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If you would like to continue to receive information about the contaminated site featured in this fact sheet:

You <u>must</u> sign up for the DER email listserv:

www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

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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.

If "paperless" is not an option for you, call or write to the DER project manager identified in this fact sheet. Indicate that you need to receive paper copies of fact sheets through the Postal Service. Include the site name in your correspondence. The option to receive paper is available to individuals only. Groups, organizations, businesses, and government entities are assumed to have email access.



Where to Find Information:

Project documents are available at the following locations to help the public stay informed:

Sidney Memorial Public Library

8 River Street Sidney, NY 13838 607-563-1200

NYSDEC Region 4 Office

Attn: Joshua Haugh, Project Manager 1130 North Westcott Road Schenectady, NY 12306-2104 Hours: 8:30 AM - 4:45 PM, M-F Call for appointment: 518-357-2045 www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/37564.html

Who to Contact:

Comments and questions are always welcome and should be directed as follows:

Project Related Questions

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For more information on New York's State Superfund Program, visit:

www.dec.nv.gov/chemical/8439.html

FACT SHEET

Amphenol Facility 40-60 Delaware Avenue Sidney, NY Site No. 413010 & 413013 NYSDEC Region 4

August 2019

Draft Statement of Basis, No Further Action Remedy Proposed and Public Meeting Announced

Public Meeting, September 4, 2019 at 7:00 PM Sidney Civic Center, Board Room, 21 Liberty Street, Sidney, NY 13838

NYSDEC invites you to a public meeting to discuss the remedy proposed for the site. You are encouraged to provide comments at the meeting, and during the 30-day comment period described in this fact sheet.

The public is invited to comment on a No Further Action remedy being proposed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) related to the Amphenol Facility (site) located at 40-60 Delaware Avenue, Village of Sidney, Delaware County (see Site Location Map below).

The New York State Hazardous Waste Management Program (also known as the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, or RCRA) requires corrective action for releases of hazardous waste and hazardous constituents to the environment. The New York State Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Site Remedial Program (State Superfund) is an enforcement program to identify and characterize suspected inactive hazardous waste disposal sites and to investigate and remediate those sites found to pose a significant threat to public health and environment. The Amphenol Facility contains two State Superfund sites, which are referred to as the West Well and Parking Area (Site No. 413010) and the Boiler Room Area (Site No. 413013). This facility is subject to both programs, and this remedy is consistent with the remedial requirements of both programs.

<u>How to Comment</u>: NYSDEC is accepting written comments on the proposed plan, or draft "Statement of Basis," for 30 days, from **August 21 through September 20, 2019**. The proposed plan is available for public review at the locations and website identified in the sidebar under "Where to Find Information." Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under "Who to Contact."

<u>Proposed Remedy</u>: The goal of the proposed remedy is to be protective of public health and the environment. Based on the corrective actions already implemented under the RCRA and the State Superfund Program, the proposed remedy is No Further Action. The proposed remedy will reduce or eliminate exposure to contaminants of concern using institutional controls and engineering controls (IC/ECs) as summarized below. An *institutional control* is a non-physical restriction on use of the site, such as an environmental easement, when contamination left after the cleanup action makes the site suitable for some, but

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not all uses. An *engineering control* is a physical barrier or method to manage contamination, such as a site cover or groundwater treatment system.

An institutional control in the form of an environmental easement will be put in place on this site in order to:

- Restrict groundwater use at the site;
- Restrict the site to industrial use only; and
- Require the implementation of the Site Management Plan with environmental monitoring, and periodic certification that the IC/ECs are effective.

The following engineering controls will continue to be implemented and maintained:

- The West Well and Parking Area groundwater extraction and treatment system, which prevents further off-site migration of contaminated groundwater;
- The Boiler Room Area groundwater extraction and treatment system, which prevents further off-site migration of shallow contaminated groundwater;
- The existing cover system, which includes of the concrete slab from the former main plant structure and surrounding paved areas (*e.g.*, parking area); and
- Existing sub-slab depressurization systems in off-site buildings impacted by the site.

The proposed remedy, including the corrective actions to date, is being implemented by the responsible party, Amphenol Corporation.

Next Steps: NYSDEC will consider public comments as it finalizes the No Further Action remedy for the site. The selected remedy will be described in the final Statement of Basis, which will explain why the remedy was selected and respond to public comments. When the remedy is successfully implemented, NYSDEC intends to reclassify the site from a Class 2 (a site that presents a significant threat to public health and/or the environment and requires remedial action) to a Class 4 (a site that has been properly closed but requires continued management). NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

<u>Site Description</u>: The approximately 42-acre site is located one half mile south of the Susquehanna River and is in the Susquehanna River valley flood plain. The area surrounding the site consists of railroad tracks and some light commercial and residential properties. Manufacturing of various electrical

components at the site dates to the 1930s. In 2014, Amphenol Corporation moved most of its local manufacturing operations to its new facility about one mile west. The former 683,000 square foot Production Building was recently demolished to the slab, except for the room housing the Boiler Room Area groundwater extraction and treatment system, which was preserved. In addition, the site currently contains the West Well (groundwater extraction and treatment system), the Plating Facility and its associated wastewater treatment plant. The remainder of the property is mostly paved with asphalt (*i.e.*, driveways and parking areas).

<u>Summary of the Remedial Investigation</u>: Based on environmental investigations and monitoring conducted at the Amphenol Facility since the mid-1980s, the primary contaminants of concern and environmental media affected are volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and metals in groundwater, VOCs in soil vapor, and PCBs in soil. The contaminants are attributed to the use of solvents containing VOCs for degreasing, dissolved metals in the electroplating process, and cutting oils which historically contained PCBs.

Additional Superfund site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database by looking up the site codes (413010 and 413013) at: www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3

State Superfund Program: New York's State Superfund Program 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 and require cleanup before committing State

funds. For more information about the SSF, visit: http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html

RCRA Corrective Action Program: The RCRA Corrective Action Program identifies and characterizes suspected areas of concern and solid waste management units at sites were hazardous materials were known to be used or stored and may have impacted the environment.

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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It's quick, it's free, and it will help keep you better informed. As a listsery member, you will periodically receive site-related information/ announcements for all contaminated sites in the county or counties you select.

Note: Please disregard if you already have signed up and received this fact sheet electronically.

