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Re: Supplemental Soil Vapor Investigation Work Plan
Jean's Place; 485 Van Sinderen Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207
NYSDEC BCP Site No. C224275

Dear Mr. Nierenberg:

This Supplemental Soil Vapor Investigation Work Plan (SSVIWP) has been prepared by AKRF, Inc. (AKRF) on behalf of Jean's Place Housing Development Fund Corporation (HDFC) and Jean's Place One Limited Partnership (LP) (collectively, the Volunteers) for the approximately 25,790-square foot property located at 485 Van Sinderen Avenue in Brooklyn, NY 11207 (hereafter referred to as the "Site"). The Site, which is identified as Tax Block 3799, Lot 1, is enrolled in the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) as Jean's Place (NYSDEC BCP Site No. C224275). The scope of work outlined in this SSVIWP was developed to provide additional soil vapor data in areas where elevated concentrations of chlorinated volatile organic compounds (CVOCs) were historically detected in soil vapor. The additional data will be evaluated in conjunction with the 2018/2019 soil vapor data to determine if on-site conditions have changed, potentially related to the completion of remedial work on the northeast-adjacent property (Beverly's Place; VCP No. 17CVC062K) or otherwise, and to document current soil vapor concentrations in the vicinity of the future building cellar, including the approximate locations of the soil vapor extraction (SVE) points outlined in the NYSDEC-approved August 2022 Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP).

As documented in the NYSDEC-approved June 2021 Remedial Investigation Report (RIR) and August 2022 RAWP, elevated concentrations of CVOCs were detected in soil vapor, which were attributed to historic operations at the Site and in the surrounding area. The greatest concentrations of trichloroethylene TCE were detected in the southern portion of the Site, decreasing significantly to the north. The greatest concentrations of tetrachloroethylene (PCE) were detected in the northeastern portion of the Site, adjacent to the Beverly's Place site, decreasing significantly to the south and west. According to the April 2020 Remedial Action Report (RAR) for the Beverly's Place site, remedial work to address soil and soil vapor contamination (which was similar to what's been identified at Jean's Place) included excavation to depths up to approximately 16 feet below grade, installation of an active sub-slab depressurization system (SSDS) below the building slab, and installation of an SVE system with three extraction points along the property's western boundary (shared with Jean's Place). It's AKRF's understanding that the SVE system at Beverly's Place remains active; therefore, there is some potential that operation of the SVE system has had an impact on conditions at the Site. As such, in an effort to obtain up-to-date data to use in the development and/or modification of the future remedial action – including potential communication between the Beverly's Place SVE and the future Jean's Place SVE – AKRF is proposing a limited supplemental soil vapor investigation, including the following:

- Installation of six temporary soil vapor points (SSVI-01 through SSVI-06) at the approximate locations of the corresponding proposed SVE points (SVE-01 through SVE-06) outlined on Figure 11 in the NYSDEC-approved RAWP, and two temporary soil vapor points (SSVI-07 and SSVI-08) in the central portion of the proposed new building footprint. The temporary soil vapor points would be installed to a depth of approximately 10 feet below grade, generally consistent with the depth of the previous soil vapor samples. It should be noted that two historic samples were collected below former building slabs; however, the buildings were subsequently demolished, so any corresponding points will now be installed to 10 feet below grade.
- Collection of eight soil vapor samples to be analyzed for VOCs by EPA Method TO-15 from the eight temporary soil vapor points.

- Preparation and submittal of a Supplemental Soil Vapor Investigation Report (SSVIR) outlining the results of the investigation activities, including recommendations for potential modifications to the future remedial action.

Soil Vapor Point Installation and Sampling

A Geoprobe™ DPP rig will be used to install eight temporary soil vapor points (SSVI-01 through SSVI-08) at the approximate locations shown on Figure 2. The soil vapor points will be installed by advancing an expendable drive point to the target sampling depth of approximately 10 feet below grade (consistent with the depth of the previous soil vapor samples). At each soil vapor point, a 6-inch stainless steel screen implant, connected to Teflon tubing will be installed by hand or through the push probe rods and threaded into the expendable drive point. The sampling tubing will extend from the end of the screen to above grade. The push probe rods will then be removed and the soil boring will be backfilled with clean silica sand to 3 to 6 inches above the screen. Hydrated bentonite will be used to fill the remaining void around the sampling tubing to the ground surface.

Soil vapor sampling will be performed in accordance with the guidelines provided in the NYSDOH document entitled, "Guidance for Evaluating Soil Vapor Intrusion in the State of New York, October 2006". The soil vapor samples will be collected over a 2-hour time period using a laboratory-supplied 6-liter, batch-certified SUMMA® canister equipped with a vacuum gauge and flow regulator set at a maximum rate of 0.02 liter per minute. Prior to sample collection, the temporary soil vapor points will be purged of three sample volumes. During purging, a shroud will be placed over the temporary soil vapor point and helium gas will be introduced to saturate the atmosphere around the sample port with helium gas. Purged vapors will be collected into a Tedlar™ bag and field-screened for VOCs using a photoionization detector (PID). The purged air will also be monitored using a portable helium detector to check for short-circuiting of ambient air into the temporary soil vapor point. If the purged soil vapor contains greater than 10% helium, additional bentonite will be used to enhance the surface seal, and the point will be retested.

Following purging, a soil vapor sample will be collected using the vacuum from the SUMMA® canister. Immediately after opening the flow control valve equipped with the 2-hour regulator, the initial SUMMA® canister vacuum (inches of mercury) will be noted. After approximately 2 hours, the flow controller valve will be closed, the final vacuum noted, and the canister placed in a shipping carton for delivery via courier under standard COC procedures to a NYSDOH ELAP-certified laboratory for analysis. The soil vapor samples will be analyzed for VOCs by EPA Method TO-15. Upon receipt of the analytical data package from the laboratory, it will be reviewed by a third-party data validator, who will prepare a Data Usability summary Report (DUSR). Soil vapor sampling logs will be prepared and included as an appendix to the SSVIR.

The rationale for the proposed soil vapor samples is summarized in Table 1. Note that the soil vapor point locations on Figure 2 are approximate/estimated and will be adjusted as necessary to meet the goals of the SSVI. In locations where soil vapor points are in close proximity to existing groundwater monitoring wells, the soil vapor point will be moved a minimum of 10 feet away, with consideration given to field conditions.

Table 1
Proposed Supplemental Soil Vapor Sample Location Rationale

Sample Location	Sample Location	Rationale
SSVI-01	Northeastern portion of the Site	Evaluate potential changes in soil vapor conditions following operation of the SVE system at the east-adjacent Beverly's Place site.
SSVI-02	Eastern portion of the Site	
SSVI-03	Eastern portion of the Site	
SSVI-04	Southeastern portion of the Site	
SSVI-05	Southern portion of the Site	
RI-SV-06	Southwestern portion of the Site	
SSVI-07	Central portion of the Site	
SSVI-08	Central portion of the Site	

Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP)

All work outlined in this SSVIWP will be conducted in accordance with the Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) included as Appendix E of the NYSDEC-approved RAWP. The objective of the QAPP is to provide methods for Quality Assurance (QA) and to maintain Quality Control (QC) of environmental sampling to ensure that defensible data will be obtained. The QAPP describes the QA/QC protocols and procedures that will be followed during implementation of environmental sampling under the NYSDEC-approved RAWP. A copy of the QAPP is included as Attachment B to this SSVIWP.

Health and Safety Plan (HASP) and Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP)

All work outlined in this SSVIWP will be conducted in accordance with the Health and Safety Plan (HASP) included as Appendix F of the NYSDEC-approved RAWP, and will comply with governmental requirements, including Site and worker safety requirements mandated by the federal Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA). Community air monitoring will be conducted during all intrusive work (i.e., installation of soil vapor points during this phase) in compliance with the NYSDOH Generic Community Air Monitoring Program (CAMP) and the Site-specific CAMP included in the HASP. The CAMP program will include fixed air monitoring stations to continuously log VOC and particulate levels at the upwind and downwind perimeters of the work zone (2 total), with work zone monitoring conducted with hand-held equipment. The air monitoring equipment will be capable of calculating 15-minute running average concentrations and can alert the project team in the event of an exceedance of an action level. Response actions will be implemented as required based on air monitoring results in accordance with the protocols outlined in the NYSDEC-approved RAWP. The air monitoring data will be available to download via an online database, and all data will be available for NYSDEC and/or NYSDOH review. A copy of the HASP/CAMP is included as Attachment C to this SSVIWP.

Reporting

Daily progress reports will be submitted to the NYSDEC following each day of field work to summarize work progress, field findings, and air monitoring results. Upon receipt of the analytical data and DUSR, AKRF will incorporate the results in a SSVIR, which will be submitted to the NYSDEC for review/approval. The results of the SSVI will also be used to develop the pilot test for the proposed SVE system, and any other modifications of the proposed remedy.

Schedule

As outlined in the revised RAWP implementation schedule transmitted to NYSDEC on December 11, 2024, a copy of which is included as Attachment A, the field work associated with the scope outlined in this SSVIWP is anticipated to occur in April 2025, pending approval of this Work Plan. Please contact Deborah at (646) 388-9544 or Tim at (914) 922-2374 if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Sincerely,
AKRF, Inc.



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Senior Vice President



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Attachments:

Certification

Figure 1: Site Location; **Figure 2:** Sampling Location

Attachment A – Revised RAWP Implementation Schedule; **Attachment B** – Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP); **Attachment C** – Health and Safety Plan (HASP) & Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP)

CERTIFICATION

I, Deborah Shapiro, certify that I am currently a Qualified Environmental Professional (QEP) as defined in 6 New York City Codes, Rules and Regulations Part 375 and that this Remedial Investigation Report was prepared in accordance with all applicable statutes and regulations and in substantial conformance with the Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) Technical Guidance for Site Investigation and Remediation (DER-10) and that all activities were performed in full accordance with the DER-approved work plans, work plan addenda, and any DER-approved modifications.

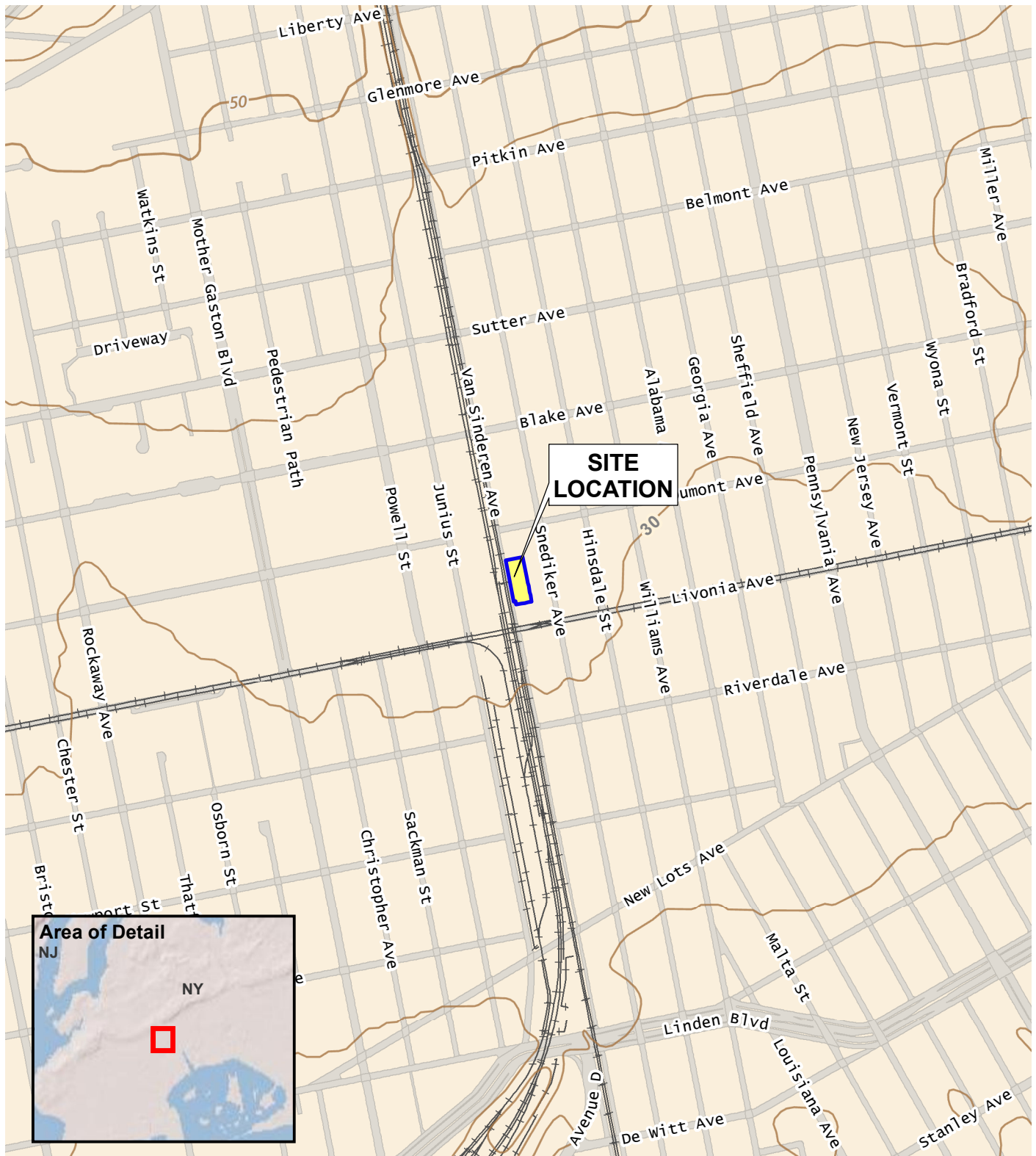
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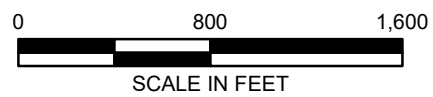

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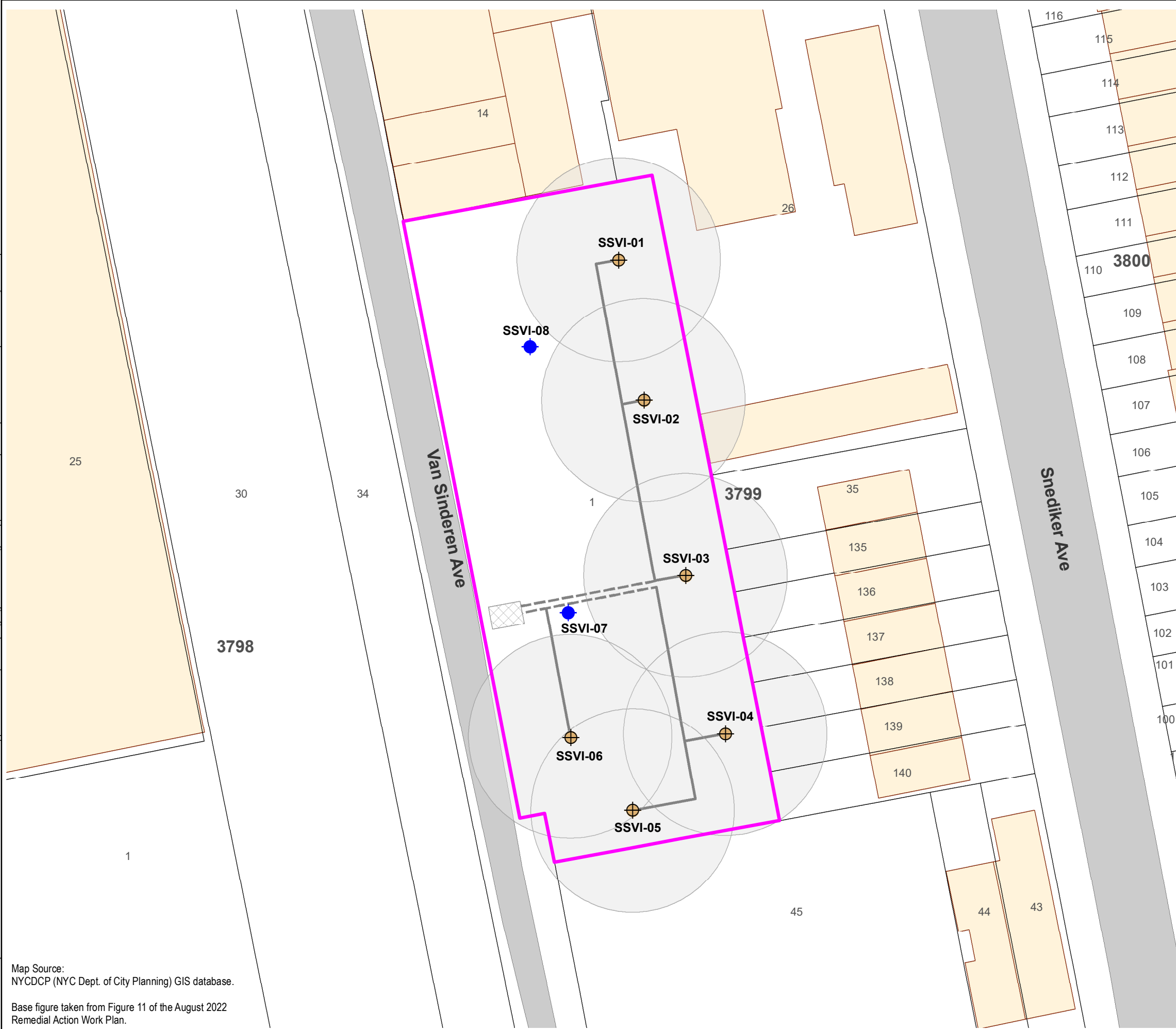
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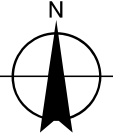
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- BCP SITE BOUNDARY
- LOT BOUNDARY AND TAX LOT NUMBER
- BLOCK NUMBER
- EQUIPMENT ENCLOSURE
- 4-INCH DIAMETER SVE PIPING
- 6-INCH DIAMETER SVE PIPING
- TEMPORARY SOIL VAPOR SAMPLING POINT AT PROPOSED FUTURE SVE WELL
- ANTICIPATED 40-FOOT RADIUS OF INFLUENCE
- TEMPORARY SOIL VAPOR SAMPLING POINT IN CENTRAL PORTION OF FUTURE BUILDING



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Base figure taken from Figure 11 of the August 2022
Remedial Action Work Plan.

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**SUPPLEMENTAL SOIL VAPOR SAMPLE LOCATIONS
AND CONCEPTUAL SVES LAYOUT PLAN**

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ATTACHMENT A
REVISED RAWP IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

**Revised Project Schedule
NYSDEC BCP Site No. C224275**

December 10, 2024

**Jean's Place: 485 Van Sinderen Avenue, Brooklyn, NY
NYSDEC BCP Site No: C224275
Revised Project Schedule**

Proposed Project Schedule – RAWP Implementation

Activity	Time to Complete
Draft SSVIWP Submitted to NYSDEC	December 2024
NYSDEC-Issued SSVIWP Comments Received	January 2025
Final SSVIWP Submitted to NYSDEC	February 2025
NYSDEC Approves SSVIWP	March 2025
Implement SSVIWP Field Work	April 2025
Evaluate Laboratory Data / Third-Party Data Validation	May 2025
Draft SSVIR Submitted to NYSDEC	July 2025
NYSDEC-Issued SSVIR Comments Received	August 2025
Final SSVIWP Submitted to NYSDEC	September 2025
NYSDEC Approves SSVIR	October 2025
Design & Implement SVES Pilot Test	Nov-December 2025
Analyze the SVES Pilot Test Results	January 2026
Draft SVES Design Report Submitted to NYSDEC	February 2026
NYSDEC-Issued SVES Design Report Comments Received	March 2026
Final SVES Design Report Submitted to NYSDEC	April 2026
NYSDEC Approves SVES Design Report	May 2026
Remedial Action Commencement Fact Sheet	November 2026
Projected Closing for Project Financing with HPD	December 2026
Begin RAWP Implementation	January 2027
Submittal of Draft Environmental Easement	May 2028
Draft SMP Submitted to NYSDEC	August 2028
Execution of Environmental Easement	October 2028
Draft Final Engineering Report Submitted to NYSDEC	October 2028
Certificate of Completion and Fact Sheet	December 2028
Completion of Building	December 2029
Notes: NYSDEC – New York State Department of Environmental Conservation RAWP – Remedial Action Work Plan SMP – Site Management Plan SSVIWP – Supplemental Soil Vapor Investigation Work Plan SSVIR – Supplemental Soil Vapor Investigation Report HPD – NYC Department of Housing and Preservation BSA – NYC Board of Standards and Appeals	

ATTACHMENT B
QUALITY ASSURANCE PROJECT PLAN (QAPP)

**JEAN'S PLACE
485 VAN SINDEREN AVENUE
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK**

Quality Assurance Project Plan

**AKRF Project Number: 170447
BCP Site Number: C224275**

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Third-Party Data Validator

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) describes the protocols and procedures that will be followed during implementation of all environmental sampling under the Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP) at the Jean's Place site, hereafter referred to as "the Site". The Site is an approximately 25,790-square foot property located at 485 Van Sinderen Avenue in the Brownsville neighborhood of Brooklyn, New York. The Site is identified on the New York City Tax Map as Brooklyn Borough Tax Block 3799, Lot 1.

The objective of this QAPP is to provide methods for Quality Assurance (QA) and to maintain Quality Control (QC) of environmental activities to be conducted under the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) oversight in the Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) (BCP Site No. C224275). Adherence to this QAPP will ensure that defensible data will be obtained.

2.0 PROJECT TEAM

The project team will be drawn from AKRF professional and technical personnel, and AKRF's subcontractors. All field personnel and subcontractors will have completed a 40-hour training course and will possess a current 8-hour refresher course certificate that meets the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements of 29 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Part 1910. The following sections describe the key project personnel and their responsibilities.

2.1 Remedial Engineer (RE)

Ms. Rebecca A. Kinal, P.E. will serve as the RE for the RAWP. As the RE, Ms. Kinal will oversee the design of all Institutional Controls (ICs) and Engineering Controls (ECs) at the Site. Ms. Kinal's resume is included in Attachment A.

2.2 Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) Officer

Ms. Deborah Shapiro, QEP will serve as the QA/QC officer for the RAWP. As the QA/QC officer, Ms. Shapiro will be responsible for adherence to this QAPP and will review the procedures with all personnel prior to commencing any fieldwork, and will conduct periodic Site visits to assess implementation of the procedures. Ms. Shapiro's resume is included in Attachment A.

2.3 Project Manager

Mr. Timothy McClintock will serve as the project manager for the RAWP. As the project manager, Mr. McClintock will be responsible for directing and coordinating all elements of the RAWP. The project manager will prepare reports and participate in meetings with the Site owner/Volunteers, and the NYSDEC. Mr. McClintock will also be responsible for general oversight of all aspects of the project, including scheduling, budgeting, data management, and field program decision-making. The project manager will communicate regularly with all members of the AKRF and NYSDEC project teams to ensure a smooth flow of information between involved parties. Mr. McClintock's resume is included in Attachment A.

2.4 Field Team Leader, Field Technician, Site Safety Officer (SSO), and Alternate

The field team leader will be responsible for sampling, health, and safety activities in the field, and will ensure adherence to the RAWP. The field team leader will also act as the field technician and SSO, and will report to the project manager on a regular basis regarding daily progress and any deviations from the RAWP. The field team leader will be a qualified and responsible person able to act professionally and promptly during environmental work at the Site. The field team leader will be selected prior to implementation of the RAWP.

2.5 Laboratory Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) Officer

The laboratory QA/QC officer will be responsible for QC procedures and checks in the laboratory and ensuring adherence to laboratory protocols. The laboratory QA/QC officer will track the movement of samples from the time they are checked in at the laboratory to the time that analytical results are issued, and will conduct a final check on the analytical calculations and sign off on the laboratory reports. The laboratory QA/QC officer will be Carl Armbruster of Eurofins TestAmerica, the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (ELAP)-certified laboratory that will be employed for all environmental sampling at the Site under the RAWP and this QAPP.

3.0 STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES (SOPS)

The following sections describe the SOPs for the remedial activities included in the RAWP. During these operations, safety monitoring will be performed as described in the HASP, included in Appendix F of the RAWP.

3.1 Decontamination of Sampling Equipment

All sampling equipment (augers, drilling rods, split spoon samplers, probe rods, pumps, etc.) will be either dedicated or decontaminated between sampling locations. Decontamination will be conducted on plastic sheeting (or equivalent) that is bermed to prevent discharge to the ground. The decontamination procedure will be as follows:

1. Tap/scrape to remove adhered soil/fill.
2. Scrub using tap water/Alconox[®] solution and bristle brush.
3. Rinse with tap water.
4. Scrub again using tap water/Alconox[®] solution and bristle brush.
5. Rinse with tap water.
6. Rinse with distilled water.
7. Air-dry the equipment, if possible.

3.2 Management of Investigation-Derived Waste (IDW)

IDW will be containerized in New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT)-approved 55-gallon drums or disposed of via tri-axel trucks during excavation activities. The drums will be sealed at the end of each work day and labeled with the date, the excavation grid(s), the type of waste (i.e., drill cuttings), and the name and phone number of an AKRF point-of-contact. All IDW exhibiting field evidence of contamination will be disposed of or treated according to applicable local, state, and federal regulations.

4.0 SAMPLING AND LABORATORY PROCEDURES

4.1 Soil Sampling

Soil sampling will be conducted according to the following procedures:

- Characterize the sample according to the modified Burmister soil classification system.
- Field screen the sample for evidence of contamination (e.g., odors, staining) using visual and olfactory methods and screen for volatile organic compounds (VOCs) using a photoionization detector (PID) equipped with an 11.7 electron Volt (eV) lamp, which has been calibrated to the manufacturers specifications.
- Record sample location, sample depth, and sample observations (evidence of contamination, PID readings, soil classification, etc.) in the field logbook and boring log data sheet, if applicable.
- Collect an aliquot of soil from each proposed sample location, place into the required laboratory-supplied sample containers as described in Section 4.4 of this QAPP, label the sample in accordance with Section 4.6.1 of this QAPP, and place in an ice-filled cooler for shipment to the laboratory.
- Soil sampling for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) will be conducted in accordance with the January 2021 NYSDEC-issued PFAS sampling protocol ["Guidelines for Sampling, Analysis, and Assessment of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Under NYSDEC's Part 375 Remedial Programs"].
- Complete the chain of custody (COC) paperwork and seal the cooler.
- Decontaminate non-dedicated sampling equipment between sample locations in accordance with Section 3.1 of this QAPP and properly dispose of dedicated sampling equipment.

4.2 Groundwater Sampling

Groundwater sampling will be conducted in accordance with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) low flow methodology. Groundwater sampling will be conducted according to the following procedures:

- Remove the well plug and immediately measure the vapor concentrations in the well headspace with a PID equipped with an 11.7 eV lamp, which has been calibrated to the manufacturer's specifications.
- Measure the depth to water and total well depth, and check for the presence of non-aqueous phase liquid (NAPL) using an electronic oil/water interface probe. Measure the thickness of NAPL, if any, and record in the field logbook and field data sheet, if applicable. If present, collect a sample of NAPL using a disposable plastic weighted bailer or similar collection device. Groundwater samples will not be collected from wells containing measurable NAPL.
- Connect dedicated tubing to either a submersible or bladder pump and lower the pump such that the intake of the pump is set at the midpoint of the water column within the screened interval of the well. Connect the discharge end of the tubing to the flow-through cell of a multi-parameter meter (Horiba or equivalent). Connect tubing to the output of the cell and place the discharge end of the tubing in a 5-gallon bucket.
- Activate the pump at the lowest flow rate setting.

