site with concentrations of mercury exceeding the Site-specific risk-based remedial goals that were approved by the NYSDEC at the time.

In 1990, approximately 2,100 cubic yards (cy) of mercury-impacted soils were removed from the Site. Subsequent removals of more than 600 cy of impacted soils were completed on eight adjacent residential properties in 1990 and 1991 and, in 1993, 1,600 cy of impacted soils were removed from the former Duracell parking area across Andrews Lane. As per the 1988 Order with the NYSDEC, on-Site and off-Site impacted soils were remediated to the risk-based remedial goals established at that time for the Site. Accordingly, in 1994, the NYSDEC removed the Site from the New York State Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Sites.

## 2.2 Current Status

In December 2006, the NYSDEC promulgated regulations (6 NYCRR Part 375) which established new Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) for numerous constituents, including mercury and lead. In 2008 a soil sample was collected from a residential property adjacent to and south of the Site and analyzed for metals, as part of a proposed real estate transaction. Mercury was detected in this sample at a concentration in excess of the newly promulgated SCO for inorganic mercury salts. The findings from

the residential sampling event were provided to the NYSDEC and the NYSDOH, which prompted the NYSDEC to initiate a limited residential soil investigation and characterization of background conditions. This work was performed by Aztech Technologies, Inc. under contract to the NYSDEC in May 2009, and included collecting and analyzing soil samples from 37 residential properties and two Village-owned properties, including Barnhart Park. Investigation results indicated that thirty-six (36) of the 39 nearby properties sampled displayed concentrations of total mercury in excess of the current SCOs. Thirty-one (31) of the 39 nearby properties sampled displayed concentrations of total lead in excess of the current SCOs.

## 2.3 Project Description

In January 2010, The Gillette Company, Inc. (Gillette) entered into an Order on Consent and Administrative Settlement, Index No. W3-1145-09-11, Site No. 360011 (Order) with the NYSDEC to complete a remedial investigation (RI) and remedial program at the Site. Due to its scope, the RI will be performed in phases, with the initial phase focusing on off-Site areas. Interim Remedial Measures (IRMs) will be utilized as necessary during the remedial program to reduce the risk of exposure to Site contaminants. The RI and the remedial program will be performed by Gillette with oversight by the NYSDEC and NYSDOH.

The Phase I RI activities are described in the *Phase I Remedial Investigation Work Plan*, which has been made available for public review at the Document Repositories identified in Appendix B. The Phase I RI will include collecting and analyzing additional soil samples from select properties in the vicinity of the Site, as shown on the Site Plan contained in **Appendix F**. These data will help provide an understanding of current conditions and allow for an assessment of those conditions in light of the more recent SCOs. The data will also provide information necessary to plan the IRM(s). Once the investigation is complete, a *Remedial Investigation Report* will be issued.

As needed, IRM(s) will also be performed by Gillette with oversight by the NYSDEC and NYSDOH. The IRM(s) will entail removal of impacted soil from select locations in the project area.

## 3.0 Citizen Participation Activities

This section describes the CP program for the Duracell Inc. Site. The program meets the requirements set forth in NYSDEC Program Policy No. 23, the *Citizen Participation Handbook for Remedial Programs*. The program will be implemented by Gillette, with oversight and input from the NYSDEC.

The following paragraphs describe the required or suggested CP activities for use during the project. It is noted that the NYSDEC has already conducted several CP activities; these activities are either complete or will continue to be conducted by Gillette (as elaborated below).

## 3.1 Document Repository

A document repository is a file of documents pertaining to a site's remedial and citizen participation programs, which is made available for public review. The file is typically maintained in a public building near the site to provide access at times and a location convenient to the public.

The NYSDEC has established three repositories for the Site. These repositories are listed in Appendix B. Gillette will continue to maintain these repositories. All final documents, notices, and fact sheets developed for the Site will be made available to the public in the document repositories.

## 3.2 Mailing List

The NYSDEC has established a mailing list for the Site (referred to as the Site Contact List), which is comprised of two components:

- Property owners for properties within the RI sampling program, and
- Other interested parties.

