# Flushing Industrial Park, Parcel 3

## Tax Block 5066, Portions of Lots 1 and 100

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#### **CERTIFICATIONS**

I, Michelle Lapin, am currently a registered professional engineer licensed by the State of New York. I had primary direct responsibility for implementation of the remedial program for Flushing Industrial Park, Parcel 3 (NYSDEC BCA Index No. W2-1029-04-10, Site No. C241079).

I certify that the Parcel description presented in this FER is identical to the Parcel descriptions presented in the Environmental Easement, the Site Management Plan, and the Brownfield Cleanup Agreement for Flushing Industrial Park, Parcel 3 and related amendments.

I certify that the following Remedial Action Work Plan documents approved by the NYSDEC were implemented and that all requirements in those documents have been substantively complied with:

- 1. Revised Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan September 2005;
- 2. Addendum Items for Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan September 15, 2005;
- 3. Revised Health and Safety Plan September 2005;
- 4. Modification No. 1 to Revised Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan December 14, 2005;
- 5. Clarification of Modification No. 1 to Revised Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan January 11, 2006;
- 6. Modification No. 2 to Revised Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan January 11, 2006;
- 7. Modification No. 3 to Revised Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan February 7, 2006;
- 8. Modification No. 4 to Revised Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan April 19, 2006;
- 9. Modification No. 5 to the Revised Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan May 2, 2006;
- 10. Remedial Action Work Plan February 2006;
- 11. Stipulation List for the Remedial Action Work Plan June 14, 2006; and
- 12. Modification No. 1 to the Revised Remedial Action Work Plan September 19, 2007.

The data submitted to NYSDEC demonstrates that the remediation requirements set forth in the Remedial Action Work Plan and any other relevant provisions of ECL 27-1419 have been or will be achieved in accordance with the time frames, if any, established in the work plan.

I certify that the remedial activities were observed by qualified environmental professionals under my supervision and that the remediation requirements set forth in the Remedial Action Work Plan and any other relevant provisions of ECL 27-1419 have been achieved.

I certify that all use restrictions, Institutional Controls, Engineering Controls, and all operation and maintenance requirements applicable to Parcel 3 are contained in an Environmental Easement created and recorded pursuant ECL 71-3605 and that all affected local governments, as defined in ECL 71-3603, have been notified that such Easement has been recorded. A Site Management Plan has been submitted by the Applicant for the continual and proper operation, maintenance, and monitoring of all Engineering Controls employed on Parcel 3, including the proper maintenance of all remaining monitoring wells, and that such plan has been approved by NYSDEC.

Any financial assurance mechanisms required by NYSDEC pursuant to ECL 27-1419 have been executed.

I certify that all export of contaminated soil, fill, water or other material from the property was performed in accordance with the Remedial Action Work Plan, and were taken to facilities licensed to accept this material in full compliance with all Federal, State and local laws.

I certify that all import of soils from off-site, including source approval and sampling, has been performed in a manner that is consistent with the methodology defined in the Remedial Action Work Plan.

I certify that all invasive work during the remediation and all invasive development work were conducted in accordance with dust and odor suppression methodology and soil screening methodology defined in the Remedial Action Work Plan.

I certify that all information and statements in this certification are true. I understand that a false statement made herein is punishable as Class "A" misdemeanor, pursuant to Section 210.45 of the Penal Law.

NYS Professional Engineer #073934-1 Date

Signature

It is a violation of Article 130 of New York State Education Law for any person to alter this document in any way without the express written verification of adoption by any New York State licensed engineer in accordance with Section 7209(2), Article 130, New York State Education Law.

#### LIST OF ACRONYMS

<u>Acronym</u> <u>Definition</u>

AKRF Engineering, P.C.

ASP Analytical Services Protocol
AST Aboveground storage tank

BCA Brownfield Cleanup Agreement
BCP Brownfield Cleanup Program
C/D Construction and Demolition

CAMP Community Air Monitoring Plan

COC Certificate of Completion

DER Division of Environmental Remediation (of NYSDEC)

DNAPL Dense non-aqueous phase liquid
DOT Department of Transportation

DSHM Division of Solid & Hazardous Materials

EC Engineering Control

ECL Environmental Conservation Law

ELAP Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Procedure

EM Electromagnetic

EPA United States Environmental Protection Agency

FER Final Engineering Report

GA Class of Ambient Water Quality Standard and Guidance Values for Protection of

Drinking Water under TOGS 1.1.1

GPR Ground penetrating radar

IC Institutional Control

IRMWP Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan

LNAPL Light non-aqueous phase liquid

mg/m<sup>3</sup> Milligrams per cubic meter

MW Monitoring well

NAPL Non-aqueous phase liquid

NYCRR New York Codes, Rules and Regulations

NYS New York State

NYSDEC New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

NYSDOH New York State Department of Health

NYSDOT New York State Department of Transportation

OU Operable unit

PCBs Polychlorinated biphenyls
PID Photoionization detector

ppb Parts per billion ppm Parts per million

QA/QC Quality assurance / quality control

RAWP Remedial Action Work Plan
RMZ Residuals Management Zone

RSCO Recommended Soil Cleanup Objective

SCO Soil Cleanup Objective

SESI Consulting Engineers, P.C.

SoMP Soil Management Plan
SMP Site Management Plan

SPDES State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

SSAL Site-Specific Action Level

STARS Spill Technology and Remediation Series

STL Severn Trent Laboratories, Inc.
SVOC Semivolatile organic compound

SWPPP Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan

TAG Technical Assistance Grant

TAGM Technical and Administrative Guidance Memorandum

TAL Target Analyte List

TOGS Technical and Operational Guidance Series

TCL Target Compound List

TCLP Toxicity characteristic leaching potential

UST Underground storage tank
μg/m³ Micrograms per cubic meter
VCA Voluntary Cleanup Agreement
VOC Volatile organic compound

Volunteer All Volunteers included in the Brownfield Cleanup Agreement: C.E. Flushing, LLC;

Flushing Town Center III, L.P.; Allied Flushing Corporation; FTC East Retail Company, L.P.; FTC West Retail Company, L.P.; FTC Residential Company I, L.P.; FTC Residential Company II, L.P.; and AFC2, LLC.

#### 1.0 BACKGROUND

This Final Engineering Report (FER) was prepared to document remedial activities at Flushing Industrial Park, Parcel 3 under the Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). Parcel 3 is a 0.88-acre portion of an approximately 13.6-acre Property located on the northwestern corner of College Point Boulevard and 40<sup>th</sup> Road, in Flushing, Queens, New York (Figure 1). The Property consists of Flushing Industrial Park (Eastern), Parcel 1 (BCP Site No. C241051); Flushing Industrial Park (Western), Parcel 2 (BCP Site No. C241078); Flushing Industrial Park (Western Waterfront), Parcel 3 (BCP Site No. C241079); and Flushing Industrial Park (Flushing River), Parcel 4 (BCP Site No. C241080). Figure 2 depicts the Parcel layout with a reference grid used in describing specific locations of an activity. This FER was prepared for Parcel 3; however, the remediation and planned development of this Parcel were tied to the Property as a whole. As such, Property-wide information is provided where appropriate.