- Measure the depth to water within the well once pump is activated. The pump flow rate may be increased such that the water level measurements do not change by more than 0.3 foot as compared to the initial static reading. The well-purging rate should be adjusted to produce a smooth, constant (laminar) flow rate and eliminate excessive turbulence in the well. The expected targeted purge rate will be approximately 0.5 Liter per minute and will be no greater than 3.8 Liters per minute.
- Transfer discharged water from the 5-gallon buckets to 55-gallon drums designated for well-purge water.
- During purging, collect periodic samples and analyze for water quality indicators (e.g., turbidity, pH, temperature, dissolved oxygen, reduction-oxidation potential, and specific conductivity) with measurements collected approximately every five minutes.
- Continue purging the well until turbidity is less than 50 nephthalometric turbidity units (NTU) and water quality indicators have stabilized to the extent practicable. The criteria for stabilization will be three successive readings for the following parameters and criteria:
 - Dissolved Oxygen - +/- 0.3 milligram per Liter (mg/L)
 - Turbidity - <50 NTU
 - ORP/Eh - +/- 10 millivolts (mV)
 - Specific Conductance - +/- 3% millisievert per centimeter (mS/cm)
 - PH - +/- 0.1 pH units
- If the water quality parameters do not stabilize and/or turbidity is greater than 50 NTU within two hours, purging may be discontinued. Efforts to stabilize the water quality for the well must be recorded in the field logbook, and samples may then be collected as described herein.
- After purging, disconnect the tubing to the inlet of the flow-through cell. Collect groundwater samples directly from the discharge end of the tubing, place into the required laboratory-supplied sample containers as described in Section 4.4 of this QAPP, label the sample in accordance with Section 4.6.1 of this QAPP, and place in an ice-filled cooler for shipment to the laboratory.
- Collect one final field sample and analyze for turbidity and water quality parameters (pH, temperature, dissolved oxygen, reduction-oxidation potential, and specific conductivity).
- Record all measurements (depth to water, depth to NAPL, water quality parameters, turbidity), calculations (well volume), and observations in the field logbook and field data sheet, if applicable.
- Groundwater sampling for PFAS will be conducted in accordance with the January 2021 NYSDEC-issued PFAS sampling protocol ["Guidelines for Sampling, Analysis, and Assessment of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Under NYSDEC's Part 375 Remedial Programs"].
- Complete the COC paperwork and seal the cooler.
- Once sampling is complete, remove the pump and tubing from the well. Decontaminate non-dedicated sampling equipment between sample locations in accordance with Section 3.1 of this QAPP and properly dispose of dedicated sampling equipment.

4.3 Soil Vapor Sampling

Soil vapor sampling will be conducted in accordance with NYSDOH Final Guidance on Soil Vapor Intrusion, October 2006. Samples will be collected in either Tedlar® bags or SUMMA® canisters. Soil vapor sampling will be conducted as follows:

- Install a shroud over the vapor sampling point tubing and seal to the surface along the perimeter using duct tape or non-VOC putty, as appropriate.
- Puncture the shroud and pull the vapor sampling point tubing through the shroud to allow for sample collection. Seal the puncture as necessary with duct tape or modeling clay.
- Pierce a second hole in the shroud, and insert new, dedicated silicone tubing through the hole, connecting the other end of the tubing to a helium tank/canister to allow introduction of helium tracer gas. Seal the puncture as necessary with duct tape/modeling clay.
- Connect the vapor sampling point tubing to the inlet port of a low-flow air pump (Gilian GilAir Plus or equivalent). Connect the low-flow air pump discharge port to a Tedlar™ bag.
- Calculate and purge the soil gas sampler of approximately three sampling point volumes using the low-flow air pump and Tedlar bag. The air withdrawal flow rate will be maintained to the extent practicable at less than 0.2 Liter per minute to better control the physical extent from which soil vapor is being drawn from.
- Field screen the sample within the Tedlar™ bag using a calibrated PID and a helium detector (MGD 2002 or equivalent). If elevated concentrations (greater than 1% or 10,000 parts per million) of helium are detected, inspect surface seal, and add hydrated bentonite/modeling clay or make other necessary modifications to reinforce the seal.
- After purging the vapor sampling point, disconnect the sampling point tubing from the low-flow air pump and plug/cap the tubing prior to conducting the vapor sampling.

Following successful testing of the surface seal, the following procedures shall be implemented to collect each soil vapor sample:

- Connect sampling point tubing to the inlet of the SUMMA® canister flow controller/vacuum gauge assembly, which is calibrated for sample collection over a specified sampling period.
- Open the canister valve and record the initial reading from the vacuum gauge on the assembled canister. Record the corresponding time in the field logbook and field data sheet.
- Begin routine sampling measurement collection, including time, sample canister vacuum, and ambient PID reading in vicinity of sample location. Record the routine measurements in the field logbook and field data sheet.
- At the end of the sampling period and always prior to the canister reaching 0 vacuum, close the canister valves, remove the flow controller/vacuum gauge assemblies, cap canisters with threaded caps, label the sample in accordance with Section 4.6.1 of this QAPP, and complete the COC paperwork.

4.4 Laboratory Methods

Eurofins TestAmerica of Edison, New Jersey, a NYSDOH ELAP-certified laboratory subcontracted to AKRF, will be used for all chemical analyses in accordance with the DER-10 2.1(b) and 2.1(f) with Category B Deliverables. Table 1 summarizes the laboratory methods that will be used to analyze field samples and the sample container type, preservation, and applicable holding times.

Table 1
Laboratory Analytical Methods for Analysis Groups

Matrix	Analysis	EPA Method	Bottle Type	Preservative	Hold Time
Soil and Soil QA/QC	Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs)	8260C	EnCore® or TerraCore® Samplers and 2 oz. Plastic Jar	≤ 6 °C	48 hours to extract; 14 days to analyze
	Semivolatile Organic Compounds (SVOCs)	8270D	8 oz. Glass Jar	≤ 6 °C	14 days to extract; 40 days to analyze
	1,4-Dioxane	8270D; 0.1 mg/kg RL	4 oz. Glass Jar	≤ 6 °C	14 days to extract; 40 days to analyze
	Total Analyte List (TAL) Metals, Hexavalent Chromium, and Cyanide	6000/7000 Series, 6010C, 7196A, and 9010C/9012B	8 oz. Glass Jar	≤ 6 °C	6 months for metals; 28 days for mercury; Hexavalent chromium 30 days to extract, 7 days to analyze
	Pesticides	8081B	8 oz. Glass Jar	≤ 6 °C	14 days to extract; 40 days to analyze
	Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)	8082A	8 oz. Glass Jar	≤ 6 °C	14 days to extract; 40 days to analyze
	Per- and Polyfluorinated Compounds (PFAS)	Modified 537.1; 0.5 µg/kg RL	4 oz. HDPE Plastic Jar	≤ 6 °C	14 days to extract; 40 days to analyze
Groundwater and Groundwater QA/QC	VOCs	8260C	40 mL Glass Vials	HCl to pH < 2 and ≤ 6 °C	14 days to analyze if properly preserved
	SVOCs	8270D	500 mL Amber Jar	≤ 6 °C	7 days to extract; 40 days to analyze
	1,4-Dioxane	8270D-SIM; 0.35 µg/L RL	500 mL Amber Jar	≤ 6 °C	7 days to extract; 40 days to analyze
	TAL Metals	6000/7000 Series, and 6010C	500 mL Amber Jar	HNO ₃ to pH < 2	6 months for metals; 28 days for mercury
	Pesticides	8081B	500 mL Amber Jar	≤ 6 °C	7 days to extract; 40 days to analyze
	PCBs	8082A	500 mL Amber Jar	≤ 6 °C	7 days to extract; 40 days to analyze
	PFAS	Modified 537.1; 2 ng/L RL	250 mL HDPE Plastic Bottle	≤ 6 °C	14 days to extract; 40 days to analyze
Soil Vapor	VOCs	TO-15	6L SUMMA® Canister	None	14 days to analyze

Notes:

QA/QC samples will be analyzed for the same parameters as the parent sample, with the exception of the trip blank(s), which will be analyzed for VOCs by EPA Method 8260C only. QA/QC sampling is detailed in Section 4.5.

EPA = Environmental Protection Agency; HDPE = High-Density Polyethylene; RL = Reporting limit; SIM = Selective Ion Monitoring; oz. = Ounce; mg/kg = parts per million; ng/L = parts per trillion; µg/kg = parts per billion; µg/L = parts per billion

4.5 Quality Control (QC) Sampling

In addition to the laboratory analysis of the samples, additional analysis will be included for QC measures, as required by the Category B sampling techniques. The QC samples will include field blank, trip blank, matrix spike/matrix spike duplicate (MS/MSD), and blind duplicate samples at a frequency of one sample per 20 field samples collected or per sample delivery group (SDG). QC samples will be analyzed for the same parameters as the accompanying samples, with the exception of trip blanks, which will be analyzed for the VOC list only.

4.6 Sample Handling

4.6.1 Sample Identification

All samples will be consistently identified in all field documentation, COC documents, and laboratory reports. All samples will be amended with the collection date at the end of the sample name in a year, month, day (YYYYMMDD) format. Blind duplicate sample nomenclature will consist of: the sample type, followed by an "X" and a sequential number of the blind duplicate collected within the SDG and the matrix; and trip and field blanks will consist of "TB-" and "FB-", respectively, followed by a sequential number of the trip/field blank collected within the SDG and the matrix. MS/MSD sample nomenclature will consist of the parent sample name only but triplicate sample volume will be collected and the COC comment section will explain that the additional volume is for running the MS/MSD. In accordance with NYSDEC Environmental Quality Information System (EQuIS™) protocol, special characters will not be used for sample nomenclature and sample IDs below 10 will be amended with a "0".

4.6.1.1. Waste Characterization Soil Sampling

In addition to the nomenclature detailed in Section 4.6.1, waste characterization soil samples will be identified with "WC-", followed by the waste classification grid identification and the depth below grade that the sample was collected from. Five-point composite samples will be amended with "C-" and grab samples will be amended with "G-". Table 2 provides examples of the sampling identification scheme for waste characterization soil samples.

Table 2
Waste Characterization Sample Nomenclature

Sample Description	Sample Designation
Waste classification composite sample collected between grade and 5 feet below grade in grid A1 on July 1, 2023	WC-A1-C_0-5_20230701
Waste classification grab sample collected from 3 feet below grade in grid A1 on July 1, 2023	WC-A1-G_3_20230701

4.6.1.2. Endpoint Soil Sampling

In addition to the nomenclature detailed in Section 4.6.1, endpoint soil samples will be identified with "EP-", followed by the endpoint sample number in sequential order that it was collected and the depth below grade that the sample was collected from. Table 3 provides examples of the sampling identification scheme for the 53 proposed post-excavation endpoint samples.

Table 3
Endpoint Sample Nomenclature

Sample Description	Sample Designation
Excavation endpoint soil sample EP-01 collected from two feet below grade on October 15, 2023	EP-01_2_20231015
Blind duplicate of excavation endpoint soil sample EP-01 collected from two feet below grade on October 15, 2023	EP-X01_2_20231015
Field blank associated with sampling event on October 15, 2023	FB-01_20231015

4.6.1.3. Hot Spot / Tank Excavation Soil Sampling

In addition to the nomenclature detailed in Section 4.6.1, any confirmatory endpoint soil samples collected from a hot spot excavation or previously unknown tank excavation will be identified by the type of excavation, followed by the excavation grid area, cardinal direction of the sidewall, and the depth below grade that the sample was collected from. The sample(s) collected from the bottom of the excavation will be amended with a "B-", followed by the number of bottom samples collected from the excavation in sequential order and the depth below grade that the sample was collected from. Table 4 provides examples of the sampling identification scheme for any hotspot or tank excavation samples.

Table 4
Hot Spot / Tank Excavation Sample Nomenclature

Sample Description	Sample Designation
Soil sample collected from the northern sidewall of the second tank grave at 4 feet below grade on October 15, 2023	UST-2N_4_20231015
Soil sample collected from the bottom of the second tank grave at 6 feet below grade on October 15, 2023	UST-2B01_6_20211015

4.6.1.4. Import/Reuse Soil Sampling

In addition to the nomenclature detailed in Section 4.6.1, import/reuse soil samples will be identified with "ISP-" or "RE", followed by the import sample number in sequential order that it was collected. Table 5 provides examples of the sampling identification scheme for import soil samples.

Table 5
Import Sample Nomenclature

Sample Description	Sample Designation
Import soil sample ISP-01 collected on July 15, 2023	ISP-01_20230715
Blind duplicate of import soil sample ISP-01 collected on July 15, 2023	ISP-X01_20230715
Reuse soil sample RE-01 collected on June 15, 2023	RE-01_20230615

Sample Labeling and Shipping

All sample containers will be affixed with labels containing the following information:

- Project identification, including Site name, BCP Site number, Site address;
- Sample identification;
- Date and time of collection;
- Analysis(es) to be performed; and
- Sampler's initials.

Once the samples are collected and labeled, they will be placed in chilled coolers and stored in a cool area away from direct sunlight to await shipment to the laboratory. All samples will be shipped to the laboratory at least twice per week. At the start and end of each workday, field personnel will add ice to the cooler(s) as needed.

The samples will be prepared for shipment by placing each sample in laboratory-supplied glassware, then wrapping each container in bubble wrap to prevent breakage, and adding freezer packs and/or fresh ice in sealable plastic bags. The COC paperwork will be properly completed by the sampler in ink, and all sample shipment transactions will be documented with signatures, and the date and time of custody transfer. Samples will be shipped overnight (e.g., Federal Express) or transported by a laboratory courier. All coolers shipped to the laboratory will be sealed with mailing tape and a COC seal to ensure that the samples remain under strict COC protocol.

Sample Custody

Field personnel will be responsible for maintaining the sample coolers in a secured location until they are picked up and/or sent to the laboratory. The record of possession of samples from the time they are obtained in the field to the time they are delivered to the laboratory or shipped off-site will be documented on COC paperwork. The COC paperwork will contain the following information: project name; names of sampling personnel; sample number; date and time of collection; sample matrix; signatures of individuals involved in sample transfer; and the dates and times of transfers. Laboratory personnel will note the condition of the custody seal and sample containers at check-in.

4.7 Field Instrumentation

Field personnel will be trained in the proper operation of all field instruments at the start of the field program. Instruction manuals for the equipment will be on file at the Site for referencing proper operation, maintenance, and calibration procedures. The equipment will be calibrated according to manufacturer specifications at the start of each day of fieldwork. If an instrument fails calibration, the project manager or QA/QC officer will be contacted immediately to obtain a replacement instrument. A calibration log will be maintained to record the date of each calibration, any failure to calibrate and corrective actions taken. The PID will be equipped with an 11.7 eV lamp and will be calibrated each day using 100 parts per million (ppm) isobutylene standard gas in accordance with the manufacturer's standards.

4.8 Quality Assurance (QA)

All soil and groundwater laboratory analytical data will be reviewed by a third-party validator and a Data Usability Summary Report (DUSR) will be prepared to document the usability and validity of the data. The Final Engineering Report (FER) will include a detailed description of endpoint sampling activities, data summary tables, concentration map showing endpoint sample locations and concentrations, DUSRs, and laboratory reports.

ATTACHMENT A
**Resumes for AKRF Remedial Engineer, QA/QC Officer, and Project Manager; and Third-Party
Data Validator**

REBECCA KINAL, P.E.

VICE PRESIDENT

Rebecca Kinal has over 20 years of experience in the assessment and remediation of soil and groundwater contamination and other hazardous/non-hazardous waste problems. Ms. Kinal's experience includes environmental due diligence, soil and groundwater investigations, leaking underground storage tank studies, soil gas/vapor intrusion surveys, and oversight of small- and large-scale remediation programs, including design of groundwater remediation systems and vapor mitigation systems. She has directed numerous Phase I and Phase II investigations and remediation programs, many of them in conjunction with commercial/residential developers, law firms, lending institutions, and public agencies. She is experienced in the cleanup of contaminated properties under New York State Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) regulations and the New York City "E-designation" program. As a part of this work, her duties have included technical and report review, proposal writing, scheduling, budgeting, and acting as liaison between clients and regulatory agencies, and project coordination with federal, state, and local authorities.

BACKGROUND

Education

M.S., Hydrogeology, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 1995

B.S., Civil Engineering, Lafayette College, 1992

Licenses/Certifications

State of New York, P.E. Registration No. 082046, 2004

Years of Experience

Year started in company: 2000

Year started in industry: 1996

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

White Plains Mall/Hamilton Green

Ms. Kinal managed environmental due diligence and remediation planning for the project, which included Phase I and II environmental assessments, a petroleum Spill investigation, preparation of remediation cost estimates, and application to the NYSDEC BCP.

New York City School Construction Authority On-Call Contracts for Environmental Consulting Services, Various Sites, NY

Ms. Kinal serves as the project manager for AKRF's on-call hazardous materials consulting contract with the New York City School Construction Authority for over 8 years. For potential new school sites, assignments include initial due diligence, Phase I environmental site assessments, (ESAs) and subsurface investigation of soil, groundwater, and soil vapor to determine the suitability of a site for development as a school, likely remediation requirements, and associated costs. For sites undergoing design and development, assignments include preparation of remediation plan, contract specifications, and design drawings. The work has also included conducting indoor air quality testing, vapor intrusion assessments, preparation of specifications, supervision of storage tank removals, and investigation and remediation of spills for existing schools. Due to the sensitivity of school sites, work under this contract is often conducted on short notice and during non-school hours.



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USTA National Tennis Center, Queens, NY

AKRF prepared an EIS for the New York City Departments of City Planning (DCP) and Environmental Protection (DEP) as co-lead agencies to analyze the expansion of the National Tennis Center, which includes multiple improvements and construction projects at the USTA campus over several years. As part of the EIS requirements, AKRF prepared a Remedial Action Plan for implementation during the proposed project's construction. In accordance with the RAP, vapor mitigation systems were incorporated into the design for several of the proposed structures at the facility, including two new stadiums, a new transportation center, and several practice court facilities. Ms. Kinal prepared the specifications and design drawings for the vapor mitigation and is providing on-going construction support to review contractor submittals and inspect the vapor barrier and sub-slab depressurization system installations.

Montefiore Medical Center, Various Locations, NY

Ms. Kinal provides due diligence assistance to Montefiore Medical Center (MMC) for the ongoing expansion of their facilities, primarily in the Bronx and Westchester County. She conducts and manages environmental due diligence tasks related to their property transactions, including Phase I Environmental Site Assessments (ESAs), Phase II investigations, and geophysical surveys. She also assists MMC in making decisions with respect to environmental risk issues.

Queens West Development Project, Long Island City, NY

For over 20 years, AKRF has played a key role in advancing the Queens West development, which promises to transform an underused industrial waterfront property into one of largest and most vibrant mixed-use communities just across the East River from the United Nations. AKRF has prepared an Environmental Impact Statement that examines issues pertaining to air quality, land use and community character, economic impacts, historic and archaeological resources, and infrastructure. As part of the project, AKRF also undertook the largest remediation ventures completed to date under the NYSDEC Brownfields Cleanup Program (BCP). Ms. Kinal helped prepare the Remedial Work Plan (RWP) and oversaw the remediation of Parcel 9, a 1.8-acre former industrial site. Remediation includes installation of a sheet pile containment wall, excavation of coal tar- and petroleum-contaminated soil under a temporary structure to control odors during remediation, vapor mitigation for the future buildings, and institutional controls. Upon completion of the remediation activities, Ms. Kinal managed the preparation of a Final Engineering Report (FER) to document the clean-up activities. The NYSDEC issued a Certificate of Completion (COC) for the Parcel 9 site in December 2006. Ms. Kinal continues to oversee post-remediation monitoring and site management activities to ensure that the remedy remains in-place and effective.

Roosevelt Union Free School District, Roosevelt, NY

Ms. Kinal managed environmental investigation and remediation activities for the sites of three new elementary schools and a new middle school in Roosevelt, New York. Remediation activities include removal/closure of contaminated dry wells and underground petroleum storage tanks, and excavation and off-site disposal of petroleum- and pesticide-contaminated soil. Remediation of the new middle school site, which also included a sub-slab depressurization system, was conducted through coordination with the NYSDEC, NYSDOH, New York State Education Department (NYSED), and the local school district. Upon completion of the remediation and school construction, Ms. Kinal managed confirmatory indoor air testing and preparation of a Final Engineering Report to document the site clean-up. The NYSDEC issued a Certificate of Completion and the school was open for the Fall 2008 semester as planned.

Proposed NYC Public School Campus, Bronx, NY

Ms. Kinal provided environmental consulting services to the selected environmental remediation contractor for this former manufactured gas plant in the Mott Haven neighborhood of the Bronx, which was remediated under the NYSDEC BCP. These services included: preparation of an in situ sampling plan and excavation plan for waste



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characterization and disposal; supervision of waste characterization sampling activities; development and implementation of a community air monitoring program during all remediation activities; and daily reporting to the NYC School Construction Authority.

National Grid – Halesite Manufactured Gas Plant Site, Town of Huntington, NY

Ms. Kinal served as the project manager for the remedial design and engineering work associated with remediation of National Grid's former manufactured gas plant (MGP) located in the Town of Huntington. The site is situated in a sensitive location along the waterfront, surround by commercial and residential properties, and half the property where the remediation was conducted is a steep slope. The remedy consisted of soil removal, oxygen injection, and non-aqueous phase liquid recovery. Ms. Kinal developed the remedial work plans, design/construction documents, and managed environmental oversight of the remedial work, including waste characterization and tracking, confirmatory endpoint sampling, air monitoring, and reporting to the NYSDEC. After the remediation work was completed, Ms. Kinal prepared appropriate close-out documentation in accordance with NYSDEC requirements.

Shell Service Station, Millwood, NY

Ms. Kinal planned and oversaw a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment and Phase II Subsurface Investigation of this active gasoline station in northern Westchester County. The Phase I/Phase II investigations were performed for the potential buyer of the property who wished to redevelop it with a more modern service station and convenience store. Ms. Kinal also prepared a conceptual remediation plan to address several areas of petroleum contamination identified during the Phase II. The plan, which was approved by NYSDEC, will be implemented in conjunction with the site redevelopment activities to achieve closure for several spills reported at the site.

Pelham Plaza Shopping Center Site Investigation & Remediation, Pelham Manor, NY

Ms. Kinal managed a Site Investigation at Pelham Plaza, an approximately ten-acre site that formerly contained a manufactured gas plant. The site was investigated under a voluntary clean-up agreement entered into with the NYSDEC by the site owner. The site investigation included advancing over 100 soil borings with continuous soil sampling to bedrock, installing monitoring and recovery wells, and conducting test pitting both indoor and outdoor locations to collect soil and groundwater samples and determine the extent of Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid (NAPL). The investigation also included: soil gas sampling to determine contaminant concentrations in the vapors beneath the foundation of an on-site retail store; sediment sampling in an adjacent creek to identify off-site impacts; and a tidal survey to determine tidal influence on groundwater levels at the site. Ms. Kinal also oversaw interim remedial measures, which include biweekly pumping of recovery wells to remove dense NAPL (DNAPL) from the site subsurface.

Shaws Supermarket Redevelopment Project, New Fairfield, CT

Ms. Kinal managed the Remedial Investigation (RI) for an approximately nine-acre shopping center site that was contaminated by releases from former dry cleaning operations. The site was being redeveloped with a new supermarket and separate retail stores. The investigation included the installation of monitoring wells in the intermediate overburden aquifer and bedrock aquifer, sampling of existing and newly installed wells, geophysical logging in bedrock wells, and pump testing in intermediate and bedrock wells. Ms. Kinal prepared a Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP) based on results from the RI, which included a groundwater pump and treat system to contain a plume of perchlorethylene (PCE)-contaminated groundwater, and excavation and disposal of contaminated soil in the presumed source area. Following CTDEP approval of the RAWP, Ms. Kinal prepared bid specifications for soil excavation and remediation system installation, and oversaw their implementation. Ms. Kinal also prepared NPDES permit applications for discharges from construction dewatering and the groundwater remediation system, and conducted associated discharge monitoring.



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Yankee Stadium, Bronx, NY

Ms. Kinal performed the hazardous materials analysis for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed new Yankee Stadium. The analysis included a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment of the entire project area and Subsurface (Phase II) Investigation in areas where environmental conditions were identified. The Phase II investigation included geophysical surveys to search for potential underground storage tanks; and soil, soil gas, and groundwater sampling at over 40 locations to determine potential environmental impacts during and after the proposed construction. Ms. Kinal also developed an extensive community air monitoring plan and oversaw its implementation during deconstruction of the old Yankee Stadium.

Avalon on the Sound, New Rochelle, NY

Ms. Kinal oversaw environmental investigation and soil remediation during the construction of two luxury high-rise apartment buildings and an associated parking garage. Investigation activities included an electromagnetic survey to search for possible underground storage tanks, and subsurface sampling to characterize soil and groundwater. Remediation activities included removing underground storage tanks, excavating and disposing of soil contaminated with volatile and semi-volatile organic compounds, and collecting end-of-excavation confirmation samples.

Dauids Island Environmental Audit, New Rochelle, NY

Ms. Kinal managed the hazardous materials portion of the audit of this undeveloped island site, including a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) and Subsurface (Phase II) Investigation in areas where environmental conditions were identified. The Phase II investigation included collecting soil samples from more than 100 locations and analyzing them for targeted compounds, including volatile organic compounds, semi-volatile compounds, metals, pesticides, and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). Ms. Kinal also oversaw an electromagnetic (EM) survey conducted to identify the location of suspected underground storage tanks on the island. Based on soil sample results, Ms. Kinal estimated the volume of contaminated soil requiring remediation and prepared cost estimates for soil excavation and for transportation and disposal of contaminated soil and hazardous materials.

Outlet City Site Investigation, Queens, NY

Ms. Kinal prepared a work plan for remedial investigation of the Outlet City site, a property in Long Island City that was formerly occupied by a manufacturer of industrial cleaners and pharmaceuticals. The site is being investigated and remediated under the NYSDEC voluntary clean-up program. In preparing the work plan, Ms. Kinal evaluated results from several previous investigations and conducted a limited groundwater sampling program to determine future data needs for designing remediation of creosote-contaminated soil and groundwater. The work plan included additional soil and groundwater sampling, a tidal survey to determine tidal influence on groundwater levels, and pilot free product recovery testing. Ms. Kinal also helped design a venting system for an on-site basement and performed exposure calculations for the vented vapors.

Yonkers Waterfront Redevelopment Project, Yonkers, NY

For this redevelopment along Yonkers' Hudson River waterfront, Ms. Kinal supervised the remediation of Parcels H and I that were contaminated with hazardous soil. During the remediation process, she reviewed the subcontractor health and safety plans, delineated the areas of excavation, and oversaw field activities to ensure compliance with the specifications and appropriate regulations. This property was remediated under the NYSDEC Environmental Restoration Program (ERP).



DEBORAH G. SHAPIRO, QEP

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Deborah Shapiro, QEP is a Senior Vice President with experience in the assessment and remediation of hazardous waste issues. Ms. Shapiro supervises project teams and manages all aspects of assessment and remediation projects. Ms. Shapiro works with developers, non-profit organizations, architects, local community groups, local businesses, and government agencies. Her projects fall under the regulatory oversight of New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP), and New York City Office of Environmental Remediation (NYCOER) including the New York State Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP), New York City Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP), NYSDEC petroleum spills program, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA)/Underground Injection Control (UIC) closures, and NYCOER's E-designation program. Ms. Shapiro has also assisted commercial and industrial property owners with maintaining the integrity of their portfolios by providing compliance related cleanup and chemical storage management services.

