NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Supplemental Remedial Investigation Work Plan Public Comment Period May 15, 2008 – June 14, 2008

This Fact Sheet is to inform you about a proposed Supplemental Remedial Investigation at the Former Darby Drug Distribution Center site located at 80-100 Banks Ave., Rockville Centre, N.Y. If you have any questions on the proposed Supplemental Remedial Investigation, please do not hesitate to contact:

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BROWNFIELD CLEANUP PROGRAM

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Former Darby Drug Distribution Center
80 – 100 Banks Avenue
Rockville Centre, New York

Site ID: C130140
NYSDEC Region 1

Proposed Supplemental Remedial Investigation for the Former Darby Drug Distribution Site

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) in cooperation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) is providing the public with the opportunity to comment on the Supplemental Remedial Investigation Work Plan (RIWP) for the Former Darby Drug Distribution Center located at 80-100 Banks Avenue in Rockville Centre, NY (See attached map for location of Site). The Supplemental RIWP was prepared by P.W. Grosser Consulting, Inc., under contract to AvalonBay Communities, Inc., under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). The Supplemental RIWP is currently under review by NYSDEC and the NYSDOH.

Public Comments about the Draft Supplemental Remedial Investigation Work Plan

The NYSDEC and NYSDOH are accepting comments on the Supplemental RIWP, within the public comment period specified at the left side of this page. The Supplemental RIWP is available for review at the document repositories identified on the back side of this page. Your comments are important and strongly encouraged.

Please direct written comments and questions to:

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Site Description and Background

The site is a 7.1-acre industrial property, located at 80-100 Banks Avenue in the Village of Rockville Centre, Nassau County, New York. The site is currently vacant and improved with a one-story, 150,000 square foot warehouse building and a 2-story 24,000 square foot office building. The subject site is currently owned by AvalonBay Communities, Inc. (AvalonBay). The previous property owner, Darby Group Companies, Inc. (Darby) had occupied the building since 1978 and operated it as a pharmaceutical product warehouse and distribution center until it ceased operations in November 2000. Prior to Darby there were various owners, including a textile company that operated a dry cleaning facility at the site.

There is approximately 401 feet of frontage on Banks Avenue, 300 feet of frontage on Nassau Street, 412 feet of frontage on Meehan Lane, and 100 feet of frontage on Claude Street. The site is surrounded by an apartment complex to the north, industrial buildings to the east and south, and the Village's Reverend Morgan Day's Park and Smith Pond to the West. Previous investigations completed at the site have identified solvent contamination in the soil and the groundwater near the southern end of the property. Tetrachloroethene (PCE) is the primary contaminate found. PCE is a chlorinated solvent used for degreasing parts and dry cleaning.

ARC Chase Partners, LLC, filed a Brownfield Cleanup Agreement Application with the NYSDEC on September 28, 2004. The field work portion of a remedial investigation was conducted at the site from March 3 to March 24, 2004. Based upon the findings of the remedial investigation, the site was accepted into the NYSDEC BCP. However, additional remedial investigation was requested by NYSDEC to address several areas of concern not fully investigated during the original remedial investigation. A Supplemental RIWP dated March 31, 2008, was submitted to address NYSDEC comments about the previous remedial investigation.

Proposed Supplemental Remedial Investigation

The planned work includes the following tasks:

- Conduct a Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) Survey.
  Characterization of leaching structures located beneath the property.
- Evaluation of sub-slab and exterior soil vapor quality.
- Evaluation of groundwater quality below the clay layer present beneath the site.
- Further delineation of subsurface soil impacts in the vicinity of the suspected source area.
- Evaluation of soil and groundwater quality beneath the northern portion of the site.
- Site Survey.

Following completion of the field investigation a Supplemental Remedial Investigation Report will be prepared.

Next Steps

NYSDEC and NYSDOH will consider public comments received on the proposed Work Plan and make modifications where appropriate. The proposed Remedial Work Plan will be placed in the document repository.

Contact the NYSDEC project manager if you have any comments on the draft Supplemental RIWP, or if you would like to be added to the project contact list to receive future fact sheets for this site.

Schedule

Field work for the investigation is anticipated to begin in June 2008.

For More Information:

If you would like more information about this project, you are invited to contact Mr. Bufalini in Albany or visit the document repositories listed below. Included in the repositories are the Brownfield Cleanup Agreement, Remedial Investigation Report and Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan and Supplemental Remedial Investigation Work Plan discussed above. Repositories are located at:

Rockville Centre Public Library
221 North Village Avenue
Rockville Centre, New York
(516) 766-6257
Call for hours

NYSDEC Region 1 Office
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Your understanding and involvement in this project will help insure its effectiveness. You are encouraged to contact the NYSDEC and NYSDOH individuals listed on the first page of this Fact Sheet at any time with your questions and concerns.

For more information on the NYSDEC Brownfield Cleanup Program please visit the NYSDEC website at http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html.