In 2001, C.E. Flushing, LLC entered into a Voluntary Cleanup Agreement with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) with regard to the Property. By letter dated April 2, 2004, the Volunteer applied for transition from the Voluntary Cleanup Program to the BCP for completion of the remedial program for the Property. In December 2004, the Volunteer entered into four separate Brownfield Cleanup Agreements (BCAs) with the NYSDEC for each of four Parcels – each one generally matching the former operable unit (OU). The remediation of Parcel 3 was performed in accordance with BCA Index #W2-1029-04-10, Site #C241079 which was issued on December 23, 2004, and amended on June 14, 2005 and April 27, 2007. Commercial and residential uses are proposed for the Property. The Volunteers under the Parcel 3 BCA include: C.E. Flushing, LLC, Flushing Town Center III, L.P., Allied Flushing Corporation, FTC East Retail Company, L.P., FTC West Retail Company, L.P., FTC Residential Company III, L.P., and AFC2, LLC. When completed, the Property will contain retail and parking structures, residential structures and a waterfront esplanade. Refer to the BCP application for additional details.

A digital copy of this FER with all project documents approved under the BCP is included in Appendix A.

#### 1.1 SITE LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

Parcel 3 is located in the County of Queens, New York and is currently identified as Block 5066, portions of Lots 1 and 100 on the Queens Tax Map. A United States Geological Survey (USGS) topographical quadrangle map attached as Figure 1 shows the Property location. Parcel 3 is bounded by Roosevelt Avenue to the north, 40th Road to the south, Parcel 2 to the east, and Parcel 4 and the Flushing River to the west (see Figure 2). The boundary map included in the BCA as required by Environmental Conservation Law (ECL) Title 14 Section 27-1419 is included in Appendix B. The Parcel is fully described in Appendix B – Metes and Bounds. Latitude and longitude coordinates for the starting point are included.

#### 1.2 CONTEMPLATED REDEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Remedial Action performed under the Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan (IRMWP) and Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP) has made Parcel 3 protective of human health and the environment to standards consistent with the contemplated end use. The proposed redevelopment plan for the Property consists of commercial and residential use for Parcels 1 and 2, and a waterfront esplanade consisting of both landscaped and paved areas with upland connections on Parcel 3. Parcel 4 is land under water; therefore, no development is planned on this Parcel. The retail and parking structures will occupy a majority of Parcels 1 and 2 on the first three floors of the development, with residential towers (potentially including office space and/or community facilities) above these structures starting at the fifth floor. The eastern two-thirds of the

development will consist of open or actively vented garage space on the ground floor level. The redevelopment plan is depicted in Figure 3.

#### 1.3 DESCRIPTION OF SURROUNDING PROPERTY

The Property is in a mixed-use residential, commercial and industrial area of Queens. A Land Use Map is provided as Figure 4.

The nearest residential areas are located directly east and south of the Property, across College Point Boulevard and 40<sup>th</sup> Road, respectively. The residential complex across College Point Boulevard to the east also includes a day care center. The nearest public open space is Flushing Meadows, approximately 300 feet south of the southern Property boundary. Three schools are located between ½-mile and ½-mile of the Property.

The nearest environmental receptor is a tidal portion of the Flushing River, which is west-adjacent to portions of Parcel 3. Groundwater in this portion of Queens is not used for potable supply.

# 2.0 REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION FINDINGS AND REMEDIAL ACTION ASSESSMENT

The remedial investigation was conducted between 1989 and 2005. Initial investigation activities were performed in 1989 and 1999, prior to participation in the VCP. Parcel 3 was investigated further in accordance with the scope of work presented in the following NYSDEC-approved Remedial Investigation (RI) Work Plans:

- AKRF Engineering, P.C. (AKRF); Revised Sampling Workplan II, dated February 16, 2001;
- AKRF; Revised OU-1: Remedial Action Work Plan and Supplemental Investigation Work Plan, dated August 2003 (ROU-1: RAWP & SIWP);
- AKRF; Revised Supplemental Remedial Investigation Work Plan, July 11, 2005 (Supplemental RIWP); and
- AKRF; Addendum to Supplemental Remedial Investigation Work Plan, July 27, 2005.

The results of the Parcel 3 RI were submitted to NYSDEC in the following documents:

- SESI Consulting Engineers, P.C. (SESI); *Environmental Engineering Report*, dated June 8, 1989 (provided as an Appendix to the Voluntary Cleanup Program Application);
- AKRF; *Results of Soil Testing*, dated December 30, 1999 (provided as an Appendix to the Voluntary Cleanup Program Application);
- AKRF; Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study and OU-1 Remedial Work Plan, dated September 2001 (RI/FS);
- AKRF; Revised Remedial Investigation Report, dated October 2004 (RIR);
- AKRF; Revised Supplemental Investigation Task Report No. 1, Parcel 1 Soil Study and Parcels 1, 2 and 3 Groundwater Study, dated October 2004 (SITR No. 1);
- AKRF; Interim Remedial Measure Progress Report, dated March 25, 2005; and
- AKRF; Supplemental Remedial Investigation Report, dated April 2006 (Supplemental RIR).

Parcel 3 was declared to be a significant threat site by NYSDEC and New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH).

Below is a summary of Remedial Investigation findings.

#### 2.1 SUMMARY OF REMEDIAL INVESTIGATIONS

Multiple investigations have been performed on the Property to identify and further evaluate soil and groundwater contamination. The remedial investigation of the Property (which included Parcel 3) included the following activities:

- A subsurface investigation performed by SESI consisted of the installation and sampling of four soil borings and four groundwater monitoring wells on the Property. Results of this investigation were presented in a report entitled *Environmental Engineering Report*, Former Consolidated Edison Facility, College Point Blvd. and 40<sup>th</sup> Road, Queens, New York, dated June 8, 1989.
- A subsurface investigation performed by AKRF, Inc. consisted of the installation and sampling of 25 soil borings across the property. Results of this investigation were presented

in a report entitled *Results of Soil Testing – Former Con Edison Facility*, College Point Boulevard and 40<sup>th</sup> Road, Flushing, New York, dated December 30, 1999.

- A subsurface investigation performed by AKRF consisted of the installation and sampling of 17 soil borings and 12 groundwater monitoring wells on the property. Two of the previously installed monitoring wells, surface soil from beneath the Main Building, and contents of water and sludge from three aboveground storage tanks (ASTs) were also sampled. Results of this investigation were presented in the RI/FS report dated September 2001.
- A groundwater study consisting of sampling each of the Property monitoring wells, performing a 24-hour tidal survey, and performing rising head and falling head slug tests was performed in April and May 2004 as part of the ROU-1: RAWP & SIWP. Results of this groundwater study are presented in SITR No. 1.
- A geophysical survey of Parcels 1, 2 and 3 of the property and a delineation soil study consisting of 412 borings on Parcels 2 and 3 was performed in October 2004 to March 2005.
   A summary of the findings of the delineation sampling and a geophysical survey were provided in the IRM Progress Report and the Supplemental RIR.
- A groundwater study consisting of installing and sampling nine additional monitoring wells on Parcels 2 and 3 of the Property between February and August 2005 as part of the Supplemental Investigation. Results of this groundwater study are presented in the Supplemental RIR.