Ms. Shapiro manages all aspects of redevelopment projects from the initial Phase I ESA, Phase II, and remediation through post-remedial site management. In addition, her experience includes groundwater investigations, monitoring, and sampling programs; Brownfield and hazardous waste site investigations; In-Situ Chemical Oxidation; underground storage tank studies, including soil contamination delineation, classification, removal and disposal; waste characterization sampling; exposure assessments; on-going remedial action (especially air sparging (AS)/soil vapor extraction (SVE)), and permitting.

BACKGROUND

Education

MS, American University, Environmental Science, 2001

BA, American University, Environmental Studies, 1998

Licenses/Certifications

Health and Safety Operations at Hazardous Materials Sites 29 CFR 1910.120

OSHA 10 Hour Construction Safety & Health Course

OSHA 40 Hour HAZWOPER

OSHA 8 Hour Refresher

OSHA 8 Hour Supervisor

Qualified Environmental Professional, Institute of Professional Environmental Practice

Professional Memberships

Past President, New York City Brownfield Partnership,

Board Member, Residents Forward,

Member, Institute of Professional Environmental Practice,

Years of Experience

22 years in the industry

7 years with AKRF

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

New York City Office of Environmental Remediation, OER On Call Contract, Various Locations, NY

The work has included conducting Phase I environmental site assessments (ESAs) and multi-media sampling of soil, groundwater, and soil vapor for various sites funded by EPA grants. The work plans and investigation reports were completed in accordance with OER and EPA requirements. AKRF also implemented a remedial plan for capping a



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park site in Staten Island. In addition, AKRF provided support to OER and an affordable housing developer to expedite an application for entry into the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP), as well as preparation and implementation of the remedial investigation and remedial plan.

As Project Manager, Ms. Shapiro is managing an on-call contract with the OER for brownfields environmental assessment and remediation.

Brook 156 HDFC, Brook 156, Bronx, NY

AKRF was retained to provide environmental consulting services in connection with the purchase and development of the Site. AKRF prepared a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) of the NYC-owned former gasoline service station and a former railroad. A Tier 1 Vapor Encroachment Screening was also conducted to satisfy HUD's vapor intrusion requirements. AKRF prepared a Remedial Investigation Work Plan (RIWP) and conducted a Remedial Investigation (RI) at the site, which included the collection and analysis of soil, soil vapor, and groundwater. The results of the RI, which were documented in a Remedial Investigation Report (RIR), were used to prepare a New York City Brownfield Cleanup Program (NYCBCP) application. The site was accepted into the New York State Brownfield Cleanup Program (NYSBCP). AKRF prepared a Citizen Participation Plan (CPP), distributed public notices, and conducted multiple Remedial Investigations to further investigate soil, soil vapor, and groundwater at the site prior to redevelopment. The results of the investigations were used to prepare a Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP), which is undergoing review and approval by NYSDEC. The proposed remedy includes excavation of soil, design and installation of a soil vapor extraction system and sub-slab depressurization system, contingent groundwater treatment program, and installation of a vapor barrier and composite cover system.

AS Project Manager, Ms. Shapiro is responsible for managing all technical components of the project, communication with NYSDEC and the Client, and managing the budget.

Elton Crossing - Melrose Commons North Site C, Bronx, NY

AKRF provided environmental consulting services in connection with the purchase and redevelopment of the Elton Crossing site at 899 Elton Avenue in the Bronx, NY. The work initially involved the preparation of a Phase II subsurface investigation including soil and soil vapor testing to determine if the site would be eligible for the New York State Brownfield Cleanup Program (NYSBCP). Upon completion of the investigation, AKRF prepared a NYCBCP Application and the site was accepted into the NYSBCP. AKRF managed all aspects of the brownfield cleanup including; development of Investigation Work Plans, performing Remedial Investigations and Reports, preparation of Phase I ESAs, preparation of a Citizen Participation Plan, distribution of public notices, preparation and implementation of a Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP), design of a sub-slab depressurization system, preparation of the Final Engineering Report and Site Management Plan, and sampling and management of soil disposal. AKRF is in the midst of implementing the Site Management Plan.

As Project Manager, Ms. Shapiro was responsible for managing all technical components of the project, communication with NYSDEC and the Client, and managing the budget.

Bradhurst Cornerstone II Residences, New York, NY

AKRF, Inc. prepared a Part 58 Environmental Assessment (EA) and a NYC CEQR Environmental Assessment Statement for the Bradhurst Cornerstone II Apartments project. This project, which required conveyance of City-owned property to the applicant and HOME funding from the HUD, will result in the construction of 31 units of affordable



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housing on four sites in the Harlem neighborhood of Manhattan. The New York City Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD) served as lead agency for the review and has issued a Negative Declaration for the project. Issues of concern for the environmental review included the identification of project commitments for certain of the four sites related to historic resources, hazardous materials, air quality, and building attenuation. As part of the mitigation of hazardous materials, AKRF conducted a Phase II investigation and prepared a RAP and CHASP.

AKRF prepared a Construction Protection Plan that was reviewed and approved by the New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission and the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. This plan was implemented during construction to protect the Wadleigh Secondary School for the Performing and Visual Arts, a New York City Landmark that is also eligible for listing on the State and National Registers.

As Project Manager, Ms. Shapiro was responsible for managing all technical components of the hazardous materials portion of the project, communication with the regulatory agency and the Client, and managing the budget.

Lambert Houses Redevelopment, Bronx, NY

AKRF performed an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) of the Lambert Houses affordable housing complex located in the West Farms section of the Bronx, NY. Lambert Houses consisted of multi-story apartment buildings, parking garage, and a multi-tenant retail/commercial building alongside the elevated NYC subway. AKRF also conducted a Phase I ESA with a vapor intrusion screen of the Property to satisfy U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)'s vapor intrusion requirements. The Phase I and vapor intrusion screens were prepared in accordance with ASTM E1527-05, ASTM E2600, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)'s All Appropriate Inquiry (AAI) rule. After completion of the EIS, an E-designation for hazardous materials was placed on the site. A subsurface investigation was conducted and a Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP) was prepared under New York City Office of Environmental Remediation (OER) oversight. The site was subsequently entered in the NYC Voluntary Cleanup Program. AKRF is in the midst of implementing the RAWP, which includes remediation of a hydraulic oil spill.

Ms. Shapiro was responsible for managing all technical components of the hazardous materials portion of the project, communication with the regulatory agency and the Client, and managing the budget.

New York City Office of Environmental Remediation, Second Farms, Bronx, NY

AKRF, Inc. was initially contracted by the New York City Office of Environmental Remediation (NYCOER) to conduct a subsurface investigation of a 1.12-acre parcel in the Bronx, New York under the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Brownfield Assessment Grant program. The investigation included a geophysical survey and utility mark-outs, and the collection and analysis of soil, groundwater, soil vapor, indoor air and ambient air samples. AKRF continued working on the project for the developer by preparing a Remedial Action Plan and Environmental Assessment Statement. AKRF is in the midst of implementing the remedy.

As Project Manager, Ms. Shapiro was responsible for managing all technical components of the project, communication with OER, NYCDEP, and the Client, and managing the budget.

3301 Atlantic Avenue, Brooklyn, NY

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DEBORAH G. SHAPIRO, QEP

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

AKRF prepared a Subsurface (Phase II) Investigation Work Plans and conducted Phase IIs at each of the sites, which included the collection and analysis of soil, soil vapor, and groundwater samples. Based on the results of the Phase IIs, which were documented in Subsurface (Phase II) Reports, New York State Brownfield Cleanup Program (NYSBCP) applications were prepared for each of the sites. After acceptance into the NYSBCP, AKRF prepared Citizen Participation Plans (CPPs) and distributed public notices. AKRF prepared Remedial Investigation (RI) Work Plans (RIWPs) and implemented numerous Remediation Investigations for each of the sites to further investigate contaminated media at the site prior to redevelopment, and prepared the RI Reports (RIRs). AKRF is in the midst of preparing Interim Remedial Work Plans for each Site, which include installation of a Soil Vapor Extraction to prevent the off-site migration of contaminants.

As Project Manager, Ms. Shapiro was responsible for managing all technical components of the project, communication with NYSDEC and the Client, and managing the budget.

Atlantic Chestnut Lots 1, 2 & 3, Brooklyn, NY

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As Project Manager, Ms. Shapiro was responsible for managing all technical components of the project, communication with NYSDEC and the Client, and managing the budget.



TIMOTHY MCCLINTOCK

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENTIST

Timothy McClintock has over 12 years of environmental consulting experience primarily in environmental investigation, remediation oversight and project management throughout the northeast. His experience includes writing proposals; planning, implementing and managing Phase I Environmental Site Assessments, Phase II Environmental Site Investigations and Remedial Investigations; overseeing remedial action programs including soil excavation, groundwater handling, remediation system installation, and operation and maintenance; project management and reporting. Many of his remediation projects have been successfully remediated and obtained closure from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP), Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP), Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection (CTDEEP) and Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP).

BACKGROUND

Education

B.S. Environmental Science/Earth Science, University at Albany, 2008

Licenses & Certifications

OSHA 40-hour Health & Safety Training for Hazardous Waste Operations (February, 2018)

NJDEP Subsurface Evaluator & UST Closure (December, 2019)

NYSDOH Certified Asbestos Inspector & Mold Assessor (November, 2018)

USEPA Lead Paint Inspector (October, 2017)

Years of Experience

Date started at AKRF: August, 2017

Prior industry experience: Dorson Environmental Management, Inc. – August 2008 to August 2017 (9 years)

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Former Farm Gasoline Underground Storage Tank Remediation, Somerset County, NJ

Mr. McClintock has been serving as the field team leader and deputy project manager for the LSRP-led remediation of a former gasoline UST located on a farm property in the Watchung Mountain region of New Jersey. Following performance of a site investigation (contamination screening), AKRF is currently conducting an investigation to bioremediate groundwater at the site, which contains primarily residual benzene and MTBE. As the project environmental scientist, Mr. McClintock assisted with the preparation of a Remedial Action Workplan (RAWP), and completed groundwater sampling investigations, a biotreatability study, and an evaluation of data resulting from the site work.

White Plains Mall, 200 Hamilton Avenue, White Plains, New York - Spill Investigation and Brownfield Cleanup Program Enrollment

Mr. McClintock served as the field team leader for the Spill Investigation work associated with historic gasoline stations at the White Plains Mall. As the project environmental scientist, Mr. McClintock assisted senior project staff with the evaluation of historical assessment information, and the development and implementation of a Spill Investigation to delineate the extent of petroleum-contaminated soil and groundwater. Mr. McClintock directed the field effort including the collection of soil and groundwater samples, completed an evaluation of data resulting from the site work, and prepared investigation reports. The project would apply for the NYSDEC Brownfield Cleanup Program.



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ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENTIST | p. 2

New York City School Construction Authority, New York, NY

AKRF provides the New York City School Construction Authority (NYCSCA) with hazardous materials consulting services under an on-call contract. Mr. McClintock has served as field team leader and deputy project manager at various NYCSCA project sites related to due diligence and environmental assessments. As the project environmental scientist, Mr. McClintock has completed Phase I Environmental Site Assessments (ESAs), Phase II (Subsurface) Investigations, Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Assessments, and underground storage tank (UST) and aboveground storage tank (AST) inspections and closures.

Confidential Client: New York City Institutional Site - Soil Classification:

Mr. McClintock served as the field team leader for the soil classification work associated with the proposed development of an addition at a New York City institutional site. As the project environmental scientist, Mr. McClintock assisted senior project staff with the coordination of site work, and directed the field effort including the collection of soil samples to characterize the current subsurface conditions. Mr. McClintock's role also included evaluating the data resulting from the site work and project reporting.

Proposed Public School, Queens, New York - Phase II Investigation

Mr. McClintock served as field team leader for the Phase II Investigation work associated with proposed development of NYCDOE Public School at a vacant lot in Queens, New York. As the project environmental scientist, Mr. McClintock assisted senior project staff with the evaluation of historical assessment information and the development and implementation of the Phase II Investigation to characterize the current subsurface conditions. Mr. McClintock directed the field effort including the collection of soil, soil vapor, and groundwater samples, completed an evaluation of the data resulting from the site work, and prepared investigation reports.

900 King Street Property, 900 King Street, Rye Brook, NY

Mr. McClintock served as field team leader for the Phase II Investigation work associated with proposed development of the 900 King Street property in Rye Brook, NY. As the project environmental scientist, Mr. McClintock assisted senior project staff with the evaluation of historical assessment information and the development and implementation of the Phase II Investigation to characterize the current subsurface conditions. Mr. McClintock directed the field effort including the collection of soil, soil vapor, and groundwater samples, completed an evaluation of the data resulting from the site work, and prepared investigation reports.

1-65 North 12th Street, Brooklyn, New York

The former Bayside Fuel Oil Company operated a commercial petroleum bulk storage facility at the property for several decades. Soil and groundwater contamination resultant of on-site and off-site petroleum releases, off-site manufactured gas plant (MGP) releases, and historic fill have been identified throughout the property. The site is currently owned by the City of New York Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) and the New York City Economic Development Corporation (EDC) is implementing a demolition project to remove all above grade structures at the property. Mr. McClintock assisted senior AKRF project staff with the evaluation of historical assessment information and the preparation of a Remedial Action Plan (RAP) and Construction Health and Safety Plan (CHASP) for the proposed demolition project.

Petroleum Release/Oil Tank Remediation Projects – New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Connecticut (2008 – 2017)

While at another firm, Mr. McClintock completed the design and implementation of environmental investigations and remediation projects associated with petroleum releases at residential and commercial sites throughout the northeast. Tasks included project design, site investigation, project direction and oversight, soil and groundwater



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sampling, data evaluation, client and contractor coordination, regulatory agency interaction and associated reporting and deliverable production.

Phase I Environmental Site Assessment and Phase II Environmental Site Investigation Projects – New York and New Jersey (2008 – 2017)

During his time with Dorson Environmental Management, Inc., Mr. McClintock completed Phase I and Phase II environmental site assessments (ESAs) and investigations (ESIs) at residential and commercial properties associated with real estate transactions. Tasks included site inspections, historic environmental data report and regulatory record evaluations, environmental media sampling, client and contractor coordination, and associated reporting and deliverable production.

Storm Water Investigation Projects – New York (2008 – 2017)

Mr. McClintock assisted senior project staff with the investigation of actual and suspected storm water discharges at various sites throughout New York while at Dorson Environmental Management, Inc. Tasks included investigation into suspected non-permitted storm water discharges for environmental attorneys, preparation of Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans (SWPPP) to assist property owners with obtaining the NYSDEC General Permit for Storm Water Discharges, storm water sampling, storm water drainage mapping, data evaluation, and associated reporting and deliverable production.

Former Flamingo Cleaners, 149 North Avenue, New Rochelle, New York

Mr. McClintock completed site investigations, developed a Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP), provided remediation oversight and regulatory agency interaction, conducted environmental media sampling, and prepared report packages associated with comingled petroleum and chlorinated contamination at a former dry cleaning facility. The work was conducted in accordance with the NYSDEC Brownfield Cleanup Program and included site characterization, excavation and disposal of contaminated source material, removal and treatment of contaminated groundwater, in situ chemical oxidation of residual contamination and the implementation of institutional and engineering controls.

Former Gasoline Station, 66 Milton Road, Rye, NY

Mr. McClintock designed and implemented a site investigation and remedial excavation program to address historic contamination at a former gasoline station. The site work included the delineation of the residual soil and groundwater contamination, excavation of contaminated source material, removal of contaminated groundwater, post-remedial soil and groundwater sampling and associated reporting to close the NYSDEC spill number associated with the property. All site work was coordinated through the current building management and tenant association, the NYSDEC and the City of Rye.

Water and Mold Damage Investigation and Remediation Projects – New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut (2008 – 2017)

Mr. McClintock completed the design and implementation of environmental investigations, cause and origin analyses, and remedial projects associated with water and mold damage claims for various insurance carriers during his tenure with Dorson Environmental Management. Tasks included site investigation, cause and origin determination, project direction and oversight, environmental media sampling, data evaluation, client and contractor coordination, and associated reporting and deliverable production.



L.A.B. Validation Corp., 14 West Point Drive, East Northport, New York 11731

Lori A. Beyer

SUMMARY:

General Manager/Laboratory Director with a solid technical background combined with Management experience in environmental testing industry. Outstanding organizational, leadership, communication and technical skills. Customer focused, quality oriented professional with consistently high marks in customer/employee satisfaction.

EXPERIENCE:

1998-Present L.A.B. Validation Corporation, 14 West Point Drive, East Northport, NY

President

- Perform Data Validation activities relating to laboratory generated Organic and Inorganic Environmental Data.

1998-Present American Analytical Laboratories, LLC. 56 Toledo Street, Farmingdale, NY

Laboratory Director/Technical Director

- Plan, direct and control the operation, development and implementation of programs for the entire laboratory in order to meet AAL's financial and operational performance standards.
- Ensures that all operations are in compliance with AAL's QA manual and other appropriate regulatory requirements.
- Actively maintains a safe and healthy working environment that is demanded by local laws/regulations.
- Monitors and manages group's performance with respect to data quality, on time delivery, safety, analyst development/goal achievement and any other key performance indices.
- Reviews work for accuracy and completeness prior to release of results to customers.

1996-1998 Nytest Environmental, Inc. (NEI) Port Washington, New York

General Manager

- Responsible for controlling the operation of an 18,000 square foot facility to meet NEI's financial and operational performance standards.
- Management of 65 FTEs including Sales and Operations
- Ensure that all operations are in compliance with NEI's QA procedures
- Ensures that productivity indicators, staffing levels and other cost factors are held within established guidelines
- Maintains a quantified model of laboratory's capacity and uses this model as the basis for controlling the flow of work into and through the lab so as to ensure that customer requirements and lab's revenue and contribution targets are achieved.

1994-1996 Nytest Environmental, Inc. (NEI) Port Washington, New York

Technical Project Manager

- Responsible for the coordination and implementation of environmental testing programs requirements between NEI and their customers
- Supervise Customer Service Department
- Assist in the development of major proposals
- Complete management of all Federal and State Contracts and assigned commercial contracts
- Provide technical assistance to the customer, including data validation and interpretation
- Review and implement Project specific QAPP's.

1995-1996 Nytest Environmental, Inc. (NEI) Port Washington, New York

Corporate QA/QC Officer

- Responsible for the implementation of QA practices as required in the NJDEP and EPA Contracts
- Primary contact for NJDEP QA/QC issues including SOP preparation, review and approval
- Responsible for review, verification and adherence to the Contract requirements and NEI QA Plan

1992-1994 Nytest Environmental, Inc. (NEI) Port Washington, New York

Data Review Manager

- Responsible for the accurate compilation, review and delivery of analytical data to the company's customers. Directly and effectively supervised a department of 22 personnel.
- Managed activities of the data processing software including method development, form creation, and production
- Implement new protocol requirements for report and data management formats
- Maintained control of data storage/archival areas as EPA/CLP document control officer

1987-1991 Nytest Environmental, Inc. (NEI) Port Washington, New York

Data Review Specialist

- Responsible for the review of GC, GC/MS, Metals and Wet Chemistry data in accordance with regulatory requirements
- Proficient with USEPA, NYSDEC, NJDEP and NEESA requirements
- Review data generated in accordance with SW846, NYSDEC ASP, EPA/CLP and 40 CFR Methodologies

1986-1987 Nytest Environmental, Inc (NEI) Port Washington, New York

GC/MS VOA Analyst

EDUCATION:

1982-1985 State University of New York at Stony Brook, New York; BS Biology/Biochemistry

1981-1982 University of Delaware; Biology/Chemistry

5/91 Rutgers University; Mass Spectral Data Interpretation Course, GC/MS Training

8/92 Westchester Community College; Organic Data Validation Course

9/93 Westchester Community College; Inorganic Data Validation Course

ATTACHMENT C

HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN (HASP) & COMMUNITY AIR MONITORING PLAN (CAMP)

**JEAN'S PLACE
485 VAN SINDEREN AVENUE
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK**

**Health and Safety Plan and Community Air
Monitoring Plan**

**AKRF Project Number: 170447
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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This Health and Safety Plan (HASP) and Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) were prepared by AKRF, Inc. (AKRF) on behalf of Jean's Place Housing Development Fund Corporation (HDFC) and Jean's Place One Limited Partnership (the Volunteers) for the Jean's Place site located at 485 Van Sinderen Avenue in the Brownsville neighborhood of Brooklyn, New York, hereafter referred to as "the Site". The approximately 25,790-square foot Site is identified on the New York City Tax Map as Brooklyn Borough Tax Block 3799, Lot 1. The Site is currently enrolled in the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) (BCP Site No. C224275).

The Site is currently a vacant lot that was formerly developed with two interconnected, former manufacturing buildings and adjacent asphalt-paved storage areas until their demolition in late 2018. The Site was occupied by a furniture manufacturing company until 2015, and has been vacant since 2015. The surrounding area is developed primarily with residential, commercial, industrial, manufacturing, and transportation uses. The Site is bounded by: Arthur N. Brooks Center for Positive Change to the north; a residential building ["Beverly's Place"; New York City Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) Site No. 17CVC062K] and seven private residences to the east; a mixed-use residential building to the south; and Van Sinderen Avenue to the west, followed by the Long Island Rail Road (LIRR) - Bay Ridge Branch freight-only train tracks. The elevated New York City Transit (NYCT) L train subway line is located above Van Sinderen Avenue to the west and the elevated NYCT 3 train subway line is located above Livonia Avenue to the south.

Based on an evaluation of the data and information from previous investigations, there is contaminated soil, groundwater, and soil vapor present at the Site that is principally attributable to historic industrial and manufacturing operations at the Site. The identification of chlorinated volatile organic compounds (CVOCs), including chloroform (in groundwater), tetrachloroethylene (PCE) (in groundwater and soil vapor), and trichloroethylene (TCE) (in shallow soil/fill, groundwater, and soil vapor), are likely related to historic industrial and manufacturing operations at the Site and in the surrounding area. Elevated concentrations of metals, semivolatile organic compounds (SVOCs), polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), and the pesticide 4,4'-DDT detected in shallow soil/fill are likely attributable to historic fill, and are not believed to be related to discharges from historic operations at the Site. The metals detected in groundwater are consistent with regional background conditions typical of groundwater quality in Brooklyn, and are not believed to be related to historic operations at the Site.

2.0 HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

2.1 Hazard Evaluation

2.1.1 Hazards of Concern

Table 1
Hazards of Concern

X	Organic Chemicals	X	Inorganic Chemicals		Radiological
	Biological	X	Explosive/Flammable		Oxygen Deficient Atm.
X	Heat Stress	X	Cold Stress		Carbon Monoxide
Comment: No personnel without confined space entry permits may to enter confined spaces.					

2.1.2 Physical Characteristics

Table 2
Physical Characteristics

X	Liquid	X	Solid		Sludge
X	Vapors		Unknown		Other

2.1.3 Hazardous Materials

Table 3
Hazardous Materials

Chemicals		Solids		Solvents		Oils	
	Acids	X	Ash		Halogens		Transformer
	Caustics	X	Asbestos		Petroleum	X	Motor
X	Pesticides		Tailings	X	CVOCs	X	Hydraulic
X	Petroleum	X	Fill			X	Gasoline
	Inks					X	Fuel
X	PCBs						Waste
X	Metals						
X	SVOCs						
	Ammonia						

2.1.4 Chemicals of Concern

Table 4
Chemicals Of Concern

Chemicals	REL/PEL/STEL (ppm)	Health Hazards
4,4'-DDT	REL = 0.05 mg/m ³ PEL = 1 mg/m ³	Tremors/shakiness, seizures, vomiting, liver and reproduction damage; [potential occupational carcinogen]
Arsenic	REL = 0.002 mg/m ³ PEL = 0.01 mg/m ³	Ulceration of nasal septum, dermatitis, gastrointestinal disturbances, peripheral neuropathy, respiratory irritation, hyperpigmentation of skin; potential occupational carcinogen.
Barium	REL = 0.5 mg/m ³ PEL = 0.5 mg/m ³	Irritation of eyes, skin, upper respiratory system; skin burns; gastroenteritis; muscle spasm; slow pulse, extrasystoles; hypokalemia.
Benzene	REL = 0.1 ppm PEL = 1 ppm STEL = 5 ppm	Irritation eyes, skin, nose, respiratory system; dizziness; headache, nausea, staggered gait; anorexia, lassitude, dermatitis; bone marrow depression, potential occupational carcinogen.
Cadmium	PEL = 0.005 mg/m ³	Pulmonary edema, dyspnea (breathing difficulty), cough, chest tightness, substernal (occurring beneath the sternum) pain; headache; chills, muscle aches; nausea, vomiting, diarrhea; anosmia (loss of the sense of smell), emphysema, proteinuria, mild anemia; [potential occupational carcinogen].
Chloroform	REL = 2 ppm PEL = 50 ppm	Irritation eyes, skin; dizziness, mental dullness, nausea, confusion; headache, lassitude (weakness, exhaustion); anesthesia; enlarged liver
Chromium	REL = 0.5 mg/m ³ PEL = 0.5 mg/m ³	Irritation eyes, skin; sensitization dermatitis; lung fibrosis (histologic)
Copper	REL = 0.1 mg/m ³ PEL = 0.1 mg/m ³	Irritation eyes, upper respiratory system; metal fume fever: chills, muscle ache, nausea, fever, dry throat, cough, lassitude (weakness, exhaustion); metallic or sweet taste; discoloration skin, hair.
Ethylbenzene	REL = 100 ppm PEL = 100 ppm	Irritation eyes, skin, mucous membrane; headache; dermatitis; narcosis, coma.
Fuel Oil	REL = 350 mg/m ³ PEL = 400 ppm	Nausea, irritation – eyes, hypertension, headache, light-headedness, loss of appetite, poor coordination; long-term exposure – kidney damage, blood clotting problems; potential carcinogen.
Lead	REL = 0.05 mg/m ³ PEL = 0.05 mg/m ³	Lassitude (weakness, exhaustion), insomnia; facial pallor; anorexia, weight loss, malnutrition; constipation, abdominal pain, colic; anemia; gingival lead line; tremor; paralysis wrist, ankles; encephalopathy; kidney disease; irritation eyes; hypertension.
Manganese	REL = 1 mg/m ³ PEL = 5 mg/m ³ STEL = 3 mg/m ³	Manganism; asthenia, insomnia, mental confusion; metal fume fever: dry throat, cough, chest tightness, dyspnea (breathing difficulty), rales, flu-like fever; lower back pain; vomiting; malaise (vague feeling of discomfort); lassitude (weakness, exhaustion); kidney damage.