The contact information for interested parties (second bullet) is provided in Appendix D; property owner contact information is maintained confidentially in project files.

Gillette will maintain and update the mailing list information regularly throughout the project.

## 3.3 Points of Contact

The NYSDEC has established points of contact for the public to obtain information about the Site. The public is encouraged to contact any of the New York State project staff listed below.

#### **Technical Information:**

Daniel Lanners NYS Department of Environmental Conservation Division of Environmental Remediation 625 Broadway, 11th Floor Albany, NY 12233-7014 1-866-520-2334

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#### **Citizen Participation:**

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## 3.4 Print Media (fact sheets)

Printed communications materials, such as Fact Sheets, are one of several CP tools used to provide information to the community about a project. Fact sheets are typically two to four pages in length, and portray a specific topic of interest in community-friendly (non-technical) terms. Spanish translations of the printed communications materials will also be available to the public.

The NYSDEC has issued three fact sheets for the project (English and Spanish):

- Fact Sheet, Former Duracell Site, Site ID No. 360011, Sleepy Hollow, NY, Recent Developments and Assessment of Current Conditions, March 2009;
- Fact Sheet, Former Duracell Site, Site ID No. 360011, Sleepy Hollow, NY, Public Availability Session Announced, October 21, 2009; and
- Questions and Answer Fact Sheet for Former Duracell Site, Village of Sleepy Hollow, Westchester County, October 2009.

Gillette, in association with the NYSDEC, will issue additional fact sheets (in English and Spanish) for the project as needed or as required by NYSDEC Program Policy. At this time, the following fact sheets have been issued or are anticipated during the next 12 months, based on NYSDEC Program Policy:

- A Fact Sheet discussing the Remedial Investigation Work Plan and Phase I Soil Sampling, August 2010;
- A Fact Sheet announcing completion of the Phase I remedial investigation field activities and public availability session(s); and
- A Fact Sheet discussing the Interim Remedial Measures Work Plan.

Additional fact sheets may contain articles on the status of the environmental study, listings of recently issued documents, and descriptions of study techniques or project milestones. All fact sheets will be reviewed and approved by the NYSDEC before they are provided to the Site's contact list.

#### 3.5 Public Notices

As required by NYSDEC Program Policy, formal public notices will be published to inform stakeholders and community members of certain milestones or events at the Site. Such events include site reclassification or site delisting. These notices will be placed in a local newspaper of general circulation, and will appear in a prominent position in the paper with adequate time for the community to plan participation.

## 3.6 Public Comment Periods and Comment Responses

If requested by the NYSDEC, the public will be given an opportunity to comment on certain project documents and to receive comment responses from Gillette and the NYSDEC. Under NYSDEC Program Policy, the public would be allowed 30 days to comment on a particular document.

Formal comment response documents would be prepared by Gillette and the NYSDEC, and provided to the public. In this manner, the public will obtain direct feedback on their comments, and will understand how the comments are being incorporated into final decisions being made regarding the Site.

## 3.7 Meetings

If requested by the NYSDEC, a public meeting could be held. Such meetings would include (as appropriate) posters, exhibits, and displays that give audience members graphic representations of Site activities, environmental findings, or program schedules. These materials will provide perspective to the community on the complexity that surrounds a study of this nature.

If held, the meetings would take place at a convenient and central location to the Site. Meeting times and locations would be determined with input from local community leaders, and will be announced in local newspapers and/or a mailing to the community.

