

Where to Find Information

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator and at these location(s):

New York Public Library – Mott Haven Branch

321 East 140th Street Bronx, NY 10454 (718) 665-4878

Bronx Community Board No. 1

3024 Third Avenue Bronx, NY 10455 (718) 585-7117

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For more information about New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program, visit: www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html

FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

477 Gerard Avenue Bronx, NY 10451

SITE No. C203071 NYSDEC REGION 2

January 2020

NYSDEC Certifies Cleanup Requirements Achieved at Brownfield Site

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) has determined that the cleanup requirements to address contamination related to the 477 Gerard Avenue site ("site") located at 477 Gerard Avenue in the Bronx, NY under New York State's Brownfield Cleanup Program have been or will be met. Please see the map for the site location.

The cleanup activities were performed by New Jai Ganesh Realty LLC ("applicant") with oversight provided by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). NYSDEC has approved a Final Engineering Report (FER) and issued a Certificate of Completion (COC) for the site.

- Access the FER, Notice of COC and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C203071/.
- The documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information."

Completion of the Project: The following activities have been or will be completed to achieve the remedial action objectives:

- Excavation and proper disposal of approximately 5,460 tons of contaminated historic fill to a depth of 12 to 16 feet below grade. The project achieved residential cleanup standards. A foundation for a 13-story residential building will occupy the excavation;
- Collection and analysis of end-point samples to document the effectiveness of the remedy; and
- Screening for indications of contamination (by visual means, odor, and monitoring with Photoionization Detector (PID)) of all excavated soil during all intrusive work.

Final Engineering Report Approved: NYSDEC has approved the FER, which:

- 1) Describes the cleanup activities completed.
- 2) Certifies that cleanup requirements have been or will be achieved for the site.

Next Steps: With its receipt of a COC, the applicant(s) is eligible to redevelop the site. In addition, the applicant(s):

• Has no liability to the State for contamination at or coming from the site, subject to certain conditions; and

• Is eligible for tax credits to offset the costs of performing cleanup activities and for redevelopment of the site.

A COC may be modified or revoked if, for example, there is a failure to comply with the terms of the order or agreement with NYSDEC.

Site Description: The site is located at 477 Gerard Ave in Bronx, NY and is identified as Block 2351, Lot 22 on the New York Tax Map. The site is approximately 0.20 acres and is located on the block bordered by Gerard Avenue to the east, East 146th Street to the south, a hotel to the west, and a residential building to the north. Historical site uses were commercial and industrial since at least 1908, including a lumberyard, sign frame company, auto junkyard, and auto repair facility. Underground storage tanks (USTs) were reported to be present on historical Sanborn maps, but none were found during the remedial activities. The site is being redeveloped into a 13-story residential building with a basement.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C203071) at:

http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3

Brownfield Cleanup Program: New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) encourages the voluntary cleanup

of contaminated properties known as "brownfields" so that they can be reused and redeveloped. These uses may include recreation, housing, business or other uses. A brownfield site is any real property where a contaminant is present at levels exceeding the soil cleanup objectives or other health-based or environmental standards, criteria or guidance adopted by NYSDEC that are applicable based on the reasonably anticipated use of the property, in accordance with applicable regulations.

For more information about the BCP, visit: http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html

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.

Stay Informed With DEC Delivers

Sign up to receive site updates by email: www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

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

DECinfo Locator

Interactive map to access DEC documents and public data about the environmental quality of specific sites: http://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/109457.html

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Site Location Map E 149th St Site **Boundary** E 146th St E 144th St Figure 1 Site Map NEW YORK STATE OF OPPORTUNITY Department of Environmental Conservation 477 Gerard Avenue Bronx, NY 200 Site No. C203071