#### 2.1.1 Borings and Wells

The remedial investigation on Parcel 3 initially identified 12 hotspots (i.e., locations where soil sample concentrations exceeded one or more of the Site-Specific Action Levels (SSALs)). From October 2004 to April 2005, the vertical and horizontal limits of the hotspots were determined prior to remediation by delineation borings. Given the widespread nature of PCB concentrations across Parcels 2 and 3, the remedial approach was adjusted to require excavation of all soils to the water table, at a minimum, and thus it was not necessary to complete delineation for all hotspots. The remedial investigation on Parcel 3 included 111 soil borings completed between 1989 and 2005. Groundwater investigation of the Property consisted of 13 monitoring wells on Parcel 3, part of a network of 36 monitoring wells Property-wide. Four of the monitoring wells on Parcel 3 were deeper piezometers installed to assess for potential dense nonaqueous phase liquid (DNAPL) and to assess the vertical hydraulic gradient beneath the Property.

#### 2.1.2 Samples Collected

#### 2.1.2.1 Soil Samples

The initial remedial investigation consisted of soil samples analyzed for the broader suite of parameters, typically Target Compound List (TCL) volatile organic compounds (VOCs), TCL base-neutral (BN) semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) (or total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH)), polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), pesticides, and Target Analyte List (TAL) metals. Additional samples were analyzed only for specific contaminants of concern (typically PCBs, or other parameters identified at concentrations greater than the SSAL). Of the 111 investigation and delineation soil borings completed on Parcel 3, 228 soil samples were submitted for one or more of the following laboratory analyses:

• 26 samples for analysis of VOCs;

- 27 samples for analysis of SVOCs;
- 211 samples for analysis of PCBs;
- 31 samples for analysis of pesticides;
- 32 samples for analysis of arsenic;
- 21 samples for analysis of cadmium;
- 29 samples for analysis of lead;
- 44 samples for analysis of mercury; and
- 21 samples for analysis of silver.

#### 2.1.2.2 Groundwater Samples

Two rounds of groundwater sampling were completed as part of the remedial investigation in May 2004 and August 2005. Groundwater samples were analyzed for TCL VOCs using Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Method 8260, TCL SVOCs using EPA Method 8270 (base neutral (BN) compounds only), PCBs (both total and filtered) using EPA Method 8081, pesticides using EPA Method 8082, and TAL metals (both total and filtered) using EPA Methods 6000/7000 Series. Groundwater samples were also analyzed for the additional, non-redundant, parameters set forth under "Routine Parameters" in the Water Quality Analysis Tables of 6 New York Code, Rules and Regulations (NYCRR) Part 360-2.11.

#### 2.1.3 Drainage Structure Investigation

Catch basin locations on Parcel 3 were surveyed, and maps from private and city records were used to assess the piping locations. The discharge locations of the catch basins were identified to the extent practicable.

#### 2.1.4 Geophysical Survey

A geophysical survey was completed across the entirety of the outdoor areas of Parcel 3 using a combination of an electromagnetic (EM) locator and ground penetrating radar (GPR). The geophysical survey was conducted in a grid pattern on 5-foot to 8-foot transects with all anomalies traced to their termination or the Property boundary. The locations of the geophysical anomalies were painted on the ground surface and subsequently surveyed and mapped to facilitate investigation during remediation excavation.

#### 2.1.5 Documentation

Soil and groundwater sample locations are depicted on Figure 5. The red, blue, and green color-coding of the borings depicts the status of the most contaminated interval analyzed; red indicates hazardous waste levels of contaminants, blue indicates contamination at levels greater than SSALs but non-hazardous, and green indicates contaminant concentrations below the SSALs. Remedial investigation soil laboratory analytical results are summarized in Table 3. Concentrations in Table 3 are highlighted with similar color-coding, with pink highlighting instead of red used for legibility to represent the hazardous waste concentrations.

Summaries of well installation details and groundwater measurements are attached as Tables 1 and 2. Pre-remediation groundwater analytical results are presented in Tables

4a to 4h. The groundwater concentrations that exceeded the Class GA standards during the most recent pre-remediation sampling event are shown on Figures 6a and 6b.

The sewer lines, drainage structures and former tanks are shown on Figure 7.

The geophysical anomalies are depicted on Figure 8.

Complete laboratory analytical reports with Analytical Services Protocol (ASP) Category B data packages are provided on a DVD in Appendix C.

Results of the remedial investigation are summarized in Section 2.5.

#### 2.2 SIGNIFICANT THREAT

The NYSDEC and NYSDOH determined that Parcel 3 posed a significant threat to human health and the environment. Notice of that determination was provided for public review. The notice is included in Appendix D.

#### 2.3 SITE HISTORY

The Property history was based on historical maps from 1859 to 1995, historical aerial photographs from 1954 to 1994 and information provided by Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (Con Edison) regarding their former facility, which operated on the Property from approximately 1923 through 1989.

#### 2.3.1 Past Uses and Ownership

Much of the Property and vicinity was originally tidal marshlands. Filling of the wetlands and development of the area began in the late-19th century. By 1905, several dwellings were constructed on the southern side of the Property, along 40<sup>th</sup> Road. The majority of the Property served as a plumbing supply store circa 1917. New York & Oueens Electric Light & Power Company (the precursor to Con Edison) purchased the majority of the Property from Remington Typewriter in 1923, and continued to acquire much of the remainder of the subject block (which then consisted of row houses in the southeastern portion of the Property) in the 1950s. Con Edison reportedly used the facility for the storage and maintenance of equipment (including PCB-containing transformers), for personnel training, for the storage and servicing vehicles, and for offices. C.E. Flushing Co. purchased a majority of the Property in 1989 (Lot 79 was acquired in September 2005) and leased it to various tenants primarily for light manufacturing of clothing (sewing, etc.) in the Main Building and automobile parking on the paved portion of the Property. A one-story building on the southern portion of Parcel 1 was used for automobile repair from at least 1980 to 2006. The Property was largely vacated in 2005, with automobile repair continuing in one building until 2006. All buildings on the Property were demolished in 2006 as part of remediation and development activities.

Historically, Parcel 3 of the Property has contained a transformer, paint spraying area, two 275-gallon fuel oil aboveground storage tanks (ASTs) and four 4,000-gallon transformer oil ASTs.