Table 4
Chemicals Of Concern

Chemicals	REL/PEL/STEL (ppm)	Health Hazards
Mercury	REL = 0.1 mg/m ³ PEL = 0.05 mg/m ³	Irritation eyes, skin; cough, chest pain, dyspnea (breathing difficulty), bronchitis, pneumonitis; tremor, insomnia, irritability, indecision, headache, lassitude (weakness, exhaustion); stomatitis, salivation; gastrointestinal disturbance, anorexia, weight loss; proteinuria.
Naphthalene	REL = 15 ppm PEL = 10 ppm	Irritation eyes; headache, confusion, excitement, malaise (vague feeling of discomfort); nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain; irritation bladder; profuse sweating; jaundice; hematuria (blood in the urine), renal shutdown; dermatitis, optical neuritis, corneal damage.
Nickel	REL = 0.015 mg/m ³ PEL = 1 mg/m ³	Sensitization dermatitis, allergic asthma, pneumonitis; [potential occupational carcinogen].
PCBs	PCB-1242: REL = 1 mg/m ³ PEL = 0.001 mg/m ³ PCB-1254: REL = 0.5 mg/m ³ PEL = 0.001 mg/m ³	Rash; anemia, liver, stomach, thyroid damage; reduced ability to fight disease; impaired reproduction.
PCE	PEL = 100 ppm STEL = 200 ppm	Irritation eyes, skin, nose, throat, respiratory system; nausea; flush face, neck; dizziness, poor coordination; headache, drowsiness; skin erythema (skin redness); liver damage; potential occupational carcinogen.
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)	PEL = 5 mg/m ³	Harmful effects to skin, bodily fluids, and ability to fight disease, reproductive problems; [potential occupational carcinogen].
TCE	PEL = 100 ppm	Lassitude (weakness, exhaustion), dizziness, tremor, drowsiness, nausea, vomiting; dermatitis; cardiac arrhythmias, paresthesia; liver injury; [potential occupational carcinogen].
Toluene	REL = 100 ppm PEL = 200 ppm STEL = 300 ppm	Irritation eyes, nose; lassitude, confusion, euphoria, dizziness, headache; dilated pupils, lacrimation (discharge of tears); anxiety, muscle fatigue, insomnia; paresthesia (skin tingling or numbness); dermatitis; liver, kidney damage.
Xylenes	REL = 100 ppm PEL = 100 ppm	Irritation eyes, skin, nose, throat; dizziness, excitement, drowsiness, poor coordination, staggering gait; corneal vacuolization; anorexia, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain; dermatitis.
Zinc	REL = 5 mg/m ³ PEL = 5 mg/m ³	Metal fume fever: chills, muscle ache, nausea, fever, dry throat, cough; lassitude (weakness, exhaustion); metallic taste; headache; blurred vision; low back pain; vomiting; malaise (vague feeling of discomfort); chest tightness; dyspnea (breathing difficulty), rales, decreased pulmonary function.
Particulates	PEL = 15 mg/m ³ (total) PEL = 5 mg/m ³ (respirable)	Irritation eyes, skin, throat, upper respiratory system.

Table 4
Chemicals Of Concern

Chemicals	REL/PEL/STEL (ppm)	Health Hazards
Notes: REL = National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Recommended Exposure Limit PEL = OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit STEL = OSHA Short Term Exposure Limit mg/m ³ = milligrams per cubic meter; ppm = parts per million		

2.2 Designated Personnel

AKRF will appoint one of its on-site personnel as the field team leader, field technician, and Site Safety Officer (SSO). This individual will be responsible for the implementation of this HASP. The field team leader will work under the direction of a Qualified Environmental Professional (QEP), and will be experienced in the implementation of air monitoring and hazardous materials sampling programs.

2.3 Training

All personnel who enter the work area while intrusive activities are being performed will have completed a 40-hour training course that meets the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements of 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 1910, Occupational Safety and Health Standards. In addition, all personnel will have up-to-date 8-hour refresher training. The training will allow personnel to recognize and understand the potential hazards to health and safety. All field personnel must attend a training program, whose purpose is to:

- Make them aware of the potential hazards they may encounter;
- Provide the knowledge and skills necessary for them to perform the work with minimal risk to health and safety;
- Make them aware of the purpose and limitations of safety equipment; and
- Ensure that they can safely avoid or escape from emergencies.

Each member of the field crew will be instructed in these objectives before he/she goes onto the Site. A Site safety meeting will be conducted at the start of the project. Additional meetings shall be conducted, as necessary, for new personnel working at the Site.

2.4 Medical Surveillance Program

All AKRF and subcontractor personnel performing field work involving subsurface disturbance at the Site are required to have passed a complete medical surveillance examination in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.120 (f). A physician's medical release for work will be confirmed by the SSO before an employee can begin Site activities. The medical release shall consider the type of work to be performed and the required personal protective equipment (PPE). The medical examination will, at a minimum, be provided annually and upon termination of hazardous waste Site work.

2.5 Site Work Zones

During any activities involving subsurface disturbance, the work area must be divided into various zones to prevent the spread of contamination, ensure that proper protective equipment is donned, and provide an area for decontamination.

The exclusion zone is defined as the area where exposure to contaminated media could be encountered. The contamination reduction zone (CRZ) is the area where decontamination procedures take place and is located next to the exclusion zone. The support zone is the area where support facilities such as vehicles, fire extinguisher, and first aid supplies are located. The emergency staging area (part of the support zone) is the area where all workers on-site would assemble in the event of an emergency. A summary of these areas is provided below. These zones may be changed by the SSO, depending on that day's activities. All field personnel will be informed of the location of these zones before work begins.

Appropriate barriers will be set up to secure the area and prevent any unauthorized personnel from approaching within 15 feet of the work area.

Table 5
Site Work Zones

Task	Exclusion Zone	CRZ	Support Zone
Soil Excavation and Storage Tank Removal (if any) Areas	15 feet from excavation border and excavation equipment or vehicles	15 feet from excavation border and excavation equipment or vehicles	As Needed

2.6 Air Monitoring Program

The purpose of the air monitoring program is to identify any exposure of the field personnel to potential environmental hazards in the soil and soil vapor. Results of the air monitoring will be used to determine the appropriate response action, if needed.

2.6.1 Work Zone Air Monitoring

Real time air monitoring of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and particulates will be performed in the work zone during all intrusive Site activities. Work zone air monitoring for VOCs will be performed with a photoionization detector (PID) equipped with an 11.7 electron Volt (eV) lamp. The PID will be calibrated with 100 parts per million (ppm) isobutylene standard gas in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications at the start of each work day. Work zone air monitoring for particulates will be conducted using a TSI SidePak AM520™ or equivalent to measure the concentration of airborne respirable particulates less than 10 micrometers in size (PM₁₀).

The SSO shall set up the equipment and confirm that it is working properly. His/her designee may oversee the air measurements during the day. Measurements will be taken prior to commencement of work and continuously during the work. Measurements will be made as close to the workers as practicable and at the breathing height of the workers. The action levels and required responses are listed in the following table:

Table 6
Work Zone Air Monitoring Action Levels

Instrument	Action Level	Response Action
PID	Less than 5 ppm in breathing zone	Level D or D-Modified
	Between 5 ppm and 50 ppm	Level C
	More than 50 ppm	Stop work. Resume work when readings are less than 50 ppm

Table 6
Work Zone Air Monitoring Action Levels

Instrument	Action Level	Response Action
Particulate Monitor (TSI SidePak AM520™ or equivalent)	Less than 0.15 mg/m ³ above background in breathing zone	Level D, D-Modified, or C (subject to PID reading)
	More than 0.15 mg/m ³ above background in breathing zone	Stop work. Resume work when readings are less than 0.15 mg/m ³ .
Notes: mg/m ³ = milligrams per cubic meter; ppm = parts per million		

2.6.2 Community Air Monitoring Plan

Community air monitoring will be conducted during all intrusive Site activities in compliance with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) Generic Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP). Real-time air monitoring for volatile compounds and particulate at the perimeter of the exclusion zone will be performed as described below.

2.6.2.1. Roving Air Monitoring

VOC Monitoring

Periodic monitoring for VOCs will be conducted during non-intrusive activities such as the collection of excavation endpoint soil samples. Periodic monitoring may include obtaining measurements upon arrival at a location and upon leaving the location.

Continuous monitoring for VOCs will be conducted during all ground intrusive activities, including excavation and tank removal (if any) activities. Upwind concentrations will be measured at the start of each workday and periodically thereafter to establish background concentrations. VOCs will be monitored continuously at the downwind perimeter of the exclusion zone. Monitoring will be conducted with a PID equipped with an 11.7 eV lamp capable of calculating 15-minute running average concentrations.

More frequent intervals of monitoring will be conducted if required as determined by the SSO. All PID readings will be recorded and available for NYSDEC and NYSDOH personnel to review. Instantaneous readings, if any, will also be recorded.

Particulate Monitoring

Continuous monitoring for particulates will be conducted during all ground intrusive activities, which will involve the measurement of respirable dust. Community air monitoring for dust particulates will be conducted using a TSI SidePak AM520™ or equivalent to measure the concentration of airborne respirable particulates less than 10 micrometers in size (PM₁₀). The dust monitor will be capable of calculating 15-minute running average concentrations and equipped with an audible alarm to indicate exceedance of action levels. Background readings and any readings that trigger response actions will be recorded in the field logbook, which will be available on site for NYSDOH and/or NYSDEC review.

2.6.2.2. Fixed Air Monitoring Stations

Fixed air monitoring stations will be set up at the upwind and downwind perimeters of the exclusion zone (2 total) during all ground intrusive activities and will continuously log VOC and particulate levels. Each fixed monitoring station will be fully enclosed and equipped with the following:

- A PID equipped with an 11.7 eV lamp capable of calculating 15-minute running average VOC concentrations;
- A TSI 8530 DustTrak II or equivalent dust monitor capable of measuring the concentration of airborne respirable particulates less than 10 micrometers in size (PM₁₀) and calculating 15-minute running average particulate concentrations; and
- A Netronix™ Thiamus™ ICU-820 or equivalent Global System for Mobile Communication (GSM)/Global Positioning System (GPS) device capable of recording air monitoring and location data.

Each monitoring station will be capable of sending e-mail alerts to the SSO to indicate an exceedance of action levels. Additionally, the SSO will conduct an inspection of the monitoring stations on at least an hourly basis. Upon completion of Site activities, all air monitoring data will be available to download via the iEnvironet® website. All air monitoring data recorded at the fixed monitoring stations will be available for NYSDOH and/or NYSDEC review and will be included in the Final Engineering Report (FER).

2.6.2.3. Community Air Monitoring Action Levels

VOC Action Levels

The following actions will be taken based on organic vapor levels measured:

- If total organic vapor levels exceed 5 ppm above background for the 15-minute average at the exclusion zone perimeter, work activities will be temporarily halted and monitoring continued. If levels readily decrease (per instantaneous readings) below 5 ppm above background, work activities will resume with continued monitoring.
- If total organic vapor levels at the downwind perimeter of the exclusion zone persist at levels in excess of 5 ppm above background but less than 25 ppm, work activities will be halted, the source of vapors identified, corrective actions taken to abate emissions, and monitoring continued. After these steps, work activities will resume provided that the total organic vapor level 200 feet downwind of the hot zone or half the distance to the nearest potential receptor or residential/commercial structure, whichever is less – but in no case less than 20 feet – is below 5 ppm above background for the 15-minute average.
- If the total organic vapor level is above 25 ppm at the perimeter of the exclusion zone, activities will be shutdown.

Particulate Action Levels

The following actions will be taken based on particulate levels measured:

- If the downwind particulate concentrations are greater than 0.1 milligram per cubic meter (mg/m^3) above background (upwind concentrations), and no other obvious source is apparent, then it will be assumed that the elevated particulate concentrations are a result of Site activities. In such instances, particulate suppression measures will be implemented and monitoring will be continued. Work will be allowed to continue with dust suppression if downwind particulate levels do not exceed $0.15 \text{ mg}/\text{m}^3$ above the background (upwind concentration) and provided that no visible dust is migrating from the work area.
- If particulate levels persist at $0.15 \text{ mg}/\text{m}^3$ above the background, work must be stopped until dust suppression measures bring particulate levels to below $0.15 \text{ mg}/\text{m}^3$ above background.

Major Vapor Emission Response Plan

If any organic levels greater than 5 ppm over background are identified 200 feet downwind from the work Site, or half the distance to the nearest residential or commercial property, whichever is less, all work activities must be halted or vapor controls must be implemented.

If, following the cessation of the work activities, or as the result of an emergency, organic levels persist above 5 ppm above background 200 feet downwind or half the distance to the nearest residential or commercial property from the exclusion zone, then the air quality must be monitored within 20 feet of the perimeter of the nearest residential or commercial structure (20-foot zone).

If either of the following criteria is exceeded in the 20-foot zone, then the Major Vapor Emission Response Plan shall automatically be implemented:

- Sustained organic vapor levels approaching 1 ppm above background for a period of more than 30 minutes; or
- Organic vapor levels greater than 5 ppm above background for any time period.

Upon activation, the following activities shall be undertaken as part of the Major Vapor Emission Response Plan:

- The NYSDEC, NYSDOH, and local police authorities will be immediately contacted by the SSO and advised of the situation;
- Frequent air monitoring will be conducted at 30-minute intervals within the 20-foot zone. If two successive readings below action levels are measured, air monitoring may be halted or modified by the Site Health and Safety Officer; and
- All emergency contacts will go into effect, as appropriate.

All readings will be recorded and be available for NYSDEC and NYSDOH personnel to review.

2.6.3 Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)

The PPE required for various kinds of Site investigation tasks are based on 29 CFR 1910.120, Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response, Appendix B, "General Description and Discussion of the Levels of Protection and Protective Gear."

AKRF field personnel and other Site personnel shall wear, at a minimum, Level D PPE. The protection will be based on the air monitoring described in this section.

Table 7
Personal Protection Equipment Requirements

LEVEL OF PROTECTION & PPE		All Tasks
Level D ☒ Steel Toe Shoes ☒ Hard Hat (within 25 ft. of excavator) ☒ Work Gloves	☒ Safety Glasses ☐ Face Shield ☒ Ear Plugs (within 25 ft. of excavator) ☒ Nitrile Gloves ☒ Tyvek for tank contractor if NAPL present	Yes
Level C (add to Level D) ☒ Half-Face Respirator ☒ Full Face Respirator ☐ Full-Face PAPR	☐ Particulate Cartridge ☐ Organic Cartridge ☒ Dual Organic/Particulate Cartridge	If PID > 5 ppm
Comments: Cartridges to be changed out at least once per shift unless warranted beforehand (e.g., more difficult to breath or any odors detected). PAPR = powered air purifying respirator		

2.7 General Work Practices

To protect their health and safety, all field personnel will adhere to the guidelines listed below during activities involving subsurface disturbance:

- Eating, drinking, chewing gum or tobacco, and smoking are prohibited except in designated areas on the Site. These areas will be designated by the SSO.
- Workers must wash their hands thoroughly on leaving the work area and before eating, drinking, or any other such activity.
- The workers should shower as soon as possible after leaving the Site. Contact with contaminated or suspected surfaces should be avoided.
- The buddy system should always be used; each buddy should watch for signs of fatigue, exposure, and heat/cold stress.
- Supplemental COVID-19 procedures (Appendix E) shall be adhered to during work-related commuting and on-site activities, as applicable.

3.0 EMERGENCY PROCEDURES AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

The field crew will be equipped with emergency equipment, such as a first aid kit and disposable eye washes. In the case of a medical emergency, the SSO will determine the nature of the emergency and he/she will have someone call for an ambulance, if needed. If the nature of the injury is not serious, i.e., the person can be moved without expert emergency medical personnel, he/she should be driven to the Brookdale University Hospital Medical Center by on-site personnel. Directions to the hospital are provided below, and a hospital route map is provided as Figure 2.

3.1 Hospital Directions

Table 8
Hospital Directions

Hospital Name:	Brookdale University Hospital Medical Center
Phone Number:	718-240-5000
Address/Location:	1 Brookdale Plaza, Brooklyn, New York 11212
Directions:	1. Turn LEFT out of the Site, on Van Sinderen Avenue. 2. Turn RIGHT onto New Lots Avenue. 3. Turn LEFT onto Watkins Street. 4. Turn RIGHT onto Linden Boulevard. 5. Stay RIGHT on the Linden Boulevard Service Road. 6. The emergency room will be on the RIGHT, at the corner of Linden Boulevard and Rockaway Boulevard.

3.2 Emergency Contacts

Table 9
Emergency Contacts

Company	Individual Name	Title	Contact Number
AKRF	Rebecca A. Kinal, P.E.	Remedial Engineer	914-922-2362 (office)
	Deborah Shapiro, QEP	QA/QC Officer	646-388-9544 (office)
	Tim McClintock	Project Manager	914-922-2374 (office)
	TBD	Field Team Leader	TBD
Jean's Place HDPC	Emory Brooks	Volunteer Representative	718-802-0666 (office)
Ambulance, Fire Department, & Police Department	-	-	911
NYSDEC Spill Hotline	-	-	800-457-7362

4.0 APPROVAL & ACKNOWLEDGMENTS OF HASP

Signed: _____ Date: _____
AKRF Project Manager

Signed: _____ Date: _____
AKRF Health and Safety Officer

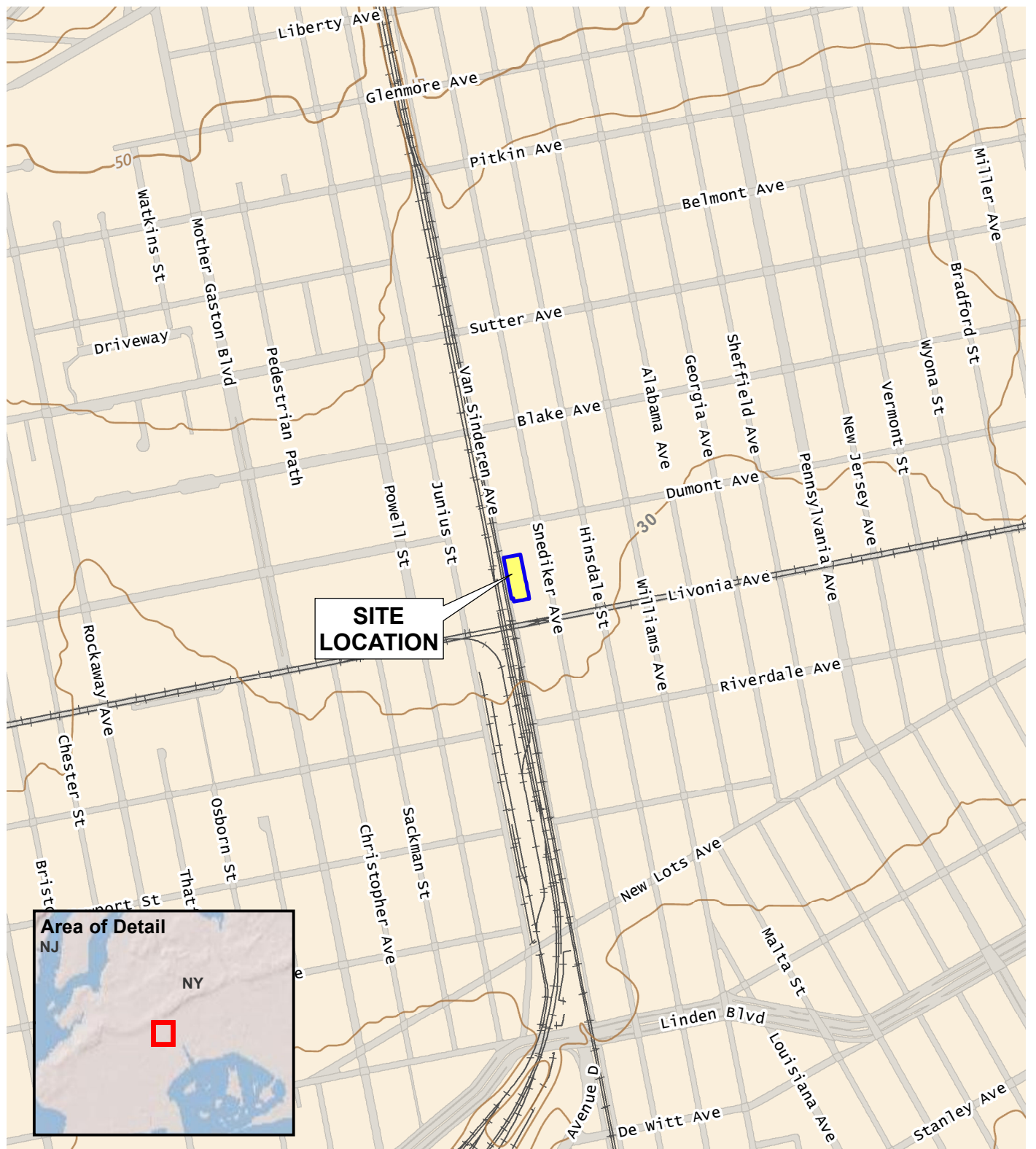
Below is an affidavit that must be signed by all workers who enter the site. A copy of the HASP must be on-site at all times and will be kept by the field team leader.

AFFIDAVIT

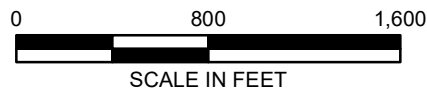
I, _____ (name), of _____ (company name), have read the HASP for the Jean's Place Site located at 485 Van Sinderen Avenue in Brooklyn, New York. I agree to conduct all on-site work in accordance with the requirements set forth in this HASP and understand that failure to comply with this HASP could lead to my removal from the Site.

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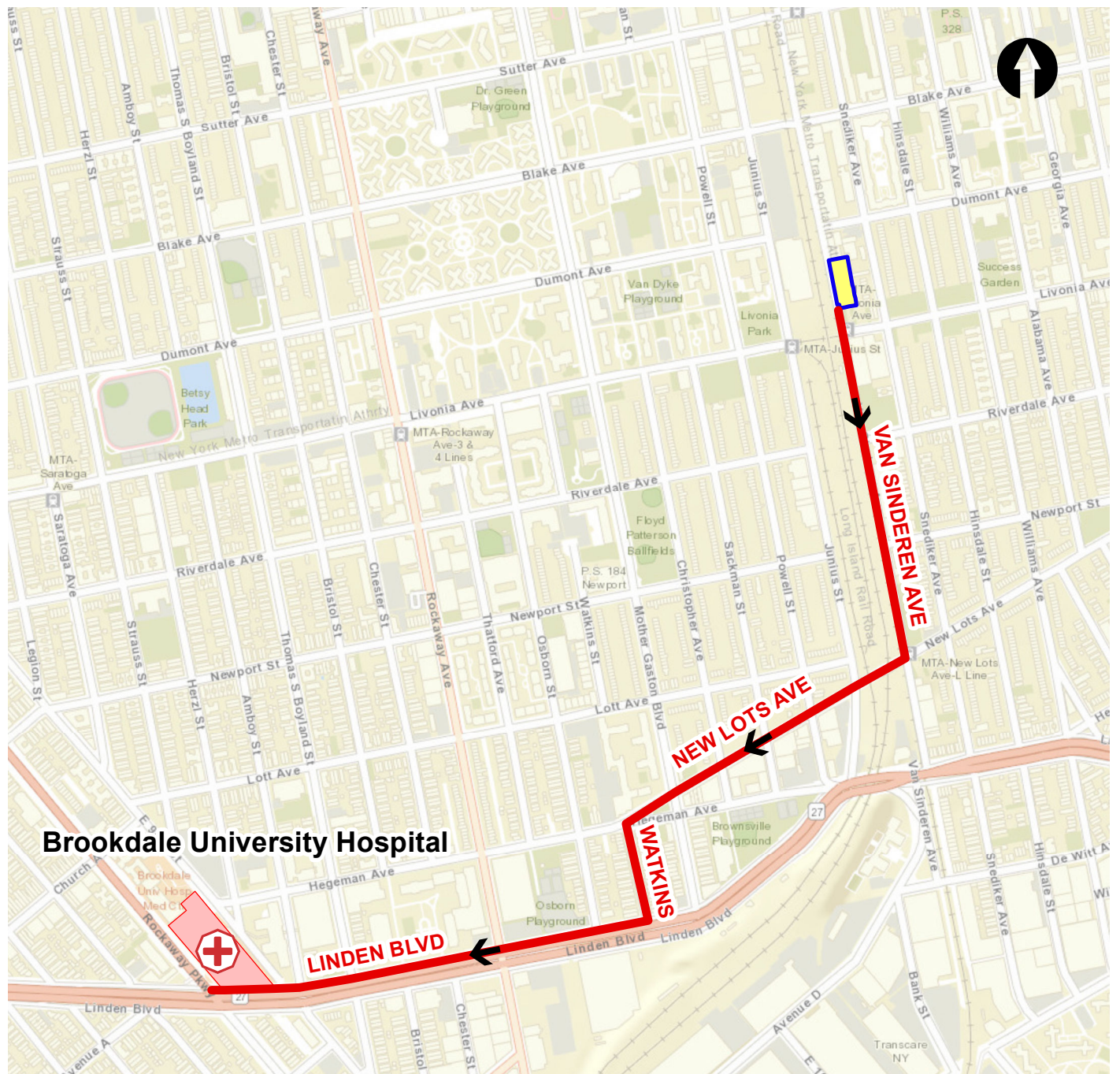
440 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10016

Jean's Place
485 Van Sinderen Avenue
Brooklyn, New York

SITE LOCATION

DATE 7/23/2020
PROJECT NO. 170447
FIGURE 1

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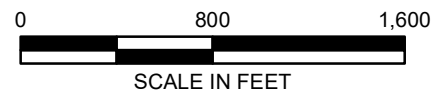


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LEGEND

-  PROJECT SITE BOUNDARY
-  ROUTE TO HOSPITAL
-  HOSPITAL LOCATION

Brookdale University Hospital
Medical Center
1 Brookdale Plaza
Brooklyn, NY 11212
(718) 240-5000



440 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10016

Jean's Place
485 Van Sinderen Avenue
Brooklyn, New York

HOSPITAL ROUTE MAP

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ATTACHMENT A
POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS FROM ON-SITE CONTAMINANTS

DDT, DDE, and DDD - ToxFAQs™

CAS # 50-29-3, 72-55-9, 72-54-8

This fact sheet answers the most frequently asked health questions (FAQs) about DDT, DDE, and DDD. For more information, call the CDC Information Center at 1-800-232-4636. This fact sheet is one in a series of summaries about hazardous substances and their health effects. It is important you understand this information because this substance may harm you. The effects of exposure to any hazardous substance depend on the dose, the duration, how you are exposed, personal traits and habits, and whether other chemicals are present.

HIGHLIGHTS: Exposure to DDT, DDE, and DDD occurs mostly from eating foods containing small amounts of these compounds, particularly meat, fish and poultry. High levels of DDT can affect the nervous system causing excitability, tremors and seizures. In women, DDE can cause a reduction in the duration of lactation and an increased chance of having a premature baby. DDT, DDE, and DDD have been found in at least 442 of the 1,613 National Priorities List (NPL) sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What are DDT, DDE, and DDD?

DDT (dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane) is a pesticide once widely used to control insects in agriculture and insects that carry diseases such as malaria. DDT is a white, crystalline solid with no odor or taste. Its use in the U.S. was banned in 1972 because of damage to wildlife, but is still used in some countries.

DDE (dichlorodiphenyldichloroethylene) and DDD (dichlorodiphenyldichloroethane) are chemicals similar to DDT that contaminate commercial DDT preparations. DDE has no commercial use. DDD was also used to kill pests, but its use has also been banned. One form of DDD has been used medically to treat cancer of the adrenal gland.

What happens to DDT, DDE, and DDD when they enter the environment?

- DDT entered the environment when it was used as a pesticide; it still enters the environment due to current use in other countries.
- DDE enters the environment as contaminant or breakdown product of DDT; DDD also enters the environment as a breakdown product of DDT.
- DDT, DDE, and DDD in air are rapidly broken down by sunlight. Half of what's in air breaks down within 2 days.
- They stick strongly to soil; most DDT in soil is broken down slowly to DDE and DDD by microorganisms; half the DDT in soil will break down in 2–15 years, depending on the type of soil.
- Only a small amount will go through the soil into groundwater; they do not dissolve easily in water.
- DDT, and especially DDE, build up in plants and in fatty tissues of fish, birds, and other animals.

How might I be exposed to DDT, DDE, and DDD?