## 3.8 Telephone Hotline and E-mail Address

Gillette has established a **toll free** telephone number to receive and respond to questions from the public:

(toll free)1-877-410-8412

Alternatively, Gillette has also established an e-mail address for community members to ask a question or transmit a comment in writing:

info@formermallorybatteryfactory.com

Appendix A

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Appendix B

**Document Repositories** 

Three document repositories have been established by the NYSDEC to provide the public with convenient access to important project documents and other information. This information will include reports, data and information gathered and developed during the course of the assessment and evaluation of conditions surrounding the Duracell Inc. Site (the Former Mallory Battery Factory Site). These repositories can be found at the following locations:

## **Warner Public Library**

121 North Broadway Tarrytown, NY 10591 Contact: Reference Desk Phone: (914) 631-7734

Hours: Mon. & Thurs. 1:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Tues. & Wed. 10:00 am - 6:00 pm Fri. & Sat. 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Sun. 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

## **Village of Sleepy Hollow Office**

28 Beekman Avenue Sleepy Hollow, NY 10591 Contact: Village Clerk Phone: (914) 366-5106

## **NYSDEC Region 3 Office**

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Hours: Mon. - Fri. 9:00am - 4:45 pm

Appendix C

**List of Available Documents** 

According to the NYSDEC, the following documents are available at the document repositories listed in Appendix B of this CPP:

- Order on Consent W3-0160-8711, dated April 5, 1988.
- Test Cleaning Documentation Report, Eder Associates, January 1987.
- Quality Assurance Plan for Closing the Duracell, Inc. Facility, Eder Associates, January 1988.
- Building Cleaning Documentation Report, Eder Associates, December 13, 1988.
- Certification Report for Closure of the Duracell, Inc. Facility, November 20, 1991.
- Addendum to the Certification Report for Closure of the Duracell, Inc. Facility, Eder Associates, July 22, 1992.
- Addendum No. 2 to the Certification Report for Closure of the Duracell, Inc. Facility, Eder Associates, January 28, 1994.
- Property Owner Delist Notice, June 21, 1994.
- Adjacent Property Owner Delist Notice, July 19, 1994.
- Surface Soil Sampling Work Plan, January 2009.
- Surface Soil Characterization Report, Duracell Inc. Site, March 2010.
- Fact Sheets Related to the Duracell Inc. Site (English and Spanish): Assessment-March 2009; Public Avail. Sessions and Q&A-October 2009.

Gillette (via AECOM) will provide copies of the following documents to the NYSDEC for the document repositories:

- Order on Consent W3-1145-09-11, Site #360011, dated December 22, 2009.
- Citizen Participation Plan, Duracell Inc. Site, April 2011.
- Fact Sheets Related to the Duracell Inc. Site (English and Spanish): August 2010.
- Phase I Remedial Investigation Work Plan, Duracell Inc. Site, August 2010.
- Soil Background Evaluation Work Plan, Duracell Inc. Site, April 2011.

Additional documents not listed above will be placed in the designated repositories as the remedial program for this site develops.

**Appendix D** 

Potentially Affected/Interested Public (Contact List)

The following contact list has been developed by the NYSDEC to help keep the community informed about and involved in the remedial activities relating to the Site. The list includes local, regional and state officials; local media; civic, business and environmental organizations; and others. The contact list will be reviewed periodically and updated as appropriate.

Note: The adjacent/affected property owner and resident portion of the list is maintained confidentially in project files, not in a CP Plan or repositories.

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Appendix E

**Glossary** 

Term	Definition
Availability Session	A scheduled gathering of project staff and members of the public in a casual setting, without a formal presentation or agenda but usually focusing on a specific aspect of a site's remedial process.
Citizen Participation	A program of planning and activities to encourage communication among people affected by or interested in hazardous waste sites and the government agencies and other parties responsible for investigating and remediating them.
Citizen Participation Plan	A document which must be developed at a site's <b>Remedial Investigation</b> stage. A Citizen Participation Plan describes the citizen participation activities that will be conducted during a site's remedial process.
Classification	A process to place a hazardous waste site within a category which defines its hazardous waste status and its threat or potential threat to public health and the environment. Sites are listed along with their classifications in the <b>Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Sites</b> .
	Class 1 - causing or representing an imminent danger of causing irreversible or irreparable damage to public health or environment immediate action required.
	Class 2 - significant threat to public health or environment action required.
	<b>Class 2a</b> - temporary classification assigned to a site for which there is inadequate or insufficient data for inclusion in any other classification.
	Class 3 - does not present a significant threat to public health or environment action may be deferred.
	Class 4 - site properly closed requires continued management.
	Class 5 - site properly closed no further action required.
	<b>Delisted</b> - site no longer considered an inactive hazardous waste disposal site.
Comment Period	A period for the public to review and comment about various documents. For example, a 30-day comment period is provided when a <b>Proposed Remedial Action Plan (PRAP)</b> is issued.