#### 2.3.2 Sanborn Maps

Historical Sanborn maps from 1905, 1917, 1934, 1951, 1980, 1982, 1988, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, and 1995 available for Parcel 3 and the remainder of the Property were reviewed prior to preparation of the RAWP. The 1905 Sanborn Map depicts a majority of the Property as vacant land, except for several dwellings on the southern side of Parcel

1. The 1917 Sanborn Map indicated the Main Building, the eastern portion of the Garage Building, the Bulkhead Building, a series of single-family dwellings along the southern portion of Parcel 1, and a storage shed on the western portion of Parcel 2. The building layout was similar on the 1934 Sanborn Map; however, the storage shed was demolished and the Garage Building was expanded. The 1951 Sanborn Map indicated a warehouse building in the southwestern corner of Parcels 2 and 3; this building was demolished by the 1980 map. The 1980 Sanborn Map indicated that all of the single-family dwellings except one had been demolished from the southern boundary of Parcel 1, and an autorepair shop was mapped in their place. Sanborn Maps from 1982 to 1991 did not indicate any significant changes to the Property. On the 1992 Sanborn Map, the remaining dwelling was demolished. There were no additional significant changes to the Property on the 1993, 1994, and 1995 maps.

The 1934 to 1995 maps indicated two gasoline tanks northwest of the Garage Building, one gasoline tank west of the Main Building, 4 oil tanks on the north side of Parcels 2 and 3, and a paint storage shed and boiler room on the eastern side of Parcel 2. Railroad tracks were shown across Parcels 1, 2 and 3 on the maps from 1917 to 1995.

Historical aerial photographs from 1954, 1975, 1984, and 1994 were also reviewed. The aerial photographs indicate the building layout similar to the Sanborn Maps. On the 1975, 1984 and 1994 photographs, rows of vehicle or equipment staging are shown on the western side of Parcel 2.

#### 2.4 GEOLOGICAL CONDITIONS

At the time of the remedial investigations, the ground surface elevation of outdoor portions of Parcel 3 generally varied from +5.1 to +6.8 feet. The elevations for the project are referenced to Queens Borough Datum (2.725 feet above mean sea level).

The remedial investigation included over 111 soil borings and 13 groundwater monitoring wells installed on Parcel 3 between 1989 and 2005. Results from the remedial and geotechnical investigations indicated that the top 6 to 17 feet of soil on Parcel 3 consisted of miscellaneous fill. The fill was variable, ranging from silty clay to sand with anthropogenic materials including brick, ash and cinders. This fill was underlain by a layer of old river deposits consisting of organic clayey silt and peat, as thick as 40 feet adjacent to the Flushing River. A 10 to 40 foot thick layer of sand, containing varying amounts of fine silt and gravel, was found below the organic layer in the northern and western portions of Parcel 3. In the southern portion, the organic layer was underlain by a 5 to 25 foot thick layer of soft clay containing varying amounts of silt and sand. A layer of stiffer clay and clayey silt was encountered beneath the sand and softer clay layers at depths of 55 to 100 feet below grade. Occasional layers or sand, gravel, cobbles and boulders were interspersed in the clayey strata. A pre-remediation geologic cross-section of the Property is shown in Figure 9.

Based on water level measurements in the former Property monitoring wells, pre-remediation groundwater elevations on Parcel 3 were generally from elevation -0.3 to +2.5 feet. Groundwater elevations for both pre-remediation and post-remediation monitoring wells are included in Tables 1 and 2, respectively. In general, the direction of groundwater flow on Parcel 3 is to the west and appeared to be tidally influenced.

A 24-hour tidal survey was conducted in May 2004 to assess the fluctuations in the water table over the tidal cycle. During the tidal study, the extrapolated water table elevations on Parcel 3 varied from about elevation -0.3 feet to +1.4 feet. The maximum variation in groundwater elevations on Parcel 3 over the 24-hour period was about 1.5 feet.

As part of remediation, interlocking bulkhead sheeting was installed at the boundary of Parcels 3 and 4 and additional sheeting to assist with dewatering in the MW-5 hotspot area and for potential flood control purposes was installed along segments of the western and southern Property boundaries. This sheeting appears to be limiting the tidal influence on the Property, based on measurements in monitoring wells installed after remediation excavation. Post-remediation water levels continue to fluctuate, likely due in part to continued construction excavation and dewatering. Post-remediation groundwater flow will be assessed in the future under the Site Management Plan. Groundwater elevations for both pre-remediation and post-remediation monitoring wells are included in Tables 1 and 2, respectively. The pre-remediation groundwater flow map based on average elevations measured on September 16, 2005 is shown in Figure 10.

#### 2.5 CONTAMINATION CONDITIONS

#### 2.5.1 Conceptual Model of Site Contamination

The soil and groundwater contamination identified on Parcel 3 appeared to be related to a combination of factors, including spills/leaks from storage and repairs of equipment (including numerous electrical transformers which were likely PCB-containing) and vehicles above grade, spills/leaks from historic aboveground and underground storage tanks, transport of contaminants by the tidally influenced water table, and some components in historic fill.

#### 2.5.2 Description of Areas of Concern

General areas of concern identified on Parcel 2 included:

- ASTs located inside the former Bulkhead Building and on the northern end of Parcel 3;
- Former automobile, equipment and transformer storage and repair across Parcel 3;
- Historic fill located across Parcel 3; and
- Railroad tracks located in the southern portion of Parcel 3.

The Remedial Investigation included investigation of each of these areas of concern as discussed in Sections 2.5.4 to 2.5.9. Given the widespread nature of PCB concentrations across Parcels 3, the remedial approach was altered to consist of full excavation of outdoor portions of Parcel 3, and the excavation of discrete hotspots beneath the former buildings.

#### 2.5.3 Identification of Standards, Criteria and Guidance

As the remedial investigation and remedial action extended over a 15-year time-frame, several Standards, Criteria and Guidance (SCG) documents were being developed concurrent with activities on Parcel 3. The SCG applied to Parcel 3 during remedial investigation and remedial action phases consisted of the appropriate regulatory documents and accepted industry practice at the time the work was completed. In general, the SCGs for remediation of Parcel 3 included the following:

• The following SSALs were developed in consultation with NYSDEC and NYSDOH for the protection of human health and the environment, considering the contemplated use and anticipated institutional and engineering controls. The SSALs were used for assessing areas of soil contamination to be remediated (concentration greater than SSALs) and for assessing on-site material for reuse as backfill (concentrations less than SSALs).