- Eating contaminated foods, such as root and leafy vegetables, fatty meat, fish, and poultry, but levels are very low.
- Eating contaminated imported foods from countries that still allow the use of DDT to control pests.
- Breathing contaminated air or drinking contaminated water near waste sites and landfills that may contain higher levels of these chemicals.
- Infants fed on breast milk from mothers who have been exposed.
- Breathing or swallowing soil particles near waste sites or landfills that contain these chemicals.

How can DDT, DDE, and DDD affect my health?

DDT affects the nervous system. People who accidentally swallowed large amounts of DDT became excitable and had tremors and seizures. These effects went away after the exposure stopped. No effects were seen in people who took small daily doses of DDT by capsule for 18 months. A study in humans showed that women who had high amounts of a form of DDE in their breast milk were unable to breast feed their babies for as long as women who had little DDE in the breast milk. Another study in humans showed that women who had high amounts of DDE in the blood had an increased chance of having premature babies. In animals, short-term exposure to large amounts of DDT in food affected the nervous system, while long-term exposure to smaller amounts affected the liver. Also in animals, short-term oral exposure to small amounts of DDT or its breakdown products may also have harmful effects on reproduction.

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How likely are DDT, DDE, and DDD to cause cancer?

Studies in DDT-exposed workers did not show increases in cancer. Studies in animals given DDT with the food have shown that DDT can cause liver cancer.

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) determined that DDT may reasonably be anticipated to be a human carcinogen.

The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) determined that DDT may possibly cause cancer in humans. The EPA determined that DDT, DDE, and DDD are probable human carcinogens.

How can DDT, DDE, and DDD affect children?

There are no studies on the health effects of children exposed to DDT, DDE, or DDD. We can assume that children exposed to large amounts of DDT will have health effects similar to the effects seen in adults. However, we do not know whether children differ from adults in their susceptibility to these substances.

There is no evidence that DDT, DDE, or DDD cause birth defects in people. A study showed that teenage boys whose mothers had higher DDE amounts in the blood when they were pregnant were taller than those whose mothers had lower DDE levels. However, a different study found the opposite in preteen girls. The reason for the discrepancy between these studies is unknown.

Studies in rats have shown that DDT and DDE can mimic the action of natural hormones and in this way affect the development of the reproductive and nervous systems. Puberty was delayed in male rats given high amounts of DDE as juveniles. This could possibly happen in humans.

A study in mice showed that exposure to DDT during the first weeks of life may cause neurobehavioral problems later in life.

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to DDT, DDE, and DDD?

- Most families will be exposed to DDT by eating food or drinking liquids contaminated with small amounts of DDT.
- Cooking will reduce the amount of DDT in fish.
- Washing fruit and vegetables will remove most DDT from their surface.
- Follow health advisories that tell you about consumption of fish and wildlife caught in contaminated areas.

Is there a medical test to show whether I've been exposed to DDT, DDE, and DDD?

Laboratory tests can detect DDT, DDE, and DDD in fat, blood, urine, semen, and breast milk. These tests may show low, moderate, or excessive exposure to these compounds, but cannot tell the exact amount you were exposed to, or whether you will experience adverse effects. These tests are not routinely available at the doctor's office because they require special equipment.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) sets a limit of 1 milligram of DDT per cubic meter of air (1 mg/m³) in the workplace for an 8-hour shift, 40-hour workweek.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has set limits for DDT, DDE, and DDD in foodstuff at or above which the agency will take legal action to remove the products from the market.

References

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR). 2002. Toxicological Profile for DDT/DDE/DDD (Update). Atlanta, GA: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service.

Where can I get more information?

For more information, contact the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Division of Toxicology and Human Health Sciences, 1600 Clifton Road NE, Mailstop F-57, Atlanta, GA 30329-4027.

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ATSDR can tell you where to find occupational and environmental health clinics. Their specialists can recognize, evaluate, and treat illnesses resulting from exposure to hazardous substances. You can also contact your community or state health or environmental quality department if you have any more questions or concerns.

This fact sheet answers the most frequently asked health questions (FAQs) about arsenic. For more information, call the CDC Information Center at 1-800-232-4636. This fact sheet is one in a series of summaries about hazardous substances and their health effects. It is important you understand this information because this substance may harm you. The effects of exposure to any hazardous substance depend on the dose, the duration, how you are exposed, personal traits and habits, and whether other chemicals are present.

HIGHLIGHTS: Exposure to higher than average levels of arsenic occur mostly in the workplace, near hazardous waste sites, or in areas with high natural levels. At high levels, inorganic arsenic can cause death. Exposure to lower levels for a long time can cause a discoloration of the skin and the appearance of small corns or warts. Arsenic has been found in at least 1,149 of the 1,684 National Priority List (NPL) sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is arsenic?

Arsenic is a naturally occurring element widely distributed in the earth's crust. In the environment, arsenic is combined with oxygen, chlorine, and sulfur to form inorganic arsenic compounds. Arsenic in animals and plants combines with carbon and hydrogen to form organic arsenic compounds.

Inorganic arsenic compounds are mainly used to preserve wood. Copper chromated arsenate (CCA) is used to make "pressure-treated" lumber. CCA is no longer used in the U.S. for residential uses; it is still used in industrial applications. Organic arsenic compounds are used as pesticides, primarily on cotton fields and orchards.

What happens to arsenic when it enters the environment?

- Arsenic occurs naturally in soil and minerals and may enter the air, water, and land from wind-blown dust and may get into water from runoff and leaching.
- Arsenic cannot be destroyed in the environment. It can only change its form.
- Rain and snow remove arsenic dust particles from the air.
- Many common arsenic compounds can dissolve in water. Most of the arsenic in water will ultimately end up in soil or sediment.
- Fish and shellfish can accumulate arsenic; most of this arsenic is in an organic form called arsenobetaine that is much less harmful.

How might I be exposed to arsenic?

- Ingesting small amounts present in your food and water or breathing air containing arsenic.
- Breathing sawdust or burning smoke from wood treated with arsenic.
- Living in areas with unusually high natural levels of arsenic in rock.
- Working in a job that involves arsenic production or use, such as copper or lead smelting, wood treating, or pesticide application.

How can arsenic affect my health?

Breathing high levels of inorganic arsenic can give you a sore throat or irritated lungs.

Ingesting very high levels of arsenic can result in death. Exposure to lower levels can cause nausea and vomiting, decreased production of red and white blood cells, abnormal heart rhythm, damage to blood vessels, and a sensation of "pins and needles" in hands and feet.

Ingesting or breathing low levels of inorganic arsenic for a long time can cause a darkening of the skin and the appearance of small "corns" or "warts" on the palms, soles, and torso.

Skin contact with inorganic arsenic may cause redness and swelling.

Almost nothing is known regarding health effects of organic arsenic compounds in humans. Studies in animals show that some simple organic arsenic

Arsenic

CAS # 7440-38-2

compounds are less toxic than inorganic forms. Ingestion of methyl and dimethyl compounds can cause diarrhea and damage to the kidneys.

How likely is arsenic to cause cancer?

Several studies have shown that ingestion of inorganic arsenic can increase the risk of skin cancer and cancer in the liver, bladder, and lungs. Inhalation of inorganic arsenic can cause increased risk of lung cancer. The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and the EPA have determined that inorganic arsenic is a known human carcinogen. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has determined that inorganic arsenic is carcinogenic to humans.

How can arsenic affect children?

There is some evidence that long-term exposure to arsenic in children may result in lower IQ scores. There is also some evidence that exposure to arsenic in the womb and early childhood may increase mortality in young adults.

There is some evidence that inhaled or ingested arsenic can injure pregnant women or their unborn babies, although the studies are not definitive. Studies in animals show that large doses of arsenic that cause illness in pregnant females, can also cause low birth weight, fetal malformations, and even fetal death. Arsenic can cross the placenta and has been found in fetal tissues. Arsenic is found at low levels in breast milk.

How can families reduce the risks of exposure to arsenic?

- If you use arsenic-treated wood in home projects, you should wear dust masks, gloves, and protective clothing to decrease exposure to sawdust.
- If you live in an area with high levels of arsenic in water or soil, you should use cleaner sources of water and limit contact with soil.

- If you work in a job that may expose you to arsenic, be aware that you may carry arsenic home on your clothing, skin, hair, or tools. Be sure to shower and change clothes before going home.

Is there a medical test to determine whether I've been exposed to arsenic?

There are tests available to measure arsenic in your blood, urine, hair, and fingernails. The urine test is the most reliable test for arsenic exposure within the last few days. Tests on hair and fingernails can measure exposure to high levels of arsenic over the past 6-12 months. These tests can determine if you have been exposed to above-average levels of arsenic. They cannot predict whether the arsenic levels in your body will affect your health.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA has set limits on the amount of arsenic that industrial sources can release to the environment and has restricted or cancelled many of the uses of arsenic in pesticides. EPA has set a limit of 0.01 parts per million (ppm) for arsenic in drinking water.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set a permissible exposure limit (PEL) of 10 micrograms of arsenic per cubic meter of workplace air ($10 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) for 8 hour shifts and 40 hour work weeks.

References

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HIGHLIGHTS: Exposure to barium occurs mostly in the workplace or from drinking contaminated water. Ingesting drinking water containing levels of barium above the EPA drinking water guidelines for relatively short periods of time can cause gastrointestinal disturbances and muscle weakness. Ingesting high levels for a long time can damage the kidneys. Barium and barium compounds have been found in at least 798 of the 1,684 National Priority List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is barium?

Barium is a silvery-white metal which exists in nature only in ores containing mixtures of elements. It combines with other chemicals such as sulfur or carbon and oxygen to form barium compounds.

Barium compounds are used by the oil and gas industries to make drilling muds. Drilling muds make it easier to drill through rock by keeping the drill bit lubricated. They are also used to make paint, bricks, ceramics, glass, and rubber.

Barium sulfate is sometimes used by doctors to perform medical tests and to take x-rays of the gastrointestinal tract.

What happens to barium when it enters the environment?

- ☐ Barium gets into the air during the mining, refining, and production of barium compounds, and from the burning of coal and oil.
- ☐ The length of time that barium will last in air, land, water, or sediments depends on the form of barium released.
- ☐ Barium compounds, such as barium sulfate and barium carbonate, which do not dissolve well in water, can last a long time in the environment.
- ☐ Barium compounds, such as barium chloride, barium nitrate, or barium hydroxide, that dissolve easily in water usually do not last in these forms for a long time in the environment. The barium in these compounds that is dissolved in water quickly combines with sulfate or carbonate that are naturally found in water and become

the longer lasting forms (barium sulfate and barium carbonate).

- ☐ Fish and aquatic organisms can accumulate barium.

How might I be exposed to barium?

- ☐ Ingesting small amounts present in your food and water or breathing air containing very low levels of barium.
- ☐ Living in areas with unusually high natural levels of barium in the drinking water.
- ☐ Working in a job that involves barium production or use.
- ☐ Living or working near waste sites where barium has been disposed of.

How can barium affect my health?

The health effects of the different barium compounds depend on how well the compound dissolves in water or in the stomach contents. Barium compounds that do not dissolve well, such as barium sulfate, are not generally harmful.

Barium has been found to potentially cause gastrointestinal disturbances and muscular weakness when people are exposed to it at levels above the EPA drinking water standards for relatively short periods of time. Some people who eat or drink amounts of barium above background levels found in food and water for a short period may experience vomiting, abdominal cramps, diarrhea, difficulties in breathing, increased or decreased blood pressure, numbness around the face, and muscle weakness. Eating or drinking very large amounts of barium compounds that easily dissolve can cause changes in heart

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rhythm or paralysis and possibly death. Animals that drank barium over long periods had damage to the kidneys, decreases in body weight, and some died.

How likely is barium to cause cancer?

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) have not classified barium as to its carcinogenicity. The EPA has determined that barium is not likely to be carcinogenic to humans following ingestion and that there is insufficient information to determine whether it will be carcinogenic to humans following inhalation exposure.

How can barium affect children?

We do not know whether children will be more or less sensitive than adults to barium toxicity. A study in rats that swallowed barium found a decrease in newborn body weight; we do not know if a similar effect would be seen in humans.

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to barium?

- The greatest potential source of barium exposure is through food and drinking water. However, the amount of barium in foods and drinking water are typically too low to be of concern.

Is there a medical test to determine whether I've been exposed to barium?

There is no routine medical test to determine whether you have been exposed to barium. Doctors can measure barium in body tissues and fluids, such as bones, blood, urine, and feces, using very complex instruments. These tests cannot be used to predict the extent of the exposure or potential health effects.

The geometric mean barium level measured in the U.S. general population aged 6 and older is reported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as 1.56 µg/g creatinine (measured in urine).

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA has set a limit of 2.0 milligrams of barium per liter of drinking water (2.0 mg/L), which is the same as 2 ppm.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set Permissible Exposure Limits (PELs) of 0.5 milligrams of soluble barium compounds per cubic meter of workplace air (0.5 mg/m³) for 8 hour shifts and 40 hour work weeks. The OSHA limits for barium sulfate dust are 15 mg/m³ of total dust and 5 mg/m³ for respirable fraction.

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) has set Recommended Exposure Limits (RELs) of 0.5 mg/m³ for soluble barium compounds. The NIOSH has set RELs of 10 mg/m³ (total dust) for barium sulfate and 5 mg/m³ (respirable fraction).

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HIGHLIGHTS: Benzene is a widely used chemical formed from both natural processes and human activities. Breathing benzene can cause drowsiness, dizziness, and unconsciousness; long-term benzene exposure causes effects on the bone marrow and can cause anemia and leukemia. Benzene has been found in at least 1,000 of the 1,684 National Priority List (NPL) sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is benzene?

Benzene is a colorless liquid with a sweet odor. It evaporates into the air very quickly and dissolves slightly in water. It is highly flammable and is formed from both natural processes and human activities.

Benzene is widely used in the United States; it ranks in the top 20 chemicals for production volume. Some industries use benzene to make other chemicals which are used to make plastics, resins, and nylon and other synthetic fibers. Benzene is also used to make some types of rubbers, lubricants, dyes, detergents, drugs, and pesticides. Natural sources of benzene include emissions from volcanoes and forest fires. Benzene is also a natural part of crude oil, gasoline, and cigarette smoke.

What happens to benzene when it enters the environment?

- Industrial processes are the main source of benzene in the environment.
- Benzene can pass into the air from water and soil.
- It reacts with other chemicals in the air and breaks down within a few days.
- Benzene in the air can attach to rain or snow and be carried back down to the ground.
- It breaks down more slowly in water and soil, and can pass through the soil into underground water.
- Benzene does not build up in plants or animals.

How might I be exposed to benzene?

- Outdoor air contains low levels of benzene from tobacco smoke, automobile service stations, exhaust from motor vehicles, and industrial emissions.
- Vapors (or gases) from products that contain benzene, such as glues, paints, furniture wax, and detergents, can also be a source of exposure.
- Air around hazardous waste sites or gas stations will contain higher levels of benzene.
- Working in industries that make or use benzene.

How can benzene affect my health?

Breathing very high levels of benzene can result in death, while high levels can cause drowsiness, dizziness, rapid heart rate, headaches, tremors, confusion, and unconsciousness. Eating or drinking foods containing high levels of benzene can cause vomiting, irritation of the stomach, dizziness, sleepiness, convulsions, rapid heart rate, and death.

The major effect of benzene from long-term exposure is on the blood. Benzene causes harmful effects on the bone marrow and can cause a decrease in red blood cells leading to anemia. It can also cause excessive bleeding and can affect the immune system, increasing the chance for infection. Some women who breathed high levels of benzene for many months had irregular menstrual periods and a decrease in the size of their ovaries, but we do not know for certain that benzene caused the effects. It is not known whether benzene will affect fertility in men.

Benzene

CAS # 71-43-2

How likely is benzene to cause cancer?

Long-term exposure to high levels of benzene in the air can cause leukemia, particularly acute myelogenous leukemia, often referred to as AML. This is a cancer of the bloodforming organs. The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has determined that benzene is a known carcinogen. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) and the EPA have determined that benzene is carcinogenic to humans.

How can benzene affect children?

Children can be affected by benzene exposure in the same ways as adults. It is not known if children are more susceptible to benzene poisoning than adults.

Benzene can pass from the mother's blood to a fetus. Animal studies have shown low birth weights, delayed bone formation, and bone marrow damage when pregnant animals breathed benzene.

How can families reduce the risks of exposure to benzene?

Benzene exposure can be reduced by limiting contact with gasoline and cigarette smoke. Families are encouraged not to smoke in their house, in enclosed environments, or near their children.

Is there a medical test to determine whether I've been exposed to benzene?

Several tests can show if you have been exposed to benzene. There is a test for measuring benzene in the breath; this test must be done shortly after exposure. Benzene can also be measured in the blood; however, since benzene disappears rapidly from the blood, this test is only useful for recent exposures.

In the body, benzene is converted to products called metabolites. Certain metabolites can be measured in the urine. The metabolite S-phenylmercapturic acid in urine is a sensitive indicator of benzene exposure. However, this test must be done shortly after exposure and is not a reliable indicator of how much benzene you have been exposed to, since the metabolites may be present in urine from other sources.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA has set the maximum permissible level of benzene in drinking water at 5 parts benzene per billion parts of water (5 ppb).

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set limits of 1 part benzene per million parts of workplace air (1 ppm) for 8 hour shifts and 40 hour work weeks.

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Where can I get more information?

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HIGHLIGHTS: Exposure to cadmium happens mostly in the workplace where cadmium products are made. The general population is exposed from breathing cigarette smoke or eating cadmium contaminated foods. Cadmium damages the kidneys, lungs, and bones. Cadmium has been found in at least 1,014 of the 1,669 National Priorities List (NPL) sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is cadmium?

Cadmium is a natural element in the earth's crust. It is usually found as a mineral combined with other elements such as oxygen (cadmium oxide), chlorine (cadmium chloride), or sulfur (cadmium sulfate, cadmium sulfide).

All soils and rocks, including coal and mineral fertilizers, contain some cadmium. Most cadmium used in the United States is extracted during the production of other metals like zinc, lead, and copper. Cadmium does not corrode easily and has many uses, including batteries, pigments, metal coatings, and plastics.

What happens to cadmium when it enters the environment?

- Cadmium enters soil, water, and air from mining, industry, and burning coal and household wastes.
- Cadmium does not break down in the environment, but can change forms.
- Cadmium particles in air can travel long distances before falling to the ground or water.
- Some forms of cadmium dissolve in water.
- Cadmium binds strongly to soil particles.
- Fish, plants, and animals take up cadmium from the environment.

How might I be exposed to cadmium?

- Eating foods containing cadmium; low levels are found in all foods (highest levels are found in leafy vegetables, grains, legumes, and kidney meat).
- Smoking cigarettes or breathing cigarette smoke.
- Breathing contaminated workplace air.
- Drinking contaminated water.
- Living near industrial facilities which release cadmium into the air.

How can cadmium affect my health?

Breathing high levels of cadmium can severely damage the lungs. Eating food or drinking water with very high levels severely irritates the stomach, leading to vomiting and diarrhea.

Long-term exposure to lower levels of cadmium in air, food, or water leads to a buildup of cadmium in the kidneys and possible kidney disease. Other long-term effects are lung damage and fragile bones.

How likely is cadmium to cause cancer?

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) have determined that cadmium and cadmium compounds are human carcinogens. The EPA determined that cadmium is a probable human carcinogen (group B1).

Cadmium

CAS # 7440-43-9

How can cadmium affect children?

The health effects in children are expected to be similar to the effects seen in adults (kidney and lung damage depending on the route of exposure).

A few studies in animals indicate that younger animals absorb more cadmium than adults. Animal studies also indicate that the young are more susceptible than adults to a loss of bone and decreased bone strength from exposure to cadmium.

We don't know if cadmium causes birth defects in people. Studies in animals exposed to high levels of cadmium during pregnancy have resulted in harmful effects to the young. Young animals exposed to cadmium before birth have shown effects on behavior and learning. There is also some information from animal studies that high enough exposures to cadmium before birth can reduce body weights and affect the skeleton in the developing young.

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to cadmium?

- Do not allow children to play with batteries. Dispose of nickel-cadmium batteries properly.
- Cadmium is a component of tobacco smoke. Avoid smoking and smoking in enclosed spaces like inside the home or car in order to limit exposure to children and other family members.
- If you work with cadmium, use all safety precautions to avoid carrying cadmium-containing dust home from work on your clothing, skin, hair, or tools.
- A balanced diet can reduce the amount of cadmium taken into the body from food and drink.

Is there a medical test to determine whether I've been exposed to cadmium?

Cadmium can be measured in blood, urine, hair, or nails. Urinary cadmium has been shown to accurately reflect the amount of cadmium in the body.

The amount of cadmium in your blood shows your recent exposure to cadmium. The amount of cadmium in your urine shows both your recent and your past exposure.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA has determined that exposure to cadmium in drinking water at concentrations of 0.04 milligrams per liter (0.04 mg/L) for up to 10 days is not expected to cause any adverse effects in a child.

The EPA has determined that lifetime exposure to 0.005 mg/L cadmium is not expected to cause any adverse effects.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has determined that the cadmium concentration in bottled drinking water should not exceed 0.005 mg/L.

The Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) has limited workers' exposure to an average of 5 µg/m³ for an 8-hour workday, 40-hour workweek.

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HIGHLIGHTS: Exposure to chloroform can occur when breathing contaminated air or when drinking or touching the substance or water containing it. Breathing chloroform can cause dizziness, fatigue, and headaches. Breathing chloroform or ingesting chloroform over long periods of time may damage your liver and kidneys. It can cause sores if large amounts touch your skin. This substance has been found in at least 717 of the 1,430 National Priorities List (NPL) sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is chloroform?

(Pronounced klôr'ə-fôrm')

Chloroform is a colorless liquid with a pleasant, nonirritating odor and a slightly sweet taste. It will burn only when it reaches very high temperatures.

In the past, chloroform was used as an inhaled anesthetic during surgery, but it isn't used that way today. Today, chloroform is used to make other chemicals and can also be formed in small amounts when chlorine is added to water.

Other names for chloroform are trichloromethane and methyl trichloride.

What happens to chloroform when it enters the environment?

- Chloroform evaporates easily into the air.
- Most of the chloroform in air breaks down eventually, but it is a slow process.
- The breakdown products in air include phosgene and hydrogen chloride, which are both toxic.
- It doesn't stick to soil very well and can travel through soil to groundwater.
- Chloroform dissolves easily in water and some of it may break down to other chemicals.
- Chloroform lasts a long time in groundwater.
- Chloroform doesn't appear to build up in great amounts in plants and animals.

How might I be exposed to chloroform?

- Drinking water or beverages made using water containing chloroform.
- Breathing indoor or outdoor air containing it, especially in the workplace.
- Eating food that contains it.
- Skin contact with chloroform or water that contains it, such as in swimming pools.

How can chloroform affect my health?

Breathing about 900 parts of chloroform per million parts air (900 ppm) for a short time can cause dizziness, fatigue, and headache. Breathing air, eating food, or drinking water containing high levels of chloroform for long periods of time may damage your liver and kidneys. Large amounts of chloroform can cause sores when chloroform touches your skin.

It isn't known whether chloroform causes reproductive effects or birth defects in people.

Animal studies have shown that miscarriages occurred in rats and mice that breathed air containing 30 to 300 ppm chloroform during pregnancy and also in rats that ate chloroform during pregnancy. Offspring of rats and mice that breathed chloroform during pregnancy had birth defects. Abnormal sperm were found in mice that breathed air containing 400 ppm chloroform for a few days.

Chloroform

CAS # 67-66-3

How likely is chloroform to cause cancer?

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has determined that chloroform may reasonably be anticipated to be a carcinogen.

Rats and mice that ate food or drank water with chloroform developed cancer of the liver and kidneys.

Is there a medical test to show whether I've been exposed to chloroform?

Although the amounts of chloroform in the air that you exhale and in blood, urine, and body tissues can be measured, there is no reliable test to determine how much chloroform you have been exposed to or whether you will experience any harmful effects.

The measurement of chloroform in body fluids and tissues may help to determine if you have come into contact with large amounts of chloroform, but these tests are useful for only a short time after you are exposed. Chloroform in your body might also indicate that you have come into contact with other chemicals.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The current EPA drinking water limit for total trihalomethanes, a class of chemicals that includes chloroform, is 80 micrograms per liter of water (80µg/L).

The EPA requires that spills or accidental releases of 10 pounds or more of chloroform into the environment be reported to the EPA.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set the maximum allowable concentration of chloroform in workroom air during an 8-hour workday in a 40-hour workweek at 50 ppm.

Glossary

Carcinogenicity: A substance with the ability to cause cancer.

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service.

Ingesting: Taking food or drink into your body.

Microgram (µg): One millionth of a gram.

Miscarriage: Pregnancy loss.

ppm: Parts per million.

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HIGHLIGHTS: Exposure to chromium occurs from ingesting contaminated food or drinking water or breathing contaminated workplace air. Chromium(VI) at high levels can damage the nose and cause cancer. Ingesting high levels of chromium(VI) may result in anemia or damage to the stomach or intestines. Chromium(III) is an essential nutrient. Chromium has been found in at least 1,127 of the 1,669 National Priorities List (NPL) sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is chromium?

Chromium is a naturally occurring element found in rocks, animals, plants, and soil. It can exist in several different forms. Depending on the form it takes, it can be a liquid, solid, or gas. The most common forms are chromium(0), chromium(III), and chromium(VI). No taste or odor is associated with chromium compounds.

The metal chromium, which is the chromium(0) form, is used for making steel. Chromium(VI) and chromium(III) are used for chrome plating, dyes and pigments, leather tanning, and wood preserving.

What happens to chromium when it enters the environment?

- Chromium can be found in air, soil, and water after release from the manufacture, use, and disposal of chromium-based products, and during the manufacturing process.
- Chromium does not usually remain in the atmosphere, but is deposited into the soil and water.
- Chromium can easily change from one form to another in water and soil, depending on the conditions present.
- Fish do not accumulate much chromium in their bodies from water.

How might I be exposed to chromium?

- Eating food containing chromium(III).
- Breathing contaminated workplace air or skin contact during use in the workplace.

- Drinking contaminated well water.
- Living near uncontrolled hazardous waste sites containing chromium or industries that use chromium.

How can chromium affect my health?

Chromium(III) is an essential nutrient that helps the body use sugar, protein, and fat.

Breathing high levels of chromium(VI) can cause irritation to the lining of the nose, nose ulcers, runny nose, and breathing problems, such as asthma, cough, shortness of breath, or wheezing. The concentrations of chromium in air that can cause these effects may be different for different types of chromium compounds, with effects occurring at much lower concentrations for chromium(VI) compared to chromium(III).

The main health problems seen in animals following ingestion of chromium(VI) compounds are irritation and ulcers in the stomach and small intestine and anemia. Chromium(III) compounds are much less toxic and do not appear to cause these problems.

Sperm damage and damage to the male reproductive system have also been seen in laboratory animals exposed to chromium(VI).

Skin contact with certain chromium(VI) compounds can cause skin ulcers. Some people are extremely sensitive to chromium(VI) or chromium(III). Allergic reactions consisting of severe redness and swelling of the skin have been noted.

Chromium

CAS # 7440-47-3

How likely is chromium to cause cancer?

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), and the EPA have determined that chromium(VI) compounds are known human carcinogens.

In workers, inhalation of chromium(VI) has been shown to cause lung cancer. Chromium(VI) also causes lung cancer in animals. An increase in stomach tumors was observed in humans and animals exposed to chromium(VI) in drinking water.

How can chromium affect children?

It is likely that health effects seen in children exposed to high amounts of chromium will be similar to the effects seen in adults.

We do not know if exposure to chromium will result in birth defects or other developmental effects in people. Some developmental effects have been observed in animals exposed to chromium(VI).

