



# FACT SHEET

## CLEANUP ACTIVITIES TO BE PERFORMED AT D.C. ROLLFORMS SITE IN JAMESTOWN

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### INTRODUCTION

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is pleased to announce that major environmental cleanup activities will begin this month at the D.C. Rollforms site, located at 583 Allen Street in Jamestown, Chautauqua County.

Cleanup activities started at the DC Rollforms site in 2000, when the responsible party, Ingersoll Rand, conducted a series of preliminary cleanup activities called Interim Remedial Measures (IRMs). While the IRMs successfully addressed immediate environmental concerns at the site, upcoming cleanup activities will address remaining areas that require cleanup.

Cleanup work at this site is being performed under New York State's Superfund program, a program that identifies, investigates, and ensures the cleanup of sites where significant amounts of hazardous waste may exist. DEC is providing this fact sheet to explain why upcoming environmental cleanup activities at this site are occurring, what cleanup activities will involve, and how to obtain more information.



### SITE HISTORY

The 2.4 acre D.C. Rollforms site was formerly the location of the Proto Tool Company, which was a unit of the Ingersoll Rand Company. Proto Tool manufactured specialty tools for mechanics, electricians, and plumbers until operations ceased in 1984. The site was donated to the Jamestown Urban Renewal Agency (JURA) in 1985. By 1987, most of the site was sold by JURA to the Dowcraft Corporation, which currently owns the property.

### COMPLETED CLEANUP ACTIVITIES

A 1997, a series of environmental investigations began at the site. The investigations identified the type and location of contaminants found at the site, and included testing of on-site surface and subsurface soil, groundwater, and sediments from the Chadakoin River. In order to address immediate environmental concerns associated with the contaminants found at the site, a cleanup effort called an Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) was undertaken in 2000. IRM cleanup activities included:

- continuous removal of oil from two wells using passive recovery canisters called petrotraps;
- excavation and off-site disposal of 400 cubic yards of lead contaminated soils and 49 tons of PCB contaminated soils; and
- Enhanced Reductive Dechlorination, a cleanup technique that works by injecting molasses into contaminated areas to create contaminant-degrading conditions. This began in 1998 and is on-going because the process has been shown to be effective in reducing contamination at the site.

### UPCOMING CLEANUP ACTIVITIES

While IRM cleanup actions successfully addressed immediate environmental concerns at the site, upcoming cleanup activities will address remaining areas that still require cleanup.

Using the information from the site investigation and after studying various options for addressing the environmental problems still existing at the site, DEC developed a Proposed Remedial Action Plan (PRAP) for the site. A public meeting was held in February of 2003 to present the plan to the public and to accept public comments on the plan. In March 2003, the site's Remedial Action Plan was finalized in a Record of Decision.

Necessary funding and access agreements are now in place, and cleanup activities planned in the Record of Decision are now able to begin. Based on the Record of Decision, upcoming cleanup activities at the D.C. Rollforms site will include:

- installing sheet piling along sections of the river to prevent seepage of contaminants into the river;
- excavating contaminated soil between installed sheet pile and the river, and backfilling with clean soil;
- removing elevated levels of volatile contaminants in groundwater through Vacuum-Enhanced Recovery (VEP/VER);
- decommissioning existing outfall pipes that drain into the river;
- dewatering and treating impacted groundwater during soil excavation;
- covering surface soils in any disturbed area along the river with clean soil;
- constructing fish habitat in the river; and
- stabilizing and restoring the river bank following construction activities through regrading and planting.

Upcoming cleanup activities will be performed by ARCADIS, an engineering contractor hired by the Ingersoll Rand Company. DEC will oversee cleanup activities. A Health and Safety Plan will be followed to protect project workers as well as the nearby businesses and communities.

During cleanup activities, dust levels will be measured in the work area and at the perimeter of the property. If dust levels exceed acceptable levels, immediate actions will be taken to bring levels under control. Efforts will be made to minimize disruption to the neighboring businesses or residents.

## **PROJECT SCHEDULE AND NEXT STEPS**

The above cleanup activities will begin at the D.C. Rollforms site in the fall of 2006, and are expected to take approximately six months to complete. After cleanup activities are complete, a long-term Operation, Monitoring and Maintenance (OM&M) Plan will be established. An environmental easement is already in place, which prohibits use of site groundwater for drinking purposes.

Within 90 days of completing cleanup activities, Ingersoll Rand must submit a final Engineering or Construction Closeout Report to DEC. As with other project documents, the report will be available for public viewing at the locations identified below.

## **LOCATIONS TO VIEW SITE RELATED DOCUMENTS**

Public understanding and involvement are important to the success of the Superfund program. To provide you with more detailed information, DEC has placed site-related project documents at the following locations so that you can view them if interested:

Falconer Village Library  
101 West Main Street  
Falconer, NY 14733  
(716) 665-3504

or

NYS Department of Environmental Conservation  
Region 9 - Buffalo Office  
270 Michigan Avenue  
Buffalo, New York 14203  
(Please call (716) 851-7220 to schedule an appointment).

## WHO TO CONTACT IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS

Should you have questions related to this project, please feel welcome to contact the following: Questions regarding the cleanup of this site are welcome. Should you have any questions, please contact the following representatives:

### Site-Related Environmental Questions

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We encourage you to share this fact sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post this fact sheet in your building for others to read. If you know of someone who would like to be added to this project's mailing list so that they receive fact sheets, such as this one, please have them contact Megan Gollwitzer, at DEC at (716) 851-7220. Thank you.