Term	Definition
Consent Order	A legal and enforceable agreement negotiated between NYSDEC and a <b>responsible party</b> . The order sets forth agreed upon terms by which a responsible party will undertake site investigation and/or cleanup, or pay for the costs of those activities. The order includes a description of the remedial actions to be taken by the responsible party with NYSDEC oversight, and a schedule for implementation.
Division of Environmental Remediation	Formerly the <b>Division of Hazardous Waste Remediation</b> , a major program unit within the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation created to manage the hazardous waste site remedial program from site discovery through <b>Remedial Action</b> activities. Staff include: engineers, geologists, chemists, attorneys, citizen participation specialists, environmental program specialists and support staff.
Division of Hazardous Waste Remediation	(See Division of Environmental Remediation.)
Document Repository	A file of documents pertaining to a site's remedial and citizen participation programs which is made available for public review. The file generally is maintained in a public building near the hazardous waste site to provide access at times and a location convenient to the public.
Fact Sheet	A written discussion about part or all of a site's remedial process, prepared by DER or the responsible party and provided to the public. A fact sheet may focus on: a particular element of the site's remedial program; opportunities for public involvement; availability of a report or other information, or announcement of a <b>public meeting</b> or <b>comment period</b> . A fact sheet may be mailed to all or part of a site's <b>contact list</b> , distributed at meetings, placed in a <b>document repository</b> and/or sent on an "as requested" basis.
Interim Remedial Measure (IRM)	A discrete action which can be conducted at a site relatively quickly to reduce the risk to people's health and the environment from a well-defined hazardous waste problem.
New York State Department of Health	Agency within the executive branch of New York State government which: performs health-related inspections at suspected hazardous waste sites; conducts health assessments to determine potential risk from environmental exposure; reviews Risk Assessments prepared during the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study; conducts health-related community outreach around sites; and reviews remedial actions to assure that public health concerns are adequately addressed.
New York State Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Sites	The "Registry" Is a document which NYSDEC is directed by law to maintain and which lists and provides information about every hazardous waste site in New York State which meets criteria established through a definition of hazardous waste and a <b>classification</b> system.

Term	Definition
NYSDEC Project Manager	An NYSDEC staff member within the <b>Division of Environmental Remediation</b> (usually an engineer, geologist or hydro geologist) responsible for the day-to-day administration of remedial activities at, and ultimate disposition of, a hazardous waste site. The Project Manager works with legal, health, <b>citizen participation</b> and other staff to accomplish site-related goals and objectives.
Public Meeting	A scheduled gathering of <b>Division of Environmental Remediation</b> staff and responsible party staff with the affected/interested public to give and receive information, ask questions and discuss concerns about a site's remedial program. Staff from other NYSDEC divisions, and legal and health staff often also attend. A public meeting, unlike an <b>availability session</b> , generally features a formal presentation and a detailed agenda.
Reclassification	A process by which DER redefines the threat posed by a hazardous waste site to public health and the environment by developing and assessing site information and, based on findings and conclusions, assigning a new <b>classification</b> code.
Responsible Party	An individual or business who: currently owns or operates a hazardous waste site; or historically owned or operated a site when hazardous waste was disposed; or generated hazardous waste at a site; or transported hazardous waste to a site.
Responsiveness Summary	A written summary of major oral and written comments received during a <b>comment period</b> about key elements of a site's remedial program, such as a <b>Proposed Remedial Action Plan</b> , and DER's response to those comments.
Toll-Free "800" Number	An information line maintained by the <b>Division of Environmental Remediation</b> to provide convenient access for people who have questions, concerns or information about hazardous waste sites and their remedial programs.

Appendix F

Site Map(s)