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to chromium?

- Children should avoid playing in soils near uncontrolled hazardous waste sites where chromium may have been discarded.
- Chromium is a component of tobacco smoke. Avoid smoking in enclosed spaces like inside the home or car in order to limit exposure to children and other family members.
- Although chromium(III) is an essential nutrient, you should avoid excessive use of dietary supplements containing chromium.

Is there a medical test to determine whether I've been exposed to chromium?

Since chromium(III) is an essential element and naturally occurs in food, there will always be some level of chromium in your body. Chromium can be measured in hair, urine, and blood.

Higher than normal levels of chromium in blood or urine may indicate that a person has been exposed to chromium. However, increases in blood and urine chromium levels cannot be used to predict the kind of health effects that might develop from that exposure.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA has established a maximum contaminant level of 0.1 mg/L for total chromium in drinking water.

The FDA has determined that the chromium concentration in bottled drinking water should not exceed 0.1 mg/L.

The Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) has limited workers' exposure to an average of 0.005 mg/m³ chromium(VI), 0.5 mg/m³ chromium(III), and 1.0 mg/m³ chromium(0) for an 8-hour workday, 40-hour workweek.

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HIGHLIGHTS: Copper is a metal that occurs naturally in the environment, and also in plants and animals. Low levels of copper are essential for maintaining good health. High levels can cause harmful effects such as irritation of the nose, mouth and eyes, vomiting, diarrhea, stomach cramps, nausea, and even death. Copper has been found in at least 906 of the 1,647 National Priority Sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is copper?

Copper is a metal that occurs naturally throughout the environment, in rocks, soil, water, and air. Copper is an essential element in plants and animals (including humans), which means it is necessary for us to live. Therefore, plants and animals must absorb some copper from eating, drinking, and breathing.

Copper is used to make many different kinds of products like wire, plumbing pipes, and sheet metal. U.S. pennies made before 1982 are made of copper, while those made after 1982 are only coated with copper. Copper is also combined with other metals to make brass and bronze pipes and faucets.

Copper compounds are commonly used in agriculture to treat plant diseases like mildew, for water treatment and, as preservatives for wood, leather, and fabrics.

What happens to copper when it enters the environment?

- ☐ Copper is released into the environment by mining, farming, and manufacturing operations and through waste water releases into rivers and lakes. Copper is also released from natural sources, like volcanoes, windblown dusts, decaying vegetation, and forest fires.
- ☐ Copper released into the environment usually attaches to particles made of organic matter, clay, soil, or sand.
- ☐ Copper does not break down in the environment. Copper

compounds can break down and release free copper into the air, water, and foods.

How might I be exposed to copper?

- ☐ You may be exposed to copper from breathing air, drinking water, eating foods, or having skin contact with copper, particulates attached to copper, or copper-containing compounds.
- ☐ Drinking water may have high levels of copper if your house has copper pipes and acidic water.
- ☐ Lakes and rivers that have been treated with copper compounds to control algae, or that receive cooling water from power plants, can have high levels of copper. Soils can also contain high levels of copper, especially if they are near copper smelting plants.
- ☐ You may be exposed to copper by ingesting copper-containing fungicides, or if you live near a copper mine or where copper is processed into bronze or brass.
- ☐ You may be exposed to copper if you work in copper mines or if you grind metals containing copper.

How can copper affect my health?

Everyone must absorb small amounts of copper every day because copper is essential for good health. High levels of copper can be harmful. Breathing high levels of copper can cause irritation of your nose and throat. Ingesting high levels of copper can cause nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea. Very-high doses of copper can cause damage to your liver and kidneys, and can even cause death.

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How likely is copper to cause cancer?

We do not know whether copper can cause cancer in humans. The EPA has determined that copper is not classifiable as to human carcinogenicity.

How can copper affect children?

Exposure to high levels of copper will result in the same type of effects in children and adults. We do not know if these effects would occur at the same dose level in children and adults. Studies in animals suggest that the young children may have more severe effects than adults, but we don't know if this would also be true in humans. There is a very small percentage of infants and children who are unusually sensitive to copper.

We do not know if copper can cause birth defects or other developmental effects in humans. Studies in animals suggest that high levels of copper may cause a decrease in fetal growth.

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to copper?

The most likely place to be exposed to copper is through drinking water, especially if your water is corrosive and you have copper pipes in your house. The best way to lower the level of copper in your drinking water is to let the water run for at least 15 seconds first thing in the morning before drinking or using it. This reduces the levels of copper in tap water dramatically.

If you work with copper, wear the necessary protective clothing and equipment, and always follow safety procedures. Shower and change your clothes before going home each day.

Is there a medical test to show whether I've been exposed to copper?

Copper is found throughout the body; in hair, nails, blood, urine, and other tissues. High levels of copper in these samples can show that you have been exposed to higher-than normal levels of copper. These tests cannot tell whether you will experience harmful effects. Tests to measure copper levels in the body are not usually available at a doctor's office because they require special equipment, but the doctor can send samples to a specialty laboratory.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA requires that levels of copper in drinking water be less than 1.3 mg of copper per one liter of drinking water (1.3 mg/L).

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has set the recommended daily allowance for copper at 900 micrograms of copper per day ($\mu\text{g/day}$) for people older than eight years old.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requires that levels of copper in the air in workplaces not exceed 0.1 mg of copper fumes per cubic meter of air (0.1 mg/m^3) and 1.0 mg/m^3 for copper dusts.

Reference

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR). 2004. Toxicological Profile for Copper. Atlanta, GA: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service.

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HIGHLIGHTS: Ethylbenzene is a colorless liquid found in a number of products including gasoline and paints. Breathing very high levels can cause dizziness and throat and eye irritation. Breathing lower levels has resulted in hearing effects and kidney damage in animals. Ethylbenzene has been found in at least 829 of 1,699 National Priorities List (NPL) sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is ethylbenzene?

Ethylbenzene is a colorless, flammable liquid that smells like gasoline.

It is naturally found in coal tar and petroleum and is also found in manufactured products such as inks, pesticides, and paints.

Ethylbenzene is used primarily to make another chemical, styrene. Other uses include as a solvent, in fuels, and to make other chemicals.

What happens to ethylbenzene when it enters the environment?

- Ethylbenzene moves easily into the air from water and soil.
- It takes about 3 days for ethylbenzene to be broken down in air into other chemicals.
- In surface water, ethylbenzene breaks down by reacting with other chemicals found naturally in water.
- Ethylbenzene can move through soil into groundwater.
- In soil, it is broken down by bacteria.

How might I be exposed to ethylbenzene?

- If you live in a city or near many factories or heavily traveled highways, you may be exposed to ethylbenzene in air.

- Releases of ethylbenzene into the air occur from burning oil, gas, and coal and from industries using ethylbenzene.
- Ethylbenzene is not often found in drinking water. Higher levels may be found in residential drinking water wells near landfills, waste sites, or leaking underground fuel storage tanks.
- Exposure can occur if you work in an industry where ethylbenzene is used or made.
- Exposure can occur if you use products containing it, such as gasoline, carpet glues, varnishes, and paints.

How can ethylbenzene affect my health?

Exposure to high levels of ethylbenzene in air for short periods can cause eye and throat irritation. Exposure to higher levels can result in dizziness.

Irreversible damage to the inner ear and hearing has been observed in animals exposed to relatively low concentrations of ethylbenzene for several days to weeks.

Exposure to relatively low concentrations of ethylbenzene in air for several months to years causes kidney damage in animals.

How likely is ethylbenzene to cause cancer?

The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has determined that ethylbenzene is a possible human carcinogen.

Ethylbenzene

CAS # 100-41-4

How does ethylbenzene affect children?

There are no studies evaluating the effects of ethylbenzene exposure on children or immature animals. It is likely that children would have the same health effects as adults. We do not know whether children would be more sensitive than adults to the effects of ethylbenzene.

We do not know if ethylbenzene will cause birth defects in humans. Minor birth defects and low birth weight have occurred in newborn animals whose mothers were exposed to ethylbenzene in air during pregnancy.

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to ethylbenzene?

- Use adequate ventilation to reduce exposure to ethylbenzene vapors from consumer products such as gasoline, pesticides, varnishes and paints, and newly installed carpeting.
- Sometimes older children sniff household chemicals, including ethylbenzene, in an attempt to get high. Talk with your children about the dangers of sniffing chemicals.
- Household chemicals should be stored out of reach of children to prevent accidental poisoning. Always store household chemicals in their original containers; never store them in containers that children would find attractive to eat or drink from, such as old soda bottles. Gasoline should be stored in a gasoline can with a locked cap.

Is there a medical test to show whether I've been exposed to ethylbenzene?

Ethylbenzene is found in the blood, urine, breath, and some body tissues of exposed people. The most common way to test for ethylbenzene is in the urine. This test measures substances formed by the breakdown of ethylbenzene. Because these substances leave the body very quickly, this test needs to be done within a few hours after exposure occurs.

These tests can show you were exposed to ethylbenzene, but cannot predict the kind of health effects that might occur.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA has determined that exposure to ethylbenzene in drinking water at concentrations of 30 mg/L for 1 day or 3 mg/L for 10 days is not expected to cause any adverse effects in a child.

The EPA has determined that lifetime exposure to 0.7 mg/L ethylbenzene is not expected to cause any adverse effects.

The Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) has limited workers' exposure to an average of 100 ppm for an 8-hour workday, 40-hour workweek.

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Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR). 2010. Toxicological Profile for Ethylbenzene. Atlanta, GA: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service.

Where can I get more information?

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SUMMARY: Fuel oils are liquid mixtures produced from petroleum, and their use mostly involves burning them as fuels. Drinking or breathing fuel oils may cause nausea or nervous system effects. However, exposure under normal use conditions is not likely to be harmful. Fuel oils have been found in at least 26 of the 1,430 National Priorities List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What are fuel oils?

(Pronounced fyoo'əl oilz)

Fuel oils are a variety of yellowish to light brown liquid mixtures that come from crude petroleum. Some chemicals found in fuel oils may evaporate easily, while others may more easily dissolve in water.

Fuel oils are produced by different petroleum refining processes, depending on their intended uses. Fuel oils may be used as fuel for engines, lamps, heaters, furnaces, and stoves, or as solvents.

Some commonly found fuel oils include kerosene, diesel fuel, jet fuel, range oil, and home heating oil. These fuel oils differ from one another by their hydrocarbon compositions, boiling point ranges, chemical additives, and uses.

What happens to fuel oils when they enter the environment?

- ☐ Some chemicals found in fuel oils may evaporate into the air from open containers or contaminated soil or water.
- ☐ Some chemicals found in fuel oils may dissolve in water after spills to surface waters or leaks from underground storage tanks.

- ☐ Some chemicals found in fuel oils may stick to particles in water, which will eventually cause them to settle to the bottom sediment.
- ☐ Some of the chemicals found in fuel oils may be broken down slowly in air, water, and soil by sunlight or small organisms.
- ☐ Some of the chemicals found in fuel oils may build up significantly in plants and animals.

How might I be exposed to fuel oils?

- ☐ Using a home kerosene heater or stove, or using fuel oils at work.
- ☐ Breathing air in home or building basements that has been contaminated with fuel oil vapors entering from the soil.
- ☐ Drinking or swimming in water that has been contaminated with fuel oils from a spill or a leaking underground storage tank.
- ☐ Touching soil contaminated with fuel oils.
- ☐ Using fuel oils to wash paint or grease from skin or equipment.

How can fuel oils affect my health?

Little information is available about the health effects that may be caused by fuel oils. People who use kerosene

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stoves for cooking do not seem to have any health problems related to their exposure.

Breathing some fuel oils for short periods may cause nausea, eye irritation, increased blood pressure, headache, light-headedness, loss of appetite, poor coordination, and difficulty concentrating. Breathing diesel fuel vapors for long periods may cause kidney damage and lower your blood's ability to clot.

Drinking small amounts of kerosene may cause vomiting, diarrhea, coughing, stomach swelling and cramps, drowsiness, restlessness, painful breathing, irritability, and unconsciousness. Drinking large amounts of kerosene may cause convulsions, coma, or death. Skin contact with kerosene for short periods may cause itchy, red, sore, or peeling skin.

How likely are fuel oils to cause cancer?

The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has determined that some fuel oils (heavy) may possibly cause cancer in humans, but for other fuel oils (light) there is not enough information to make a determination. IARC has also determined that occupational exposures to fuel oils during petroleum refining are probably carcinogenic in humans.

Some studies with mice have suggested that repeated contact with fuel oils may cause liver or skin cancer. However, other mouse studies have found this not to be the case. No studies are available in other animals or in people on the carcinogenic effects of fuel oils.

Is there a medical test to show whether I've been exposed to fuel oils?

There is no medical test that shows if you have been exposed to fuel oils. Tests are available to determine if some of

the chemicals commonly found in fuel oils are in your blood. However, the presence of these chemicals in blood may not necessarily mean that you have been exposed to fuel oils.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the Air Force Office of Safety and Health (AFOSH) have set a permissible exposure level (PEL) of 400 parts of petroleum distillates per million parts of air (400 ppm) for an 8-hour workday, 40-hour workweek.

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) recommends that average workplace air levels not exceed 350 milligrams of petroleum distillates per cubic meter of air (350 mg/m³) for a 40-hour workweek.

The Department of Transportation (DOT) lists fuel oils as hazardous materials and, therefore, regulates their transportation.

Glossary

Carcinogenic: Able to cause cancer.

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service.

Evaporate: To change into a vapor or a gas.

Hydrocarbon: Any compound made up of hydrogen and carbon.

Milligram (mg): One thousandth of a gram.

ppm: Parts per million.

Sediment: Mud and debris that have settled to the bottom of a body of water.

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Lead - ToxFAQs™

What is lead?

Lead is a naturally occurring metal found in small amounts in the earth's crust. Lead can be found in all parts of our environment, including air, water and soil. Lead can exist in many different chemical forms.



Lead is used in the production of batteries, ammunition, and metal products (solder and pipes). Because of health concerns, use of lead in paints, ceramic products, caulking, and pipe solder has been dramatically reduced. The use of lead as an additive to automobile gasoline was banned in 1996 in the United States.

What happens to lead in the environment?

- Lead is an element and, therefore, it does not break down.
- When lead is released to the air, it may be transported long distances before it deposits onto the ground.
- Once deposited, lead often adheres to soil particles.
- Lead in soil can be transported into groundwater, but the amount of lead that moves into groundwater will depend on the chemical form of lead and soil type.

How can I be exposed to lead?

- Eating food or drinking water that contains lead. Water pipes in some older homes may contain lead solder which can leach into the water.
- Spending time in areas where lead-based paints have been used and are deteriorating. Deteriorating lead paint can form lead dust which can be ingested.
- Spending time in areas where the soil is contaminated with lead.
- Working in a job where lead is used or participating in certain hobbies in which lead is used, such as making stained glass.
- Using health-care products or folk remedies that contain lead.

Lead can affect almost every organ and system in your body

How can lead affect my health?

The effects of lead are the same whether it enters the body through inhalation or ingestion. Lead can affect almost every organ and system in your body. The nervous system is the main target for lead toxicity in adults and children. Long-term exposure can result in decreased learning, memory, and attention and weakness in fingers, wrists, or ankles. Lead exposure can cause anemia and damage to kidneys. It can also cause increases in blood pressure, particularly in middle-aged and older individuals. Exposure to high lead levels can severely damage the brain and kidneys and can cause death. In pregnant women, exposure to high levels of lead may cause a miscarriage. High-level exposure in men can damage reproductive organs.

Lead

How can lead affect children?

Children are more vulnerable to lead poisoning than adults because their nervous system is still developing. Children can be exposed to lead in their environment and prior to birth from lead in their mother's body. At lower levels of exposure, lead can decrease mental development, with effects on learning, intelligence and behavior. Physical growth may also be decreased. A child who swallows large amounts of lead may develop anemia, severe stomachache, muscle weakness, and brain damage. Exposure to lead during pregnancy can result in premature births. Some effects of lead may persist into adulthood.

Can lead cause cancer?

There have been several agencies and organizations both in the United States and internationally that have reviewed studies and made an assessment about whether lead can cause cancer.

- The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has determined that lead and lead compounds are reasonably anticipated to be human carcinogens
- The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has classified lead as a probable human carcinogen.
- The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has determined that inorganic lead is probably carcinogenic to humans, and that there is insufficient information to determine whether organic lead compounds will cause cancer in humans.

Can I get a medical test to check for lead?

A blood test is available to measure the amount of lead in your blood. Blood tests are commonly used to screen children for lead poisoning. Your doctor can draw blood samples and send them to appropriate laboratories for analysis.

How can I protect my family from lead exposure?

- Avoid exposure to sources of lead.
- Do not allow children to chew or mouth surfaces that may have been painted with lead-based paint.
- If your home contains lead-based paint or you live in an area contaminated with lead, wash children's hands and faces often to remove lead dusts and soil, and regularly clean the house of dust and tracked in soil.

Want more information?



Go to ATSDR's [Toxicological Profile for Lead](#)

CDC Lead Poisoning Prevention Program <https://www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead/default.htm>

Environmental Protection Agency <https://www.epa.gov/lead/protect-your-family-exposures-lead>

Call **CDC-INFO** at 1-800-232-4636, or submit your question online at <https://wwwn.cdc.gov/dcs/ContactUs/Form>

Go to ATSDR's Toxic Substances Portal: <http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/substances/index.asp>

If you have any more questions or concerns, you can also find & contact your ATSDR Regional Representative at http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/DRO/dro_org.html

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HIGHLIGHTS: Manganese is a trace element and eating a small amount from food or water is needed to stay healthy. Exposure to excess levels of manganese may occur from breathing air, particularly where manganese is used in manufacturing, and from drinking water and eating food. At high levels, it can cause damage to the brain. Manganese has been found in at least 869 of the 1,669 National Priorities List (NPL) sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is manganese?

Manganese is a naturally occurring metal that is found in many types of rocks. Pure manganese is silver-colored, but does not occur naturally. It combines with other substances such as oxygen, sulfur, or chlorine. Manganese occurs naturally in most foods and may be added to some foods.

Manganese is used principally in steel production to improve hardness, stiffness, and strength. It may also be used as an additive in gasoline to improve the octane rating of the gas.

What happens to manganese when it enters the environment?

- Manganese can be released to the air, soil, and water from the manufacture, use, and disposal of manganese-based products.
- Manganese cannot break down in the environment. It can only change its form or become attached to or separated from particles.
- In water, manganese tends to attach to particles in the water or settle into the sediment.
- The chemical state of manganese and the type of soil determine how fast it moves through the soil and how much is retained in the soil.
- The manganese-containing gasoline additive may degrade in the environment quickly when exposed to sunlight, releasing manganese.

How might I be exposed to manganese?

- The primary way you can be exposed to manganese is by eating food or manganese-containing nutritional supplements. Vegetarians, who consume foods rich in manganese such as grains, beans and nuts, as well as heavy tea drinkers, may have a higher intake of manganese than the average person.
- Certain occupations like welding or working in a factory where steel is made may increase your chances of being exposed to high levels of manganese.
- Manganese is routinely contained in groundwater, drinking water, and soil at low levels. Drinking water containing manganese or swimming or bathing in water containing manganese may expose you to low levels of this chemical.

How can manganese affect my health?

Manganese is an essential nutrient, and eating a small amount of it each day is important to stay healthy.

The most common health problems in workers exposed to high levels of manganese involve the nervous system. These health effects include behavioral changes and other nervous system effects, which include movements that may become slow and clumsy. This combination of symptoms when sufficiently severe is referred to as "manganism". Other less severe nervous system effects such as slowed hand movements have been observed in some workers exposed to lower concentrations in the work place.

Manganese

CAS # 7439-96-5

Exposure to high levels of manganese in air can cause lung irritation and reproductive effects.

Nervous system and reproductive effects have been observed in animals after high oral doses of manganese.

How likely is manganese to cause cancer?

The EPA concluded that existing scientific information cannot determine whether or not excess manganese can cause cancer.

How can manganese affect children?

Studies in children have suggested that extremely high levels of manganese exposure may produce undesirable effects on brain development, including changes in behavior and decreases in the ability to learn and remember. We do not know for certain that these changes were caused by manganese alone. We do not know if these changes are temporary or permanent. We do not know whether children are more sensitive than adults to the effects of manganese, but there is some indication from experiments in laboratory animals that they may be.

Studies of manganese workers have not found increases in birth defects or low birth weight in their offspring. No birth defects were observed in animals exposed to manganese.

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to manganese?

- Children are not likely to be exposed to harmful amounts of manganese in the diet. However, higher-than-usual amounts of manganese may be absorbed if their diet is low in iron. It is important to provide your child with a well-balanced diet.
- Workers exposed to high levels of airborne manganese in certain occupational settings may accumulate manganese dust on their work clothes. Manganese-contaminated work clothing should be

removed before getting into your car or entering your home to help reduce the exposure hazard for yourself and your family.

Is there a medical test to determine whether I've been exposed to manganese?

Several tests are available to measure manganese in blood, urine, hair, or feces. Because manganese is normally present in our body, some is always found in tissues or fluids.

Because excess manganese is usually removed from the body within a few days, past exposures are difficult to measure with common laboratory tests.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA has determined that exposure to manganese in drinking water at concentrations of 1 mg/L for up to 10 days is not expected to cause any adverse effects in a child.

The EPA has established that lifetime exposure to 0.3 mg/L manganese is not expected to cause any adverse effects.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has determined that the manganese concentration in bottled drinking water should not exceed 0.05 mg/L.

The Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) has established a ceiling limit (concentration that should not be exceeded at any time during exposure) of 5 mg/m³ for manganese in workplace air.

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Where can I get more information?

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HIGHLIGHTS: Exposure to mercury occurs from breathing contaminated air, ingesting contaminated water and food, and having dental and medical treatments. Mercury, at high levels, may damage the brain, kidneys, and developing fetus. This chemical has been found in at least 714 of 1,467 National Priorities List (NPL) sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is mercury?

Mercury is a naturally occurring metal which has several forms. The metallic mercury is a shiny, silver-white, odorless liquid. If heated, it is a colorless, odorless gas.

Mercury combines with other elements, such as chlorine, sulfur, or oxygen, to form inorganic mercury compounds or "salts," which are usually white powders or crystals. Mercury also combines with carbon to make organic mercury compounds. The most common one, methylmercury, is produced mainly by microscopic organisms in the water and soil. More mercury in the environment can increase the amounts of methylmercury that these small organisms make.

Metallic mercury is used to produce chlorine gas and caustic soda, and is also used in thermometers, some dental fillings, and batteries. Mercury salts are sometimes used in skin lightening creams and as antiseptic creams and ointments.

What happens to mercury when it enters the environment?

- Inorganic mercury (metallic mercury and inorganic mercury compounds) enters the air from mining ore deposits, burning coal and waste, and from manufacturing plants.
- It enters the water or soil from natural deposits, disposal of wastes, and volcanic activity.
- Methylmercury may be formed in water and soil by small organisms called bacteria.

- Methylmercury builds up in the tissues of fish. Larger and older fish tend to have the highest levels of mercury.

How might I be exposed to mercury?

- Eating fish or shellfish contaminated with methylmercury.
- Breathing vapors in air from spills, incinerators, and industries that burn mercury-containing fossil fuels.
- Release of mercury from dental work and medical treatments.
- Breathing contaminated workplace air or skin contact during use in the workplace.
- Practicing rituals that include mercury.

How can mercury affect my health?

The nervous system is very sensitive to all forms of mercury. Methylmercury and metallic mercury vapors are more harmful than other forms, because more mercury in these forms reaches the brain. Exposure to high levels of metallic, inorganic, or organic mercury can permanently damage the brain, kidneys, and developing fetus. Effects on brain functioning may result in irritability, shyness, tremors, changes in vision or hearing, and memory problems.

Short-term exposure to high levels of metallic mercury vapors may cause effects including lung damage, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, increases in blood pressure or heart rate, skin rashes, and eye irritation.

Mercury

CAS # 7439-97-6

How likely is mercury to cause cancer?

There are inadequate human cancer data available for all forms of mercury. Mercuric chloride has caused increases in several types of tumors in rats and mice, and methylmercury has caused kidney tumors in male mice. The EPA has determined that mercuric chloride and methylmercury are possible human carcinogens.

How can mercury affect children?

Very young children are more sensitive to mercury than adults. Mercury in the mother's body passes to the fetus and may accumulate there, possibly causing damage to the developing nervous system. It can also pass to a nursing infant through breast milk. However, the benefits of breast feeding may be greater than the possible adverse effects of mercury in breast milk.

Mercury's harmful effects that may affect the fetus include brain damage, mental retardation, incoordination, blindness, seizures, and inability to speak. Children poisoned by mercury may develop problems of their nervous and digestive systems, and kidney damage.

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to mercury?

Carefully handle and dispose of products that contain mercury, such as thermometers or fluorescent light bulbs. Do not vacuum up spilled mercury, because it will vaporize and increase exposure. If a large amount of mercury has been spilled, contact your health department. Teach children not to play with shiny, silver liquids.

Properly dispose of older medicines that contain mercury. Keep all mercury-containing medicines away from children.

Pregnant women and children should keep away from rooms where liquid mercury has been used.

Learn about wildlife and fish advisories in your area from your public health or natural resources department.

Is there a medical test to determine whether I've been exposed to mercury?

Tests are available to measure mercury levels in the body. Blood or urine samples are used to test for exposure to metallic mercury and to inorganic forms of mercury. Mercury in whole blood or in scalp hair is measured to determine exposure to methylmercury. Your doctor can take samples and send them to a testing laboratory.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA has set a limit of 2 parts of mercury per billion parts of drinking water (2 ppb).

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has set a maximum permissible level of 1 part of methylmercury in a million parts of seafood (1 ppm).

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set limits of 0.1 milligram of organic mercury per cubic meter of workplace air (0.1 mg/m^3) and 0.05 mg/m^3 of metallic mercury vapor for 8-hour shifts and 40-hour work weeks.

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HIGHLIGHTS: Exposure to naphthalene, 1-methylnaphthalene, or 2-methylnaphthalene happens mostly from breathing air contaminated from the burning of wood, tobacco, or fossil fuels, industrial discharges, or moth repellents. Exposure to large amounts of naphthalene may damage or destroy some of your red blood cells. Naphthalene has caused cancer in animals. Naphthalene, 1-methylnaphthalene, and 2-methylnaphthalene have been found in at least 687, 36, and 412, respectively, of the 1,662 National Priority List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What are naphthalene, 1-methylnaphthalene, and 2-methylnaphthalene?

Naphthalene is a white solid that evaporates easily. Fuels such as petroleum and coal contain naphthalene. It is also called white tar, and tar camphor, and has been used in mothballs and moth flakes. Burning tobacco or wood produces naphthalene. It has a strong, but not unpleasant smell. The major commercial use of naphthalene is in the manufacture of polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastics. Its major consumer use is in moth repellents and toilet deodorant blocks.

1-Methylnaphthalene and 2-methylnaphthalene are naphthalene-related compounds. 1-Methylnaphthalene is a clear liquid and 2-methylnaphthalene is a solid; both can be smelled in air and in water at very low concentrations.

1-Methylnaphthalene and 2-methylnaphthalene are used to make other chemicals such as dyes and resins. 2-Methylnaphthalene is also used to make vitamin K.

What happens to naphthalene, 1-methylnaphthalene, and 2-methylnaphthalene when they enter the environment?