**Soil Site-Specific Action Levels** 

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•	Parameter	Criterion
	Individual VOCs	TAGM 4046 RSCO
	Total SVOCs	100 ppm
	Total PCBs	10 ppm
	Individual Pesticides	1 ppm or TAGM 4046 RSCO, if higher
	Arsenic	24 ppm
	Cadmium	10 ppm
	Lead	500 ppm
Mercury Silver		4 ppm
		100 ppm
	Cyanide	Hazardous Waste Reactivity Criterion
Notes: TAGM 4046 RSCO – Technical and Administrative Guidance Memorandum #4046 Recommended Soil Cleanup Objectives, January 24, 1994.		
	ppm – parts per million	

- Technical and Administrative Guidance Memorandum (TAGM) #4046 Recommended Soil Cleanup Objectives (RSCOs), January 24, 1994, were used for assessing material for import as backfill prior to July 2007.
- Class GA Standards and Guidelines Values contained in NYSDEC Technical and Operational Guidance Series (TOGS) 1.1.1, Ambient Water Quality Handling, Guidance Values and Groundwater Effluent Limitations – June 1998 with Addenda and Errata Sheets through June 2004 were used for assessing groundwater concentrations.
- NYSDEC Draft Division of Environmental Remediation (DER)-10 Technical Guidance for Site Investigation and Remediation, December 2002, was used as a guidance document in completing the remedial investigation and in preparing the RAWP.
- NYSDEC Draft Brownfield Cleanup Program Guide, May 2004, was applied for IRM and remedial action phases, including citizen participation and reporting.
- Waste management, hauling and disposal were performed in accordance with New York State (NYS) Solid Waste Regulations under 6 NYCRR Part 360 and Part 364.

#### 2.5.4 Soil/Fill Contamination

The remedial investigation on Parcel 3 initially identified 12 hotspots (i.e., locations where soil sample concentrations exceeded one or more of the SSALs). From October 2004 to April 2005, the vertical and horizontal limits of the hotspots were determined prior to remediation by delineation borings. Given the widespread nature of PCB concentrations across Parcels 2 and 3, the remedial approach was adjusted and soil removal was expanded in lieu of further delineation.

Laboratory analytical results for remedial investigation soil samples collected on Parcel 3 are provided in Table 3 and the sample locations are depicted on Figure 5. The SSALs, are also shown on Table 3 for reference. Concentrations in Table 3 are color-coded—pink indicates hazardous waste levels of contaminants, blue indicates contamination at levels greater than SSALs but non-hazardous waste, and green indicates soils levels of contaminant concentrations below the SSALs. The borings on Figure 5 are similarly

color-coded based on the most contaminated interval analyzed in each boring, except that hazardous waste levels are depicted in red.

Although 6 NYCRR Part 375 Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) were not developed until after remedial excavation of Parcel 3, Table 3 also shows Part 375 Track 1 Unrestricted Use SCOs and Restricted-Residential Use SCOs for reference.

Exceedances of the soil SSALs were identified on Parcel 3 during the remedial investigation for the following parameters:

- VOCs (acetone, benzene, sec-butylbenzene, chlorobenzene, ethylbenzene, methylene, chloride, naphthalene, xylenes) The maximum VOC level detected on Parcel 3 during the remedial investigation was a concentration of 6.6 parts per million (ppm) for chlorobenzene.
- SVOCs The maximum total SVOC concentration detected on Parcel 3 during the remedial investigation was 851.4 ppm.
- PCBs The maximum PCB concentration detected on Parcel 3 during the remedial investigation was 1,900 ppm.
- Pesticides (delta-BHC, dieldrin, endosulfan sulfate, endrin, 4,4-DDD, 4,4-DDT) The maximum pesticide level detected on Parcel 3 during the remedial investigation was a concentration of 8.1 ppm for 4,4-DDD.
- Arsenic The maximum arsenic concentration detected on Parcel 3 during the remedial investigation was 78 ppm.
- Lead The maximum lead concentration detected on Parcel 3 during the remedial investigation was 7,100 ppm.
- Mercury The maximum mercury concentration detected on Parcel 3 during the remedial investigation was 15.7 ppm.

The exceedances of SSALs appeared to be related to a combination of factors, including spills/leaks from ASTs, spills/leaks from storage and repairs of equipment and vehicles above grade, transport of contaminants by the tidally influenced water table, and components in historic fill.

#### 2.5.5 On-Site and Off-Site Groundwater Contamination

Two pre-remediation groundwater sampling events were conducted on the Property in April 2004 and August 2005. All monitoring wells (with the exception of those where LNAPL was identified, see Section 2.5.6) were sampled for analysis of TCL VOCs, TCL BN SVOCs, PCBs (both total and dissolved), pesticides, TAL metals (both total and dissolved), and non-redundant 6NYCRR Part 360 parameters. The final pre-remediation groundwater sampling event (August 2005) remedial investigation sampling results on Parcel 3 compared to the Class GA standards are summarized as follows:

- Four VOCs (chlorobenzene, 1,4-dichlorobenzene, cis-1,2-dichloroethene, and vinyl chloride) were identified above the Class GA standard in groundwater from three wells on Parcel 3. No other samples exceeded the Class GA standards for VOCs.
- No SVOCs were detected in groundwater samples from wells on Parcel 3 at levels greater than the Class GA standards.

- Total PCBs were detected above the Class GA standard in five monitoring wells; however, the dissolved PCB concentration was less than the Class GA standard in three of these samples. No other pre-remediation groundwater samples exceeded the Class GA standard for PCBs.
- The pesticides aldrin, alpha-Chlordane and 4,4-DDD, were detected in three of the groundwater samples at a concentration greater than the Class GA standard. No other pre-remediation groundwater samples exceeded the Class GA standards for pesticides.
- Total and dissolved metals were detected in all samples at concentrations greater than the Class GA groundwater standards. These exceedances of dissolved metals consisted of common earth metals (iron, magnesium, manganese, and sodium), which are typically not associated with contamination.

Groundwater contaminant distribution and concentrations did not warrant active groundwater remediation given the extensive scope of the soil removal remediation performed. The detected groundwater concentrations were not clustered as in a typical contaminant plume. The risk of impact to human health or the environment on the Property from these elevated concentrations is very low given that the environmental easement on Parcel 3 prohibits future use of groundwater. However, groundwater is known to discharge to the Flushing River, where elevated PCB levels measured in sediments may be causing fish and wildlife impacts, as discussed in Section 2.6.2.

A summary of Property-wide pre-remediation groundwater laboratory analytical results by analyte is provided in Tables 4a to 4g. Exceedances of Class GA groundwater standards in monitoring wells prior to the remedy are shown in Table 4h. Maps that indicate the locations and parameters of exceedances of Class GA groundwater standards from the most recent sampling event prior to the remedy (August 2005) are shown in Figures 6a and 6b. Groundwater monitoring for natural attenuation will continue to be performed as defined in Section 3.0 of the Site Management Plan, a digital copy of which is included in Appendix A.

#### 2.5.6 Light Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid

During groundwater sampling conducted in 2004, light non-aqueous phase liquid (LNAPL) was detected in two of the monitoring wells on Parcel 3 (MW-5 and MW-6). LNAPL was also identified in one of the monitoring wells on Parcel 2 (MW-12), in close proximity to the Parcel 3 boundary. LNAPL sampled from MW-5 and MW-12 in 2004 indicated the product contained high levels of PCBs (11,000 ppm and 480 ppm, respectively) with some minor concentrations of VOCs and SVOCs. The product from MW-6 had no detection of VOCs and SVOCs and a low concentration of PCBs (0.002 ppm).

