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

### **FACT SHEET**

**Brownfield Cleanup Program** 

37 Otsego Street 37 Otsego Street Brooklyn, NY 11231

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SITE No. C224300 NYSDEC REGION 2

# Report Recommends Cleanup of Brownfield Site Contamination

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) is reviewing the Remedial Investigation Report for the 37 Otsego Street site ("site") located at 37 Otsego Street, Brooklyn, NY. Please see the map for the site location.

**Remedial Investigation Report:** The Remedial Investigation Report (RIR) describes the results of the site investigation and recommends development of a remedy to address the contamination that was found. The RIR was submitted by Columbia SF LLC ("applicant").

- Access the RIR and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224300/.
- The documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information."

**Highlights of the Remedial Investigation Report:** Petroleum-related Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and metals were found in subsurface soils at concentrations above use-specific soil cleanup objectives (SCOs). The VOCs, PAHs and metals are present at depths of up to 10-16 feet below grade and are likely the result of past site uses and historic fill, which is present throughout the site.

Petroleum related VOCs, PAHs and metals were also detected in on-site groundwater. Petroleum-related VOCs as well as the chlorinated VOCs tetrachloroethylene (PCE) and trichloroethene (TCE) were detected in soil vapor samples collected from the site.

**Next Steps:** NYSDEC will complete its review, make any necessary revisions and, if appropriate, approve the investigation report. The approved report will be made available to the public (see "Where to Find Information" at left). The applicant(s) may then develop a cleanup plan, called a "Remedial Work Plan." This plan describes how contamination will be addressed, with NYSDEC and NYSDOH overseeing the work. NYSDEC will present the draft cleanup plan to the public for its review and comment during a 45-day comment period. NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

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Site Description: The site is in a mixed use residential/commercial section of Red Hook, Brooklyn. The site is bordered by Lorraine Street to the north, Columbia Street to the east, Creamer Street to the south and Otsego Street to the west and is identified as Block 579, Lot 1 on the NYC Tax map. The site's area is 2.30 acres. Site use began circa 1904 and historic uses of the site included a machine shop, iron works, metal forging, and a printing facility. Current site features include a vacant former multi-tenant one-story commercial building, and an asphalt-paved parking lot.

The planned redevelopment of the Site is not yet finalized; preliminary plans being evaluated include a mixed use residential, community, and retail development with a below grade parking facility.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C224300) at:

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

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other uses. A brownfield site is any real property where a contaminant is present at levels exceeding the SCOs or other health-based or environmental standards, criteria or guidance adopted by NYSDEC that are applicable based on the reasonably anticipated use of the property, in accordance with applicable regulations.

For more information about the BCP, visit: <a href="https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html">https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html</a>

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### **DECinfo Locator**

Interactive map to access DEC documents and public data about the environmental quality of specific sites:

https://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/109457.html

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### **Site Location**



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