- ☐ Naphthalene enters the environment from industrial and domestic sources, and from accidental spills.
- ☐ Naphthalene can dissolve in water to a limited degree and may be present in drinking water from wells close to hazardous waste sites and landfills.
- ☐ Naphthalene can become weakly attached to soil or pass through soil into underground water.
- ☐ In air, moisture and sunlight break it down within 1 day. In water, bacteria break it down or it evaporates into the air.
- ☐ Naphthalene does not accumulate in the flesh of animals or fish that you might eat.

- ☐ 1-Methylnaphthalene and 2-methylnaphthalene are expected to act like naphthalene in air, water, or soil because they have similar chemical and physical properties.

How might I be exposed to naphthalene, 1-methylnaphthalene, and 2-methylnaphthalene?

- ☐ Breathing low levels in outdoor air.
- ☐ Breathing air contaminated from industrial discharges or smoke from burning wood, tobacco, or fossil fuels.
- ☐ Using or making moth repellents, coal tar products, dyes or inks could expose you to these chemicals in the air.
- ☐ Drinking water from contaminated wells.
- ☐ Touching fabrics that are treated with moth repellents containing naphthalene.
- ☐ Exposure to naphthalene, 1-methylnaphthalene and 2-methylnaphthalene from eating foods or drinking beverages is unlikely.

How can naphthalene, 1-methylnaphthalene, and 2-methylnaphthalene affect my health?

Exposure to large amounts of naphthalene may damage or destroy some of your red blood cells. This could cause you to have too few red blood cells until your body replaces the destroyed cells. This condition is called hemolytic anemia. Some symptoms of hemolytic anemia are fatigue, lack of appetite, restlessness, and pale skin. Exposure to large amounts of naphthalene may also cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, blood in the urine, and a yellow color to the skin. Animals sometimes develop cloudiness in their eyes after swallowing high amounts of naphthalene. It is not clear whether this also develops in people. Rats and mice that breathed naphthalene vapors daily for a lifetime developed irritation and inflammation of their nose and lungs. It is unclear if naphthalene

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causes reproductive effects in animals; most evidence says it does not.

There are no studies of humans exposed to 1-methylnaphthalene or 2-methylnaphthalene.

Mice fed food containing 1-methylnaphthalene and 2-methylnaphthalene for most of their lives had part of their lungs filled with an abnormal material.

How likely are naphthalene, 1-methylnaphthalene, or 2-methylnaphthalene to cause cancer?

There is no direct evidence in humans that naphthalene, 1-methylnaphthalene, or 2-methylnaphthalene cause cancer. However, cancer from naphthalene exposure has been seen in animal studies. Some female mice that breathed naphthalene vapors daily for a lifetime developed lung tumors. Some male and female rats exposed to naphthalene in a similar manner also developed nose tumors.

Based on the results from animal studies, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) concluded that naphthalene is reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) concluded that naphthalene is possibly carcinogenic to humans. The EPA determined that naphthalene is a possible human carcinogen (Group C) and that the data are inadequate to assess the human carcinogenic potential of 2-methylnaphthalene.

How can naphthalene, 1-methylnaphthalene, or 2-methylnaphthalene affect children?

Hospitals have reported many cases of hemolytic anemia in children, including newborns and infants, who either ate naphthalene mothballs or deodorants cakes or who were in close contact with clothing or blankets stored in naphthalene mothballs. Naphthalene can move from a pregnant woman's blood to the unborn baby's blood. Naphthalene has been detected in some samples of breast milk from the general U.S. population, but not at levels that are expected to be of concern.

There is no information on whether naphthalene has affected development in humans. No developmental abnormalities were observed in the offspring from rats, mice, and rabbits fed naphthalene during pregnancy.

We do not have any information on possible health effects of 1-methylnaphthalene or 2-methylnaphthalene on children.

How can families reduce the risks of exposure to naphthalene, 1-methylnaphthalene, and 2-methylnaphthalene?

❑ Families can reduce the risks of exposure to naphthalene, 1-methylnaphthalene, and 2-methylnaphthalene by avoiding smoking tobacco, generating smoke during cooking, or using

fireplaces or heating appliances in their homes.

❑ If families use naphthalene-containing moth repellents, the material should be enclosed in containers that prevent vapors from escaping, and kept out of the reach from children.

❑ Blankets and clothing stored with naphthalene moth repellents should be aired outdoors to remove naphthalene odors and washed before they are used.

❑ Families should inform themselves of the contents of air deodorizers that are used in their homes and refrain from using deodorizers with naphthalene.

Is there a medical test to determine whether I've been exposed to naphthalene, 1-methylnaphthalene, and 2-methylnaphthalene?

Tests are available that measure levels of these chemicals and their breakdown products in samples of urine, feces, blood, maternal milk, or body fat. These tests are not routinely available in a doctor's office because they require special equipment, but samples can be sent to special testing laboratories. These tests cannot determine exactly how much naphthalene, 1-methylnaphthalene, or 2-methylnaphthalene you were exposed to or predict whether harmful effects will occur. If the samples are collected within a day or two of exposure, then the tests can show if you were exposed to a large or small amount of naphthalene, 1-methylnaphthalene, or 2-methylnaphthalene.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA recommends that children not drink water with over 0.5 parts per million (0.5 ppm) naphthalene for more than 10 days or over 0.4 ppm for any longer than 7 years. Adults should not drink water with more than 1 ppm for more than 7 years. For water consumed over a lifetime (70 years), the EPA suggests that it contain no more than 0.1 ppm naphthalene.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) set a limit of 10 ppm for the level of naphthalene in workplace air during an 8-hour workday, 40-hour workweek. The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) considers more than 500 ppm of naphthalene in air to be immediately dangerous to life or health. This is the exposure level of a chemical that is likely to impair a worker's ability to leave a contaminate area and therefore, results in permanent health problems or death.

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This fact sheet answers the most frequently asked health questions (FAQs) about nickel. For more information, call the ATSDR Information Center at 1-888-422-8737. This fact sheet is one in a series of summaries about hazardous substances and their health effects. It is important you understand this information because this substance may harm you. The effects of exposure to any hazardous substance depend on the dose, the duration, how you are exposed, personal traits and habits, and whether other chemicals are present.

HIGHLIGHTS: Nickel is a naturally occurring element. Pure nickel is a hard, silvery-white metal used to make stainless steel and other metal alloys. Skin effects are the most common effects in people who are sensitive to nickel. Workers who breathed very large amounts of nickel compounds developed chronic bronchitis and lung and nasal sinus cancers. Nickel has been found in at least 882 of the 1,662 National Priority List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is nickel?

Nickel is a very abundant natural element. Pure nickel is a hard, silvery-white metal. Nickel can be combined with other metals, such as iron, copper, chromium, and zinc, to form alloys. These alloys are used to make coins, jewelry, and items such as valves and heat exchangers. Most nickel is used to make stainless steel.

Nickel can combine with other elements such as chlorine, sulfur, and oxygen to form nickel compounds. Many nickel compounds dissolve fairly easy in water and have a green color. Nickel compounds are used for nickel plating, to color ceramics, to make some batteries, and as substances known as catalysts that increase the rate of chemical reactions. Nickel is found in all soil and is emitted from volcanoes. Nickel is also found in meteorites and on the ocean floor. Nickel and its compounds have no characteristic odor or taste.

What happens to nickel when it enters the environment?

- ☐ Nickel is released into the atmosphere by industries that make or use nickel, nickel alloys, or nickel compounds. It is also released into the atmosphere by oil-burning power plants, coal-burning power plants, and trash incinerators.
- ☐ In the air, it attaches to small particles of dust that settle to the ground or are taken out of the air in rain or snow; this usually takes many days.

- ☐ Nickel released in industrial waste water ends up in soil or sediment where it strongly attaches to particles containing iron or manganese.

- ☐ Nickel does not appear to accumulate in fish or in other animals used as food.

How might I be exposed to nickel?

- ☐ By eating food containing nickel, which is the major source of exposure for most people.
- ☐ By skin contact with soil, bath or shower water, or metals containing nickel, as well as by handling coins or touching jewelry containing nickel.
- ☐ By drinking water that contains small amounts of nickel.
- ☐ By breathing air or smoking tobacco containing nickel.
- ☐ Higher exposure may occur if you work in industries that process or use nickel.

How can nickel affect my health?

The most common harmful health effect of nickel in humans is an allergic reaction. Approximately 10-20% of the population is sensitive to nickel. People can become sensitive to nickel when jewelry or other things containing it are in direct contact with the skin for a long time. Once a person is sensitized to nickel, further contact with the metal may produce a reaction. The most common reaction is a skin rash at the site of contact. The skin rash may also

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occur at a site away from the site of contact. Less frequently, some people who are sensitive to nickel have asthma attacks following exposure to nickel. Some sensitized people react when they consume food or water containing nickel or breathe dust containing it.

People working in nickel refineries or nickel-processing plants have experienced chronic bronchitis and reduced lung function. These persons breathed amounts of nickel much higher than levels found normally in the environment. Workers who drank water containing high amounts of nickel had stomach ache and suffered adverse effects to their blood and kidneys.

Damage to the lung and nasal cavity has been observed in rats and mice breathing nickel compounds. Eating or drinking large amounts of nickel has caused lung disease in dogs and rats and has affected the stomach, blood, liver, kidneys, and immune system in rats and mice, as well as their reproduction and development.

How likely is nickel to cause cancer?

Cancers of the lung and nasal sinus have resulted when workers breathed dust containing high levels of nickel compounds while working in nickel refineries or nickel processing plants. The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has determined that nickel metal may reasonably be anticipated to be a carcinogen and that nickel compounds are known human carcinogens. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has determined that some nickel compounds are carcinogenic to humans and that metallic nickel may possibly be carcinogenic to humans. The EPA has determined that nickel refinery dust and nickel subsulfide are human carcinogens.

How can nickel affect children?

It is likely that the health effects seen in children exposed to nickel will be similar to those seen in adults. We do not know whether children differ from adults in their susceptibility to nickel. Human studies that examined whether nickel can harm the fetus are inconclusive. Animal studies have found increases in newborn deaths and

decreased newborn weight after ingesting very high amounts of nickel. Nickel can be transferred from the mother to an infant in breast milk and can cross the placenta.

How can families reduce the risks of exposure to nickel?

- ❑ Avoiding jewelry containing nickel will eliminate risks of exposure to this source of the metal.
- ❑ Exposures of the general population from other sources, such as foods and drinking water, are almost always too low to be of concern.

Is there a medical test to determine whether I've been exposed to nickel?

There are tests available to measure nickel in your blood, feces, and urine. More nickel was measured in the urine of workers who were exposed to nickel compounds that dissolve easily in water than in the urine of workers exposed to nickel compounds that are hard to dissolve. This means that it is easier to tell if you have been exposed to soluble nickel compounds than less-soluble compounds. The nickel measurements do not accurately predict potential health effects from exposure to nickel.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA recommends that drinking water should contain no more than 0.1 milligrams of nickel per liter of water (0.1 mg/L). To protect workers, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set a limit of 1 mg of nickel per cubic meter of air (1 mg/m³) for metallic nickel and nickel compounds in workplace air during an 8-hour workday, 40-hour workweek.

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Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) - ToxFAQs™

This fact sheet answers the most frequently asked health questions (FAQs) about polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs). For more information, call the CDC Information Center at 1-800-232-4636. This fact sheet is one in a series of summaries about hazardous substances and their health effects. This information is important because this substance may harm you. The effects of exposure to any hazardous substance depend on the dose, the duration, how you are exposed, personal traits and habits, and whether other chemicals are present.

HIGHLIGHTS: Exposure to polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons usually occurs by breathing air contaminated by wild fires or coal tar, or by eating foods that have been grilled. PAHs have been found in at least 600 of the 1,430 National Priorities List (NPL) sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What are polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons?

(Pronounced pŏl'ī-sī'klīk ār'ə-măt'īk hī'drə-kar'bənz)

Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) are a group of over 100 different chemicals that are formed during the incomplete burning of coal, oil and gas, garbage, or other organic substances like tobacco or charbroiled meat. PAHs are usually found as a mixture containing two or more of these compounds, such as soot.

Some PAHs are manufactured. These pure PAHs usually exist as colorless, white, or pale yellow-green solids. PAHs are found in coal tar, crude oil, creosote, and roofing tar, but a few are used in medicines or to make dyes, plastics, and pesticides.

What happens to PAHs when they enter the environment?

- PAHs enter the air mostly as releases from volcanoes, forest fires, burning coal, and automobile exhaust.
- PAHs can occur in air attached to dust particles.
- Some PAH particles can readily evaporate into the air from soil or surface waters.
- PAHs can break down by reacting with sunlight and other chemicals in the air, over a period of days to weeks.
- PAHs enter water through discharges from industrial and wastewater treatment plants.

- Most PAHs do not dissolve easily in water. They stick to solid particles and settle to the bottoms of lakes or rivers.
- Microorganisms can break down PAHs in soil or water after a period of weeks to months.
- In soils, PAHs are most likely to stick tightly to particles; certain PAHs move through soil to contaminate underground water.
- PAH contents of plants and animals may be much higher than PAH contents of soil or water in which they live.

How might I be exposed to PAHs?

- Breathing air containing PAHs in the workplace of coking, coal-tar, and asphalt production plants; smokehouses; and municipal trash incineration facilities.
- Breathing air containing PAHs from cigarette smoke, wood smoke, vehicle exhausts, asphalt roads, or agricultural burn smoke.
- Coming in contact with air, water, or soil near hazardous waste sites.
- Eating grilled or charred meats; contaminated cereals, flour, bread, vegetables, fruits, meats; and processed or pickled foods.
- Drinking contaminated water or cow's milk.
- Nursing infants of mothers living near hazardous waste sites may be exposed to PAHs through their mother's milk.

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How can PAHs affect my health?

Mice that were fed high levels of one PAH during pregnancy had difficulty reproducing and so did their offspring. These offspring also had higher rates of birth defects and lower body weights. It is not known whether these effects occur in people.

Animal studies have also shown that PAHs can cause harmful effects on the skin, body fluids, and ability to fight disease after both short- and long-term exposure. But these effects have not been seen in people.

How likely are PAHs to cause cancer?

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has determined that some PAHs may reasonably be expected to be carcinogens.

Some people who have breathed or touched mixtures of PAHs and other chemicals for long periods of time have developed cancer. Some PAHs have caused cancer in laboratory animals when they breathed air containing them (lung cancer), ingested them in food (stomach cancer), or had them applied to their skin (skin cancer).

Is there a medical test to show whether I've been exposed to PAHs?

In the body, PAHs are changed into chemicals that can attach to substances within the body. There are special tests that can detect PAHs attached to these substances in body tissues or blood. However, these tests cannot tell whether any health effects will occur or find out the extent or source of your exposure to the PAHs. The tests aren't usually available in your doctor's office because special equipment is needed to conduct them.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set a limit of 0.2 milligrams of PAHs per cubic meter of air (0.2 mg/m^3). The OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit (PEL) for mineral oil mist that contains PAHs is 5 mg/m^3 averaged over an 8-hour exposure period.

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) recommends that the average workplace air levels for coal tar products not exceed 0.1 mg/m^3 for a 10-hour workday, within a 40-hour workweek. There are other limits for workplace exposure for things that contain PAHs, such as coal, coal tar, and mineral oil.

Glossary

Carcinogen: A substance that can cause cancer.

Ingest: Take food or drink into your body.

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Where can I get more information?

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Polychlorinated Biphenyls - ToxFAQs™

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HIGHLIGHTS: Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) are a mixture of individual chemicals which are no longer produced in the United States, but are still found in the environment. Health effects that have been associated with exposure to PCBs include acne-like skin conditions in adults and neurobehavioral and immunological changes in children. PCBs are known to cause cancer in animals. PCBs have been found in at least 500 of the 1,598 National Priorities List (NPL) sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What are polychlorinated biphenyls?

Polychlorinated biphenyls are mixtures of up to 209 individual chlorinated compounds (known as congeners). There are no known natural sources of PCBs. PCBs are either oily liquids or solids that are colorless to light yellow. Some PCBs can exist as a vapor in air. PCBs have no known smell or taste. Many commercial PCB mixtures are known in the U.S. by the trade name Aroclor.

PCBs have been used as coolants and lubricants in transformers, capacitors, and other electrical equipment because they don't burn easily and are good insulators. The manufacture of PCBs was stopped in the U.S. in 1977 because of evidence they build up in the environment and can cause harmful health effects. Products made before 1977 that may contain PCBs include old fluorescent lighting fixtures and electrical devices containing PCB capacitors, and old microscope and hydraulic oils.

What happens to PCBs when they enter the environment?

- PCBs entered the air, water, and soil during their manufacture, use, and disposal; from accidental spills and leaks during their transport; and from leaks or fires in products containing PCBs.
- PCBs can still be released to the environment from hazardous waste sites; illegal or improper disposal of industrial wastes and consumer products; leaks from old electrical transformers containing PCBs; and burning of some wastes in incinerators.
- PCBs do not readily break down in the environment and thus may remain there for very long periods of time. PCBs can travel long distances in the air and be deposited in areas far away from where they were released. In water, a small amount of PCBs may remain dissolved, but most stick to organic particles and bottom sediments. PCBs also bind strongly to soil.

- PCBs are taken up by small organisms and fish in water. They are also taken up by other animals that eat these aquatic animals as food. PCBs accumulate in fish and marine mammals, reaching levels that may be many thousands of times higher than in water.

How might I be exposed to PCBs?

- Using old fluorescent lighting fixtures and electrical devices and appliances, such as television sets and refrigerators, that were made 30 or more years ago. These items may leak small amounts of PCBs into the air when they get hot during operation, and could be a source of skin exposure.
- Eating contaminated food. The main dietary sources of PCBs are fish (especially sportfish caught in contaminated lakes or rivers), meat, and dairy products.
- Breathing air near hazardous waste sites and drinking contaminated well water.
- In the workplace during repair and maintenance of PCB transformers; accidents, fires or spills involving transformers, fluorescent lights, and other old electrical devices; and disposal of PCB materials.

How can PCBs affect my health?

The most commonly observed health effects in people exposed to large amounts of PCBs are skin conditions such as acne and rashes. Studies in exposed workers have shown changes in blood and urine that may indicate liver damage. PCB exposures in the general population are not likely to result in skin and liver effects. Most of the studies of health effects of PCBs in the general population examined children of mothers who were exposed to PCBs.

Animals that ate food containing large amounts of PCBs for short periods of time had mild liver damage and some died. Animals that ate smaller amounts of PCBs in food over

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several weeks or months developed various kinds of health effects, including anemia; acne-like skin conditions; and liver, stomach, and thyroid gland injuries. Other effects of PCBs in animals include changes in the immune system, behavioral alterations, and impaired reproduction. PCBs are not known to cause birth defects.

How likely are PCBs to cause cancer?

Few studies of workers indicate that PCBs were associated with certain kinds of cancer in humans, such as cancer of the liver and biliary tract. Rats that ate food containing high levels of PCBs for two years developed liver cancer. The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has concluded that PCBs may reasonably be anticipated to be carcinogens. PCBs have been classified as probably carcinogenic, and carcinogenic to humans (group 1) by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), respectively.

How can PCBs affect children?

Women who were exposed to relatively high levels of PCBs in the workplace or ate large amounts of fish contaminated with PCBs had babies that weighed slightly less than babies from women who did not have these exposures. Babies born to women who ate PCB-contaminated fish also showed abnormal responses in tests of infant behavior. Some of these behaviors, such as problems with motor skills and a decrease in short-term memory, lasted for several years. Other studies suggest that the immune system was affected in children born to and nursed by mothers exposed to increased levels of PCBs. There are no reports of structural birth defects caused by exposure to PCBs or of health effects of PCBs in older children. The most likely way infants will be exposed to PCBs is from breast milk. Transplacental transfers of PCBs were also reported. In most cases, the benefits of breast-feeding outweigh any risks from exposure to PCBs in mother's milk.

How can families reduce the risks of exposure to PCBs?

- You and your children may be exposed to PCBs by eating fish or wildlife caught from contaminated locations. Certain states, Native American tribes, and U.S. territories have issued advisories to warn people about PCB-contaminated fish and fish-eating wildlife. You can reduce your family's exposure to PCBs by obeying these advisories.
- Children should be told not play with old appliances, electrical equipment, or transformers, since they may contain PCBs.

- Children should be discouraged from playing in the dirt near hazardous waste sites and in areas where there was a transformer fire. Children should also be discouraged from eating dirt and putting dirty hands, toys or other objects in their mouths, and should wash hands frequently.
- If you are exposed to PCBs in the workplace it is possible to carry them home on your clothes, body, or tools. If this is the case, you should shower and change clothing before leaving work, and your work clothes should be kept separate from other clothes and laundered separately.

Is there a medical test to show whether I've been exposed to PCBs?

Tests exist to measure levels of PCBs in your blood, body fat, and breast milk, but these are not routinely conducted. Most people normally have low levels of PCBs in their body because nearly everyone has been environmentally exposed to PCBs. The tests can show if your PCB levels are elevated, which would indicate past exposure to above-normal levels of PCBs, but cannot determine when or how long you were exposed or whether you will develop health effects.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA has set a limit of 0.0005 milligrams of PCBs per liter of drinking water (0.0005 mg/L). Discharges, spills or accidental releases of 1 pound or more of PCBs into the environment must be reported to the EPA. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) requires that infant foods, eggs, milk and other dairy products, fish and shellfish, poultry and red meat contain no more than 0.2-3 parts of PCBs per million parts (0.2-3 ppm) of food. Many states have established fish and wildlife consumption advisories for PCBs.

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Tetrachloroethylene - ToxFAQs™

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HIGHLIGHTS: Tetrachloroethylene is a manufactured chemical used for dry cleaning and metal degreasing and in the aerospace industry. Exposure to very high concentrations of tetrachloroethylene can cause dizziness, headaches, sleepiness, incoordination, confusion, nausea, unconsciousness, and even death. Tetrachloroethylene has been found in at least 949 of the 1,854 National Priorities List sites identified by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is tetrachloroethylene?

Tetrachloroethylene is a nonflammable colorless liquid. Other names for tetrachloroethylene include perchloroethylene, PCE, perc, tetrachloroethene, and perchlor. Most people can smell tetrachloroethylene when it is present in the air at a level of 1 part in 1 million parts of air (1 ppm) or more.

Tetrachloroethylene is used as a dry cleaning agent and metal degreasing solvent. It is also used as a starting material (building block) for making other chemicals and is used in some consumer products.

What happens to tetrachloroethylene when it enters the environment?

- Tetrachloroethylene can be released into air, water, and soil at places where it is produced or used.
- Tetrachloroethylene breaks down very slowly in the air and so it can be transported long distances in the air. Half of the amount in the air will degrade in approximately 100 days.
- Tetrachloroethylene evaporates quickly from water into air. It is generally slow to break down in water.
- Tetrachloroethylene may evaporate quickly from shallow soils or may filter through the soil and into the groundwater below. It is generally slow to break down in soil.

How might I be exposed to tetrachloroethylene?

- When you bring clothes from the dry cleaners, they will release small amounts of tetrachloroethylene into the air.
- When you drink water containing tetrachloroethylene, you are exposed to it. You might also be exposed to tetrachloroethylene that is released into the air during showering and bathing.
- People residing near contaminated sites or dry cleaning locations may be exposed to higher levels than the general population.
- People working in the dry cleaning industries or using metal degreasing products may be exposed to elevated levels of tetrachloroethylene.

How can tetrachloroethylene affect my health?

Breathing high levels of tetrachloroethylene for a brief period may cause dizziness or drowsiness, headache, and incoordination; higher levels may cause unconsciousness and even death.

Exposure for longer periods to low levels of tetrachloroethylene may cause changes in mood, memory, attention, reaction time, and vision.

Studies in animals exposed to tetrachloroethylene have shown liver and kidney effects, and changes in brain chemistry, but we do not know what these findings mean for humans.

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How likely is tetrachloroethylene to cause cancer?

Studies in humans suggest that exposure to tetrachloroethylene might lead to a higher risk of getting bladder cancer, multiple myeloma, or non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

In animals, tetrachloroethylene has been shown to cause cancers of the liver, kidney, and blood system.

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) considers tetrachloroethylene to be reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen. EPA considers tetrachloroethylene likely to be carcinogenic to humans by all routes of exposure. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) considers tetrachloroethylene probably carcinogenic to humans.

How can tetrachloroethylene affect children?

It is not known whether children are more susceptible than adults to the effects of tetrachloroethylene.

A few studies in humans have suggested that exposure to tetrachloroethylene increased the numbers of babies with birth defects, but these studies were not large enough to clearly answer the question. Studies in animals exposed by inhalation or stomach tube have not shown clear evidence of specific birth defects.

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to tetrachloroethylene?

- Tetrachloroethylene has been found in low levels in some food. You can minimize the risk of your family's exposure by peeling and thoroughly washing fruits and vegetables before cooking.
- Use bottled water if you have concerns about the presence of tetrachloroethylene in your tap water. You may also contact local drinking water authorities and follow their advice.

- Prevent children from playing in dirt or eating dirt if you live near a waste site that has tetrachloroethylene.
- Tetrachloroethylene is widely used as a scouring solvent that removes oils from fabrics, as a carrier solvent, as a fabric finish or water repellent, and as a metal degreaser/cleaner. Follow instructions on product labels to minimize exposure to tetrachloroethylene.

Is there a medical test to determine whether I've been exposed to tetrachloroethylene?

Tetrachloroethylene and its breakdown products (metabolites) can be measured in blood and urine. However, the detection of tetrachloroethylene or its metabolites cannot predict the kind of health effects that might develop from that exposure. Because tetrachloroethylene and its metabolites leave the body fairly rapidly, the tests need to be conducted within days after exposure.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set an 8-hour time weighted average permissible exposure limit of 100 ppm, an acceptable ceiling exposure limit of 200 ppm, and a maximum peak of 300 ppm (not to be exceeded for more than 5 minutes of any 3-hour period).

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) recommends that workplace exposure to tetrachloroethylene be minimized due to concerns about its carcinogenicity.

Reference

This ToxFAQs™ information is taken from the 2019 Toxicological Profile for Tetrachloroethylene produced by the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Public Health Service, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service in Atlanta, GA.

Where can I get more information?

For more information, contact the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Division of Toxicology and Human Health Sciences, 1600 Clifton Road NE, Mailstop F-57, Atlanta, GA 30329-4027.

Phone: 1-800-232-4636

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Trichloroethylene - ToxFAQs™

CAS # 79-01-6

This fact sheet answers the most frequently asked health questions (FAQs) about trichloroethylene. For more information, call the ATSDR Information Center at 1-800-232-4636. This fact sheet is one in a series of summaries about hazardous substances and their health effects. It is important you understand this information because this substance may harm you. The effects of exposure to any hazardous substance depend on the dose, the duration, how you are exposed, personal traits and habits, and whether other chemicals are present.

HIGHLIGHTS: Trichloroethylene is used as a solvent for cleaning metal parts. Exposure to very high concentrations of trichloroethylene can cause dizziness, headaches, sleepiness, incoordination, confusion, nausea, unconsciousness, and even death. Trichloroethylene has been found in at least 1,051 of the 1,854 National Priorities List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is trichloroethylene?

Trichloroethylene is a colorless, volatile liquid. Liquid trichloroethylene evaporates quickly into the air. It is nonflammable and has a sweet odor.

The two major uses of trichloroethylene are as a solvent to remove grease from metal parts and as a chemical that is used to make other chemicals, especially the refrigerant, HFC-134a.

What happens to trichloroethylene when it enters the environment?

- Trichloroethylene can be released to air, water, and soil at places where it is produced or used.
- Trichloroethylene is broken down quickly in air.
- Trichloroethylene breaks down very slowly in soil and water and is removed mostly through evaporation to air.
- It is expected to remain in groundwater for long time since it is not able to evaporate.
- Trichloroethylene does not build up significantly in plants or animals.