The horizontal extent of the LNAPL was delineated around each of the three wells and the LNAPL was assessed to be limited in extent around MW-6 and MW-12. Because of the larger area of LNAPL around MW-5, a pumping test was performed on MW-5. Pumping did not draw in significant product and LNAPL thickness in nearby wells was not impacted. Actual LNAPL thickness in the soil formation has been documented in research by United Stated Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) to be exaggerated in monitoring wells; therefore, no pre-excavation LNAPL recovery pumping was included in the remedy.

#### 2.5.7 Storage Tanks

Research conducted as part of the remedial investigation identified five ASTs and no underground storage tanks (USTs) on Parcel 3. Details regarding the tank contents, size and locations are provided in Table 5, and the tank locations are shown on Figure 7.

#### 2.5.8 Drainage Structures

Catch basin locations on the Property were surveyed, and the piping locations were assessed based on maps from private and city records, the geophysical survey, and observations during remedial excavation. The discharge locations of the catch basins were similarly identified to the extent practicable. The drainage structures and corresponding piping prior to remediation are shown on Figure 7.

As can be seen on Figure 7, no stormwater catch basins were identified on Parcel 3; however, catch basins from Parcel 2 appear to have been piped through Parcel 3 to outfalls in the Flushing River (Parcel 4). Four outfall pipes were observed in the Flushing River west of the bulkhead sheeting. In addition to the pipe extending off-site along the southern boundary of Parcel 3, a parallel NYCDEP pipe is located a short distance off-site to the south just beyond the Property boundary; connections to and interconnections with this off-site pipe are unknown. No samples of sediment were collected inside any of the pipes at the river outfall locations, as these locations would likely have been frequently flushed by tidal action. A sample was collected inside CE-Drainage Structure-1, at the Property line at the location shown on Figure 7. This sample had concentrations greater than the SSALs for PCBs as well as for arsenic, mercury and lead. The total PCB concentration was 250,000 ppb. Laboratory analytical results for the sewer pipe sediment samples are provided in Tables 6a to 6d.

Although the exact portions of the Property that historically drained via the pipe where CE-Drainage Structure-1 was collected cannot be determined, the pipe was located in one of the more highly PCB-contaminated areas of Parcels 2 and 3, including portions of the MW-5 hotspot area, where deeper excavation was conducted below the water table. Stormwater from other portions of Parcel 2 where higher PCB levels were encountered in soil (e.g., in the vicinity of the former ASTs on Parcels 2 and 3 along the northern Property boundary) likely drained to the River via outfalls located in Parcel 3. As shown on Figure 7, the River sediment sample (SD-8) in the vicinity of the presumed outfall location from CE-Drainage Structure-1 contained approximately 900 ppb of PCBs, a higher concentration than the levels in the closest mid-River samples (SD-14 and SD-15). All seven of sediment sample locations within Parcel 4 (i.e., closer to the outfalls) had PCB levels above 1,400 ppb (five had levels above 4,300 ppb) whereas four of the five mid-river locations in the vicinity had levels above 1,400 ppb, with one above 4,300 ppb. All drainage structures and piping on Parcels 2 and 3 were removed from excavations during remedial activities, as summarized in Section 4.3.6.

In summary, the pattern of PCB occurrence in the Property's soils and the Flushing River's sediments (especially in the vicinity of the Property's outfalls) indicates the Property is most likely an important source of the River's contamination.

#### 2.5.9 Geophysical Anomalies

The geophysical survey was completed across the entirety of the outdoor areas of Parcel 3 using a combination of an EM locator and GPR. The locations of the geophysical anomalies were painted on the ground surface and subsequently surveyed and mapped to

facilitate investigation during remediation excavation. The results of the geophysical survey are shown on Figure 8.

#### 2.6 ENVIRONMENTAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH ASSESSMENTS

#### 2.6.1 Qualitative Human Health Exposure Assessment

An analysis of remedial alternatives in the Parcels 2 and 3 RAWP consisted of evaluating several remedial alternatives to assess whether the selected remedial approach was sufficiently protective of public health and the environment for the contemplated use. The exposure assessment considered the following:

- Contaminated media considered in the assessment included soil, groundwater, and vapors, the nature and extent of which were identified during the remedial investigation. Flushing River sediments and surface water were also considered in the assessment (sediment sampling was conducted as part of the Parcel 4 remedial investigation, but surface water was not sampled).
- Potential contaminant transport routes included generation of dust and stormwater runoff during remediation or construction activities, groundwater flow, and vapors.
- Potential routes of exposure included direct contact (soil/particulates or water), inhalation (particulates or vapors), and ingestion (particulates, water or fish).
- Potentially exposed populations included current and future on-site and off-site residents, workers (including maintenance workers), or customers.

Exposure (and, therefore, the potential for risk) cannot occur unless there is contact with a chemical. As such, mere presence of a medium (i.e., soil or groundwater) impacted by a chemical at a site is not in itself evidence that a risk will exist. The following pathways were identified as incomplete based on Parcel 3's anticipated future use:

- On-site groundwater ingestion Public water is available and water just below the ground surface would not be permitted to be used as a drinking water supply. The prohibition of groundwater usage for any purpose would be incorporated into the institutional controls that would be applicable to Parcel 3. This prohibition would be in an institutional control that would apply to the entire Property.
- 2. On-site soil dermal contact by future on-site or off-site residents Parcel 3 will be capped by a building, pavement or two feet of clean fill. During any construction, the Construction Health and Safety Plan (CHASP) is being implemented.
- 3. On-site inhalation of particulates or vapors The current development plan does not include any buildings on Parcel 3. During any construction, the CHASP is being implemented.
- 4. Storm water runoff to the Flushing River Potentially contaminated soil could become entrained in storm water runoff which could subsequently enter the Flushing River. This exposure route was mitigated during remediation and construction by implementation of a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP). With placement of the site cover, this exposure route is not complete.

The following pathways were considered potentially complete:

1. <u>On-site soil dermal contact by on-site workers</u> – Worker exposure to contaminated soil during remediation and construction was mitigated by implementation of the

HASP and CHASP. Potential exposure during future construction or maintenance activities will be mitigated by procedures outlined in the Site Management Plan (SMP).