How might I be exposed to trichloroethylene?

- Breathing trichloroethylene in contaminated air.
- Drinking contaminated water.
- Workers at facilities using this substance for metal degreasing are exposed to higher levels of trichloroethylene.
- If you live near such a facility or near a hazardous waste site containing trichloroethylene, you may also have higher exposure to this substance.

How can trichloroethylene affect my health?

Trichloroethylene was once used as an anesthetic for surgery. Exposure to moderate amounts of trichloroethylene may cause headaches, dizziness, and sleepiness; large amounts may cause coma and even death. Eating or breathing high levels of trichloroethylene may damage some of the nerves in the face. Exposure to high levels can also result in changes in the rhythm of the heartbeat, liver damage, and evidence of kidney damage. Skin contact with concentrated solutions of trichloroethylene can cause skin rashes. There is some evidence exposure to trichloroethylene in the work place may cause scleroderma (a systemic autoimmune disease) in some people. Some men occupationally-exposed to trichloroethylene and other chemicals showed decreases in sex drive, sperm quality, and reproductive hormone levels.

How likely is trichloroethylene to cause cancer?

There is strong evidence that trichloroethylene can cause kidney cancer in people and some evidence for trichloroethylene-induced liver cancer and malignant lymphoma. Lifetime exposure to trichloroethylene resulted in increased liver cancer in mice and increased kidney cancer and testicular cancer in rats.

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) considers trichloroethylene to be a known human carcinogen. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) classified trichloroethylene as carcinogenic to humans. The EPA has characterized trichloroethylene as carcinogenic to humans by all routes of exposure.

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How can trichloroethylene affect children?

It is not known whether children are more susceptible than adults to the effects of trichloroethylene.

Some human studies indicate that trichloroethylene may cause developmental effects such as spontaneous abortion, congenital heart defects, central nervous system defects, and small birth weight. However, these people were exposed to other chemicals as well.

In some animal studies, exposure to trichloroethylene during development caused decreases in body weight, increases in heart defects, changes to the developing nervous system, and effects on the immune system.

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to trichloroethylene?

- Avoid drinking water from sources that are known to be contaminated with trichloroethylene. Use bottled water if you have concerns about the presence of chemicals in your tap water. You may also contact local drinking water authorities and follow their advice.
- Prevent children from playing in dirt or eating dirt if you live near a waste site that has trichloroethylene.
- Trichloroethylene is used in many industrial products. Follow instructions on product labels to minimize exposure to trichloroethylene.

Is there a medical test to determine whether I've been exposed to trichloroethylene?

Trichloroethylene and its breakdown products (metabolites) can be measured in blood and urine. However, the detection of trichloroethylene or its metabolites cannot predict the kind of health effects that might develop from that exposure. Because trichloroethylene and its metabolites leave the body fairly rapidly, the tests need to be conducted within days after exposure.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA set a maximum contaminant goal (MCL) of 0.005 milligrams per liter (mg/L; 5 ppb) as a national primary drinking standard for trichloroethylene.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) set a permissible exposure limit (PEL) of 100 ppm for trichloroethylene in air averaged over an 8-hour work day, an acceptable ceiling concentration of 200 ppm provided the 8 hour PEL is not exceeded, and an acceptable maximum peak of 300 ppm for a maximum duration of 5 minutes in any 2 hours.

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) considers trichloroethylene to be a potential occupational carcinogen and established a recommended exposure limit (REL) of 2 ppm (as a 60-minute ceiling) during its use as an anesthetic agent and 25 ppm (as a 10-hour TWA) during all other exposures.

Reference

This ToxFAQs™ information is taken from the 2019 Toxicological Profile for Trichloroethylene produced by the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Public Health Service, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service in Atlanta, GA.

Where can I get more information?

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Toluene - ToxFAQs™

CAS # 108-88-3

This fact sheet answers the most frequently asked health related questions (FAQs) regarding exposure to toluene. For more information, call the CDC Information Center at 1-800-232-4636. This fact sheet is one in a series of summaries about hazardous substances and their health effects. It's important that you understand this information because this substance may harm you, or your family. The health effects of exposure to any hazardous substance depend on the dose, the duration, how you are exposed, personal traits and habits, and whether other chemicals are present.

HIGHLIGHTS: Exposure to toluene occurs from breathing contaminated workplace air, automobile exhaust, or by using products such as paints, paint thinners, fingernail polish, lacquers, and adhesives. Toluene affects the nervous system. Toluene has been found in at least 1,012 of the 1,699 National Priorities List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is toluene?

Toluene is a clear, colorless liquid with a distinctive smell. It is a good solvent (a substance that can dissolve other substances). Toluene occurs naturally in crude oil and in the *tolú* tree. It is produced in the process of making gasoline and other fuels from crude oil and in making coke from coal.

Toluene is used in making paints, paint thinners, fingernail polish, lacquers, adhesives, and rubber and in some printing and leather tanning processes. Toluene is also used in the manufacture of other chemicals, nylon, and plastics. It is also added to gasoline along with benzene and xylene to improve octane ratings.

What happens to toluene when it enters the environment?

- Toluene enters the environment when you use materials that contain it. It can also enter surface water and ground water from spills of solvents and petroleum products as well as leaking underground storage tanks at gasoline stations and other facilities.
- When toluene-containing products are placed in landfills or waste disposal sites, toluene can enter the soil or water near the waste site.
- Toluene in subsurface water can be degraded by anaerobic microorganisms.
- Toluene in surface water or soil will readily evaporate to the air or be degraded by bacteria.
- Toluene does not usually stay in the environment long.

How might I be exposed to toluene?

- Breathing contaminated workplace air or automobile exhaust.
- Individuals who work with gasoline, paint, lacquer, or dyes have greater exposures to toluene, as do individuals who smoke or intentionally inhale products containing toluene for its euphoric effects or to get high.
- Living near uncontrolled hazardous waste sites containing toluene products.
- Toluene is not frequently detected in drinking water or food.

How can toluene affect my health?

Toluene may affect the nervous system. Low to moderate levels can cause tiredness, confusion, weakness, drunken-type actions, memory loss, nausea, and loss of appetite. These symptoms usually disappear when exposure stops.

Long-term daily inhalation exposure to toluene in the workplace may cause some hearing and color vision loss. Repeatedly breathing toluene from glue or paint thinners may permanently damage the brain.

The effects of toluene in animals are similar to those seen in humans.

How likely is toluene to cause cancer?

Studies in workers and animals exposed to toluene generally indicate that toluene is not carcinogenic

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The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) determined that toluene is not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity in humans. The EPA determined there is inadequate information to assess the carcinogenic potential of toluene. The National Toxicology Program (NTP) has not considered the carcinogenic potential of toluene.

How can toluene affect children?

The effects of toluene on children have not been studied very much, but toluene seems to produce the same types of effects in children as it does in adults.

Some older children and adolescents who have repeatedly breathed large amounts of toluene to get high have developed loss of muscle control, loss of memory, poor balance, and decreased mental abilities. Some of these changes may last for a long time after toluene has left the body.

Some mothers who breathed large amounts of toluene during pregnancy to get high have had children with birth defects, including retardation of mental abilities and growth.

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to toluene?

- Families can reduce their risk of exposure to toluene by using consumer products containing the chemical (such as paints, glues, inks, and stain removers) in well-ventilated areas and reading the labels of the products.
- When not in use, toluene-containing products should be tightly covered to prevent evaporation into the air.
- Household chemicals should be stored out of the reach of young children to prevent accidental poisonings.
- Always store household chemicals in their original labeled containers. Never store household chemicals in containers that children would find attractive to eat or drink from, such as old soda bottles.
- Use bottled water if you have concerns about the presence of toluene in your tap water.

- Prevent children from eating or playing in the dirt if you live near a waste site that has been contaminated with toluene.
- Talk with children about the dangers of sniffing chemicals.

Is there a medical test to show whether I've been exposed to toluene?

Toluene and its breakdown products (metabolites) can be measured in blood and urine. However, the detection of toluene or its metabolites cannot predict the kind of health effects that might develop from that exposure. Because toluene and its metabolites leave the body fairly rapidly, the tests need to be conducted within days after exposure. The tests are not routinely available at the doctor's office because they require special equipment.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA has recommended a drinking water limit of 1 mg/L for toluene.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set a legal limit for workers of 200 ppm for toluene in air averaged over an 8 hour workday.

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) has set a recommended limit of 100 ppm for toluene in air averaged over a 10-hour workday.

References

This ToxFAQs™ information is taken from the 2015 Toxicological Profile for Toluene (Draft for Public Comment) produced by the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Public Health Service, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service in Atlanta, GA.

Where can I get more information?

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This fact sheet answers the most frequently asked health questions (FAQs) about xylene. For more information, call the ATSDR Information Center at 1-800-232-4636. This fact sheet is one in a series of summaries about hazardous substances and their health effects. It is important you understand this information because this substance may harm you. The effects of exposure to any hazardous substance depend on the dose, the duration, how you are exposed, personal traits and habits, and whether other chemicals are present.

HIGHLIGHTS: Exposure to xylene occurs in the workplace and when you use paint, gasoline, paint thinners and other products that contain it. People who breathe high levels may have dizziness, confusion, and a change in their sense of balance. Xylene has been found in at least 840 of the 1,684 National Priority List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is xylene?

There are three forms of xylene in which the methyl groups vary on the benzene ring: *meta*-xylene, *ortho*-xylene, and *para*-xylene (*m*-, *o*-, and *p*-xylene). These different forms are referred to as isomers.

Xylene is a colorless, sweet-smelling liquid that catches on fire easily. It occurs naturally in petroleum and coal tar. Chemical industries produce xylene from petroleum. It is one of the top 30 chemicals produced in the United States in terms of volume.

Xylene is used as a solvent and in the printing, rubber, and leather industries. It is also used as a cleaning agent, a thinner for paint, and in paints and varnishes. It is found in small amounts in airplane fuel and gasoline.

What happens to xylene when it enters the environment?

- ☐ Xylene evaporates quickly from the soil and surface water into the air.
- ☐ In the air, it is broken down by sunlight into other less harmful chemicals in a couple of days.
- ☐ It is broken down by microorganisms in soil and water.
- ☐ Only a small amount of it builds up in fish, shellfish, plants, and other animals living in xylene-contaminated water.

How might I be exposed to xylene?

- ☐ Using a variety of consumer products including gasoline, paint varnish, shellac, rust preventatives, and cigarette smoke. Xylene can be absorbed through the respiratory tract and through the skin.
- ☐ Ingesting xylene-contaminated food or water, although these levels are likely to be very low.
- ☐ Working in a job that involves the use of xylene such as painters, paint industry workers, biomedical laboratory workers, automobile garage workers, metal workers, and furniture refinishers.

How can xylene affect my health?

No health effects have been noted at the background levels that people are exposed to on a daily basis.

High levels of exposure for short or long periods can cause headaches, lack of muscle coordination, dizziness, confusion, and changes in one's sense of balance. Exposure of people to high levels of xylene for short periods can also cause irritation of the skin, eyes, nose, and throat; difficulty in breathing; problems with the lungs; delayed reaction time; memory difficulties; stomach discomfort; and possibly changes in the liver and kidneys. It can cause unconsciousness and even death at very high levels.

ToxFAQs™ Internet address is <http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaq.html>

How likely is xylene to cause cancer?

Both the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) and the EPA have found that there is insufficient information to determine whether or not xylene is carcinogenic.

How can xylene affect children?

The effects of xylene have not been studied in children, but it is likely that they would be similar to those seen in exposed adults. Although there is no direct evidence, children may be more sensitive to acute inhalation exposure than adults because their narrower airways would be more sensitive to swelling effects.

Studies of unborn animals indicate that high concentrations of xylene may cause increased numbers of deaths, and delayed growth and development. In many instances, these same concentrations also cause damage to the mothers. We do not know if xylene harms the unborn child if the mother is exposed to low levels of xylene during pregnancy.

How can families reduce the risks of exposure to xylene?

- ☐ Exposure to xylene as solvents (in paints or gasoline) can be reduced if the products are used with adequate ventilation and if they are stored in tightly closed containers out of the reach of small children.
- ☐ Sometimes older children sniff household chemicals in attempt to get high. Talk with your children about the dangers of sniffing xylene.
- ☐ If products containing xylene are spilled on the skin, then the excess should be wiped off and the area cleaned with soap and water.

Is there a medical test to determine whether I've been exposed to xylene?

Laboratory tests can detect xylene or its breakdown products in exhaled air, blood, or urine. There is a high degree of agreement between the levels of exposure to xylene and the levels of xylene breakdown products in the urine. However, a urine sample must be provided very soon after exposure ends because xylene quickly leaves the body. These tests are not routinely available at your doctor's office because they require special equipment.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA set a limit of 10 parts xylene per million parts drinking water (10 ppm).

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set limits of 100 parts xylene per million parts of workplace air (100 ppm) for 8 hour shifts and 40 hour work weeks.

References

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR). 2007. Toxicological Profile for Xylene (Update). Atlanta, GA: U.S. Department of Public Health and Human Services, Public Health Service.

Where can I get more information? For more information, contact the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Division of Toxicology and Environmental Medicine, 1600 Clifton Road NE, Mailstop F-32, Atlanta, GA 30333. Phone: 1-800-232-4636, FAX: 770-488-4178. ToxFAQs Internet address via WWW is <http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaq.html>. ATSDR can tell you where to find occupational and environmental health clinics. Their specialists can recognize, evaluate, and treat illnesses resulting from exposure to hazardous substances. You can also contact your community or state health or environmental quality department if you have any more questions or concerns.



This fact sheet answers the most frequently asked health questions (FAQs) about zinc. For more information, call the ATSDR Information Center at 1-888-422-8737. This fact sheet is one in a series of summaries about hazardous substances and their health effects. It is important you understand this information because this substance may harm you. The effects of exposure to any hazardous substance depend on the dose, the duration, how you are exposed, personal traits and habits, and whether other chemicals are present.

HIGHLIGHTS: Zinc is a naturally occurring element. Exposure to high levels of zinc occurs mostly from eating food, drinking water, or breathing workplace air that is contaminated. Low levels of zinc are essential for maintaining good health. Exposure to large amounts of zinc can be harmful. It can cause stomach cramps, anemia, and changes in cholesterol levels. Zinc has been found in at least 985 of the 1,662 National Priority List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is zinc?

Zinc is one of the most common elements in the earth's crust. It is found in air, soil, and water, and is present in all foods. Pure zinc is a bluish-white shiny metal.

Zinc has many commercial uses as coatings to prevent rust, in dry cell batteries, and mixed with other metals to make alloys like brass, and bronze. A zinc and copper alloy is used to make pennies in the United States.

Zinc combines with other elements to form zinc compounds. Common zinc compounds found at hazardous waste sites include zinc chloride, zinc oxide, zinc sulfate, and zinc sulfide. Zinc compounds are widely used in industry to make paint, rubber, dyes, wood preservatives, and ointments.

What happens to zinc when it enters the environment?

- ☐ Some is released into the environment by natural processes, but most comes from human activities like mining, steel production, coal burning, and burning of waste.
- ☐ It attaches to soil, sediments, and dust particles in the air.
- ☐ Rain and snow remove zinc dust particles from the air.
- ☐ Depending on the type of soil, some zinc compounds can move into the groundwater and into lakes, streams, and rivers.
- ☐ Most of the zinc in soil stays bound to soil particles and

does not dissolve in water.

- ☐ It builds up in fish and other organisms, but it does not build up in plants.

How might I be exposed to zinc?

- ☐ Ingesting small amounts present in your food and water.
- ☐ Drinking contaminated water or a beverage that has been stored in metal containers or flows through pipes that have been coated with zinc to resist rust.
- ☐ Eating too many dietary supplements that contain zinc.
- ☐ Working on any of the following jobs: construction, painting, automobile mechanics, mining, smelting, and welding; manufacture of brass, bronze, or other zinc-containing alloys; manufacture of galvanized metals; and manufacture of machine parts, rubber, paint, linoleum, oilcloths, batteries, some kind of glass, ceramics, and dyes.

How can zinc affect my health?

Zinc is an essential element in our diet. Too little zinc can cause problems, but too much zinc is also harmful.

Harmful effects generally begin at levels 10-15 times higher than the amount needed for good health. Large doses taken by mouth even for a short time can cause stomach cramps, nausea, and vomiting. Taken longer, it can cause anemia and decrease the levels of your good cholesterol. We do not know if high levels of zinc affect reproduction in humans. Rats that were fed large amounts of zinc became infertile.

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Inhaling large amounts of zinc (as dusts or fumes) can cause a specific short-term disease called metal fume fever. We do not know the long-term effects of breathing high levels of zinc.

Putting low levels of zinc acetate and zinc chloride on the skin of rabbits, guinea pigs, and mice caused skin irritation. Skin irritation will probably occur in people.

How likely is zinc to cause cancer?

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) have not classified zinc for carcinogenicity. Based on incomplete information from human and animal studies, the EPA has determined that zinc is not classifiable as to its human carcinogenicity.

How can zinc affect children?

Zinc is essential for proper growth and development of young children. It is likely that children exposed to very high levels of zinc will have similar effects as adults. We do not know whether children are more susceptible to the effects of excessive intake of zinc than the adults.

We do not know if excess zinc can cause developmental effects in humans. Animal studies have found decreased weight in the offspring of animals that ingested very high amounts of zinc.

How can families reduce the risks of exposure to zinc?

- ☐ Children living near waste sites that contain zinc may be exposed to higher levels of zinc through breathing contaminated air, drinking contaminated drinking water, touching or eating contaminated soil.
- ☐ Discourage your children from eating soil or putting their hands in their mouths and teach them to wash their hands frequently and before eating.
- ☐ If you use medicines or vitamin supplements containing

zinc, make sure you use them appropriately and keep them out of the reach of children.

Is there a medical test to determine whether I've been exposed to zinc?

There are tests available to measure zinc in your blood, urine, hair, saliva, and feces. These tests are not usually done in the doctor's office because they require special equipment. High levels of zinc in the feces can mean high recent zinc exposure. High levels of zinc in the blood can mean high zinc consumption and/or high exposure. Tests to measure zinc in hair may provide information on long-term zinc exposure; however, the relationship between levels in your hair and the amount of zinc you were exposed to is not clear.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA recommends that drinking water should contain no more than 5 milligrams per liter of water (5 mg/L) because of taste. The EPA requires that any release of 1,000 pounds (or in some cases 5,000 pounds) into the environment be reported to the agency.

To protect workers, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set an average limit of 1 mg/m³ for zinc chloride fumes and 5 mg/m³ for zinc oxide (dusts and fumes) in workplace air during an 8-hour workday, 40-hour workweek.

Similarly, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) has set the same standards for up to a 10-hour workday over a 40-hour workweek.

References

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR). 2005. Toxicological Profile for Zinc (Update). Atlanta, GA: U.S. Department of Public Health and Human Services, Public Health Service.

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ATTACHMENT B
WEST NILE VIRUS/ST. LOUIS ENCEPHALITIS PREVENTION

WEST NILE VIRUS/ST. LOUIS ENCEPHALITIS PREVENTION

The following section is based upon information provided by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) Division of Vector-Borne Infectious Diseases. Symptoms of West Nile Virus include fever, headache, and body aches, occasionally with skin rash and swollen lymph glands, with most infections being mild. More severe infection may be marked by headache, high fever, neck stiffness, stupor, disorientation, coma, tremors, convulsions, muscle weakness, paralysis, and, rarely, death. Most infections of St. Louis encephalitis are mild without apparent symptoms other than fever with headache. More severe infection is marked by headache, high fever, neck stiffness, stupor, disorientation, coma, tremors, occasional convulsions (especially infants) and spastic (but rarely flaccid) paralysis. The only way to avoid infection of West Nile Virus and St. Louis Encephalitis is to avoid mosquito bites. To reduce the chance of mosquito contact:

- Stay indoors at dawn, dusk, and in the early evening.
- Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants whenever you are outdoors.
- Spray clothing with repellents containing permethrin or DEET (N, N-diethyl-meta-toluamide), since mosquitoes may bite through thin clothing.
- Apply insect repellent sparingly to exposed skin. An effective repellent will contain 35% DEET. DEET in high concentrations (greater than 35%) provides no additional protection.
- Repellents may irritate the eyes and mouth.
- Whenever you use an insecticide or insect repellent, be sure to read and follow the manufacturer's directions for use, as printed on the product.

ATTACHMENT C
REPORT FORMS

WEEKLY SAFETY REPORT FORM

Week Ending: _____ Project Name/Number: Jean's Place; BCP Site No. C224275

Report Date: _____ Project Manager Name: _____

Summary of any violations of procedures occurring that week:

Summary of any job related injuries, illnesses, or near misses that week:

Summary of air monitoring data that week (include and sample analyses, action levels exceeded, and actions taken):

Comments:

Name: _____ Company: _____

Signature: _____ Title: _____

INCIDENT REPORT FORM

Date of Report: _____

Injured: _____

Employer: _____

Site: Jean's Place; BCP Site No. C224275 Site Location: 485 Van Sinderen Avenue, Brooklyn, NY

Report Prepared By: _____
Signature Title

ACCIDENT/INCIDENT CATEGORY (check all that applies)

☐ Injury	☐ Illness	☐ Near Miss
☐ Property Damage	☐ Fire	☐ Chemical Exposure
☐ On-site Equipment	☐ Motor Vehicle	☐ Electrical
☐ Mechanical	☐ Spill	☐ Other

DATE AND TIME OF ACCIDENT/INCIDENT: Narrative report of accident/incident: Identify: 1) actions leading to or contributing to the accident/incident; 2) the accident/incident occurrence; and 3) actions following the accident/incident.

WITNESS TO ACCIDENT/INCIDENT:

Name: _____	Company: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
Phone No.: _____	Phone No.: _____
Name: _____	Company: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
Phone No.: _____	Phone No.: _____

INJURED - ILL:

Name: _____ SSN: _____

Address: _____ Age: _____

Length of Service: _____ Time on Present Job: _____

Time/Classification: _____

SEVERITY OF INJURY OR ILLNESS:

____ Disabling ____ Non-disabling ____ Fatality

____ Medical Treatment ____ First Aid Only

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF DAYS AWAY FROM JOB: _____**NATURE OF INJURY OR ILLNESS:** __________
_____**CLASSIFICATION OF INJURY:**

__ Abrasions	_____ Dislocations	_____ Punctures
__ Bites	_____ Faint/Dizziness	_____ Radiation Burns
__ Blisters	_____ Fractures	_____ Respiratory Allergy
__ Bruises	_____ Frostbite	_____ Sprains
__ Chemical Burns	_____ Heat Burns	_____ Toxic Resp. Exposure
__ Cold Exposure	_____ Heat Exhaustion	_____ Toxic Ingestion
__ Concussion	_____ Heat Stroke	_____ Dermal Allergy
__ Lacerations		

Part of Body Affected: _____

Degree of Disability: _____

Date Medical Care was Received: _____

Where Medical Care was Received: _____

Address (if off-site): _____

(If two or more injuries, record on separate sheets)

PROPERTY DAMAGE:

Description of Damage: _____

Cost of Damage: \$ _____

ACCIDENT/INCIDENT LOCATION: _____

ACCIDENT/INCIDENT ANALYSIS: Causative agent most directly related to accident/incident
(Object, substance, material, machinery, equipment, conditions)

Was weather a factor?: _____

Unsafe mechanical/physical/environmental condition at time of accident/incident (Be specific):

Personal factors (Attitude, knowledge or skill, reaction time, fatigue):

ON-SITE ACCIDENTS/INCIDENTS:

Level of personal protection equipment required in Site Safety Plan:

Modifications:

Was injured using required equipment?:

If not, how did actual equipment use differ from plan?:

ACTION TAKEN TO PREVENT RECURRENCE: (Be specific. What has or will be done? When will it be done? Who is the responsible party to insure that the correction is made?)

ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT REVIEWED BY:

SSO Name Printed

SSO Signature

OTHERS PARTICIPATING IN INVESTIGATION:

Signature

Title

Signature

Title

Signature

Title

ACCIDENT/INCIDENT FOLLOW-UP: Date: _____

Outcome of accident/incident: _____

Physician's recommendations: _____

Date injured returned to work: _____
Follow-up performed by: _____

Signature

Title

ATTACH ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO THIS FORM

ATTACHMENT D
EMERGENCY HAND SIGNALS

EMERGENCY SIGNALS

In most cases, field personnel will carry portable radios for communication. If this is the case, a transmission that indicates an emergency will take priority over all other transmissions. All other site radios will yield the frequency to the emergency transmissions.

Where radio communications is not available, the following air-horn and/or hand signals will be used:

EMERGENCY HAND SIGNALS

OUT OF AIR, CAN'T BREATHE!



Hand gripping throat

**LEAVE AREA IMMEDIATELY,
NO DEBATE!**

**(No Picture) Grip partner's wrist or place
both hands around waist**

NEED ASSISTANCE!



Hands on top of head

OKAY! – I'M ALL RIGHT!

- I UNDERSTAND!



Thumbs up

NO! - NEGATIVE!



Thumbs down

ATTACHMENT E
SUPPLEMENTAL REQUIREMENTS FOR COVID-19

**ON-SITE AND OFF-SITE PROCEDURES TO LIMIT CONTAMINATION AND
POTENTIAL SPREAD OF COVID-19**

Sources: [CDC - COVID-19 Spread and Prevention Information](#); [OSHA - Workplace Preparation](#)

[Guidance; CDC - Guidance on Extended Use/Limited Reuse of Respiratory Protection](#)

- 1) Maintain minimum 6-foot separation from others whenever possible (social distancing). The virus is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person, between people who are in close contact, through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes.
- 2) Wash your hands frequently with soap and water. Wash for at least 20 seconds and, if no soap is present, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- 3) Wear nitrile gloves whenever possible and be especially mindful of touching common surfaces.
- 4) Disinfect commonly touched surfaces frequently, and items frequently used in public immediately upon returning home.
- 5) Face Coverings and Masks:
 - a) On-site: Wear a cloth face covering or mask at all times when there is no issue with maintaining social distancing. N95/KN95 masks or respirators should be reserved for situations where social distancing on-site is difficult or impossible. Appropriate circumstances for donning an N95/KN95 mask or respirator on-site include, but are not necessarily limited to, going inside the Site trailer; and/or entering, exiting, or traversing the Site if proper social distancing cannot be achieved. This tiered approach will help maintain the supply of N95/KN95 masks so they are available for the highest risk scenarios.
 - b) Off-site During Work-related Commute: The CDC now recommends wearing cloth face coverings in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/cloth-face-cover.html>). A mask or cloth face covering should be worn during your commute to and from the site if you are unable to achieve proper social distancing. Appropriate times to wear a mask or cloth face covering include, but are not necessarily limited to, walking on crowded sidewalks, traveling in a shared vehicle, and/or if you are required to enter an occupied indoor space to acquire supplies for the site.
- 6) Wear safety glasses or goggles at all times while on-site and some form of eye covering (e.g., sunglasses, prescription and non-prescription glasses, or safety glasses) should be considered when commuting.
- 7) Avoid touching your face (eyes, nose, and mouth).
- 8) Cover your nose and mouth when coughing, sneezing, etc./ cough into elbow.
- 9) Do not spit.
- 10) Try to take your temperature regularly.
- 11) Talk to your supervisor if you, your friends or family members that you live with or spend time with have displayed symptoms of COVID-19, tested positive, or are afflicted with even the common cold/flu.
- 12) Talk to your supervisor if anyone you know at the site tested positive for the COVID-19.
- 13) Follow any additional health & safety protocols required at the site or elsewhere.