- Groundwater dermal contact or ingestion by on-site workers Exposure to
  contaminated groundwater during remediation and construction was mitigated by
  implementation of the HASP and CHASP. Potential exposure during future
  construction or maintenance activities will be mitigated by procedures outlined in the
  SMP.
- Inhalation of particulates or vapors by on-site workers Exposure to contaminated
  particulates or vapors during remediation and construction was mitigated by
  implementation of the SGMP, HASP and CHASP. Potential exposure during future
  construction or maintenance activities will be mitigated by procedures outlined in the
  SMP.
- 4. <u>Inhalation of particulates or vapors by off-site residents</u> Exposure to contaminated particulates or vapors during remediation and construction was mitigated by implementation of the SGMP, HASP and CHASP. Potential exposure during future construction or maintenance activities will be mitigated by procedures outlined in the SMP
- 5. Off-site surface water or sediment ingestion, inhalation or dermal contact The Flushing River appears to have been significantly affected by discharges of PCBs and possibly other contaminants from the BCP Property. The potential for continued contribution of on-site sources of contamination to a significant off-site threat to public health or the environment was addressed by the remedial activities performed under the RAWP for Parcels 2 and 3 of the Property. The Flushing River is a Class I (secondary contact recreation and fishing) saline waterbody and is not suitable for swimming; however, unauthorized swimming may occur. The potential remains that some ingestion, inhalation or dermal contact to surface water or sediment would occur.
- 6. Off-site ingestion of fish The Flushing River appears to have been significantly affected by discharges of PCBs and possibly other contaminants from the BCP Property. The potential for continued contribution of on-site sources of contamination to a significant off-site threat to public health or the environment was addressed by the activities performed under the RAWP for Parcels 2 and 3 of the Property. The applicable NYSDOH advisory is that individuals under the age of 15 and women of childbearing age not eat any fish and that other individuals eat no more than one meal per week.
- 7. Off-site inhalation of vapors Low level concentrations of volatile organic compounds greater than the Class GA standards were identified in groundwater on the Property. Most of the properties in the vicinity are capped with pavement or buildings; therefore, the potential for significant exposure to vapors from contaminated groundwater is minimal.

With appropriate implementation of the IRMWP and RAWP, including the Health and Safety Plan, Soil and Groundwater Management Plan, Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan and institutional controls, the selected remedial alternative addressed the contamination on Parcel 3 while mitigating potential exposure pathways.

#### 2.6.2 Fish & Wildlife Remedial Impact Analysis

No Fish and Wildlife Remedial Impact Analysis was performed for Parcel 3. The Flushing River is classified as a Class I saline waterbody, suitable for secondary contact recreation and fishing, as well as fish propagation and survival, but is not suitable for swimming. The remedial investigation of the Flushing River shows sediments have been significantly affected by discharges of PCBs and possibly other contaminants from the Property, especially in the vicinity of storm water outfalls from the site. Although the potential for continued discharges from on-site sources of contamination has been addressed by remedial activities performed on the Property, the potential for fish and wildlife impacts from prior discharges is considered significant.

#### 2.7 REMEDIAL ACTION OBJECTIVES

Based on the results of the Remedial Investigation, the following Remedial Action Objectives (RAOs) were identified in the RAWP specific to Parcel 3:

- To remove the source areas and prevent migration of contamination on Parcel 3;
- To prevent direct contact with contaminants in soil and groundwater (including LNAPL);
- To prevent inhalation of contaminated vapors and dust;
- To prevent incidental ingestion of groundwater with contaminant levels exceeding drinking water standards; and
- To prevent storm water runoff during soil disturbing activities.

Generic groundwater and soil RAOs are outlined in the following subsections.

#### 2.7.1 Groundwater RAOs

RAOs for public health protection were to:

- Prevent ingestion of groundwater containing contaminant levels exceeding drinking water standards; and
- Prevent contact with, or inhalation of, volatiles emanating from contaminated groundwater.

RAOs for environmental protection were to:

- Restore ground water aquifer, to the extent practicable, to pre-disposal/pre-release conditions;
- Prevent the discharge of contaminants to surface water; and.
- Remove the source of ground or surface water contamination.

#### 2.7.2 Soil RAOs

RAOs for public health protection were to:

- Prevent ingestion/direct contact with contaminated soil; and
- Prevent inhalation of, or exposure to, contaminants volatilizing from contaminated soil.

RAOs for environmental protection were to:

- Prevent migration of contaminants that would result in groundwater or surface water contamination; and
- Prevent impacts to biota due to ingestion/direct contact with contaminated soil that would cause toxicity or bioaccumulation through the terrestrial food chain.

#### 2.7.3 Sediment and Surface Water RAO

The RAO for sediment and surface water was to prevent continued discharge of contaminants from the Property to the Flushing River.

#### 3.0 DESCRIPTION OF APPROVED REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN

Parcel 3 was remediated in accordance with the scope of work presented in the NYSDEC-approved Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan and Remedial Action Work Plan, which consist of the following documents.

- 1. Revised Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan September 2005;
- 2. Addendum Items for Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan September 15, 2005;
- 3. Revised Health and Safety Plan September 2005;
- 4. Modification No. 1 to Revised Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan December 14, 2005;
- 5. Clarification of Modification No. 1 to Revised Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan January 11, 2006;
- 6. Modification No. 2 to Revised Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan January 11, 2006;
- 7. Modification No. 3 to Revised Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan February 7, 2006;
- 8. Modification No. 4 to Revised Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan April 19, 2006;
- 9. Modification No. 5 to the Revised Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan May 2, 2006;
- 10. Remedial Action Work Plan February 2006;
- 11. Stipulation List for the Remedial Action Work Plan June 14, 2006; and
- 12. Modification No. 1 to the Revised Remedial Action Work Plan September 19, 2007.

The factors considered during the analysis of remedial alternatives included:

- Protection of human health and the environment;
- Compliance with standards, criteria, and guidelines (SCGs), including the SSALs, as outlined in Section 2.5.3;
- Short-term effectiveness and impacts;
- Long-term effectiveness and permanence;
- Reduction of toxicity, mobility, or volume of contaminated material;
- Implementability;
- Cost effectiveness:
- Community acceptance; and
- Contemplated land use.

#### 3.1 SUMMARY OF PROPOSED REMEDIAL ACTION

The following is a description of the proposed Remedial Actions required by the NYSDEC-approved IRMWP and RAWP.

1. Excavation of soil exceeding the established SSALs listed in Section 2.5.3 to the extent practicable below the water table, with the exception of deeper excavation below the water table (with dewatering) in the MW-5 hotspot area;

- 2. Removal of LNAPL;
- 3. Removal of all ASTs;
- 4. Investigation, mapping and removal of drainage structures;
- 5. Investigation and, if necessary, remediation of geophysical anomalies;
- 6. Installation and sampling of groundwater monitoring wells for natural attenuation monitoring;
- 7. Installation of a groundwater cutoff wall along a portion of the northern boundary;
- 8. Construction and maintenance of a site cover consisting of concrete or asphalt to prevent human exposure to residual contaminated soil remaining on Parcel 3;
- 9. Recording of an Environmental Easement, including Institutional and Engineering Controls, to prevent future exposure to any residual contamination remaining on Parcel 3 (a copy of the Environmental Easement is provided in Appendix E);
- 10. Publication of a Site Management Plan for long term management of residual contamination as required by the Environmental Easement, including plans for: (1) Institutional and Engineering Controls, (2) groundwater monitoring, (3) operation and maintenance and (4) reporting;
- 11. Screening for indications of contamination (by visual means, odor, and monitoring with a photoionization detector (PID)) of all excavated soil during any intrusive work;
- 12. Performance of community air monitoring of dust and VOCs/odors in accordance with NYSDOH requirements;
- 13. Implementation of a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) in accordance with NYSDEC requirements;
- 14. Collection and analysis of end-point samples to evaluate the performance of the remedy with respect to attainment the SSAL goals;
- 15. Appropriate off-site disposal of all material removed from Parcel 3 in accordance with all Federal, State and local rules and regulations for handling, transport, and disposal;
- 16. Import of materials to be used for backfill and cover in compliance with: (1) TAGM 4046 RSCOs, or for which specific approval was given by NYSDEC; (2) all Federal, State and local rules and regulations for handling and transport of material;
- 17. All activities associated with the Remedial Action, including permitting requirements and pretreatment requirements, addressed in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local rules and regulations;
- 18. Performance of all required BCP citizen participation activities (including development of a Citizen Participation Plan, public contact list, document repositories, public notices, and fact sheets); and
- 19. Certification of the completion of the remedy in this FER.

#### 4.0 DESCRIPTION OF REMEDIAL ACTIONS PERFORMED

Remedial activities completed on Parcel 3 were conducted in accordance with the NYSDEC-approved IRMWP for Parcels 2 and 3 dated September 2005 and RAWP for Parcels 2 and 3, dated February 2006, plus the addendum and modifications listed in Section 3.0. Figure 2 depicts a reference grid used in the following subsections in describing specific locations of an activity. Digital files (PDFs) of the approved RAWP and other major documents that governed remediation are included on the DVD provided in Appendix A. All deviations from the IRMWP and RAWP are noted in Section 4.9.

Below is a summary of the Remedial Actions implemented on Parcel 3:

- 1. Excavation of soil exceeding the SSALs listed in Section 2.5.3 to the extent practicable below the water table, with the exception of deeper excavation below the water table (with dewatering) in the MW-5 hotspot area;
- 2. Removal of LNAPL;
- 3. Removal of all ASTs;
- 4. Investigation, mapping and removal of drainage structures;
- 5. Investigation and, if necessary, remediation of geophysical anomalies;
- 6. Installation and sampling of groundwater monitoring wells for natural attenuation monitoring;
- 7. Installation of a groundwater cutoff wall along a portion of the northern boundary;
- 8. Construction and maintenance of a site cover consisting of concrete or asphalt to prevent human exposure to residual contaminated soil remaining on Parcel 3;
- 9. Recording of an Environmental Easement, including Institutional and Engineering Controls, to prevent future exposure to any residual contamination remaining on Parcel 3 (a copy of the Environmental Easement is provided in Appendix E);
- 10. Development of a Site Management Plan for long term management of residual contamination as required by the Environmental Easement, which includes plans for: (1) Institutional and Engineering Controls, (2) groundwater monitoring, (3) operation and maintenance and (4) reporting;
- 11. Screening for indications of contamination (by visual means, odor, and monitoring with a PID) of all excavated soil during any intrusive work;
- 12. Performance of community air monitoring of dust and VOCs/odors in accordance with NYSDOH requirements;
- 13. Implementation of a SWPPP in accordance with NYSDEC requirements;
- 14. Collection and analysis of endpoint samples to evaluate the performance of the remedy with respect to attainment the SSAL goals;
- 15. Appropriate off-site disposal of all material removed from Parcel 3 in accordance with all Federal, State and local rules and regulations for handling, transport, and disposal;
- 16. Import of materials to be used for backfill and cover in compliance with: (1) TAGM 4046 RSCOs, or for which specific approval was given by NYSDEC; (2) all Federal, State and local rules and regulations for handling and transport of material;
- 17. All activities associated with the Remedial Action, including permitting requirements and pretreatment requirements, addressed in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local rules and regulations;

- 18. Performance of all required BCP citizen participation activities (including development of a Citizen Participation Plan, public contact list, document repositories, public notices, and fact sheets); and
- 19. Certification of the completion of the remedy in this FER.

#### 4.1 GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

The IRMWP and RAWP included support documents that outlined more specific aspects of the remediation projects. Highlights of these documents are provided in the following subsections.

#### 4.1.1 Site-Specific Health & Safety Plan

A Health and Safety Plan (HASP) for the entire Property was provided under separate cover to the IRMWP and was included as Appendix B of the RAWP. The HASP included requirements for personnel training, protocols for work zone air monitoring and community air monitoring, designated personal protection equipment, and decontamination procedures.

The Site Safety Officer (SSO) was the on-site representative of the Remedial Engineer that was responsible for implementation of the HASP. The SSO for the majority of remedial action activities was Stephen Grens, Jr.; in Mr. Grens' absence, SSOs included Mark Accetturi, Elizabeth Reif, and Kenneth Takagi. Resumes for the project staff are included in Appendix F.

Remedial work performed on Parcel 3 was in full compliance with governmental requirements, including environmental worker safety requirements mandated by OSHA.

The HASP, including the community air monitoring protocol, was complied with for all invasive remedial work performed on Parcel 3.

### 4.1.2 Quality Assurance Project Plan

A Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) for the supplemental investigation and remediation of Parcel 3 was included as Section 5.0 of the IRMWP and Section 7.0 of the RAWP. This document governed sampling and laboratory procedures, boring and well installation, soil excavation, geophysical anomaly survey and investigation, drainage structure investigation and removal, and tank cleaning and removal.

The QAPP established observation and testing protocols used to monitor the supplemental investigation and remediation; Quality assurance / quality control (QA/QC) methodologies applied in the field and in the lab; responsibilities and authorities of key personnel; and methods for sample collection, laboratory analyses, and data review. The QAPP defined the project team and responsibilities of key personnel.

#### 4.1.3 Soil and Groundwater Management Plan

The Soil and Groundwater Management Plan (SGMP) for Parcels 2 and 3 was included as Appendix D of the IRMWP and Appendix C of the RAWP. This document provided detailed plans for managing all soils/materials that were disturbed, including excavation, handling, storage, transport and disposal. It also included all of the controls that were applied to these efforts to assure effective, nuisance-free performance in compliance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws and regulations.

#### 4.1.4 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan

As required under 6 NYCRR Parts 700-705, a SWPPP was prepared to comply with the requirements and conditions of the State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

(SPDES) General Stormwater Permit for Construction Activity (Permit No. GP-02-01). A Property-wide SWPPP was provided as Appendix E to the IRMWP. The SWPPP included erosion and sediment controls in conformance with requirements presented in the New York State Guidelines for Urban Erosion and Sediment Control. Typical measures that were implemented at various stages of the project to limit the potential for erosion and migration of soil included the use of hay bales, sewer inlet protection, a stabilized construction entrance, and dust control measures.

#### 4.1.5 Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP)

A CAMP was included as Section 4.5.5 of the Property-wide HASP dated September 2005, which was submitted to NYSDEC as a stand-alone document and as Appendix B to the Parcels 2 and 3 RAWP dated February 2006. The CAMP established protocols for VOC and particulate air monitoring to be conducted at the Property perimeter if work zone perimeter concentrations approached the applicable community action levels. Corresponding response actions were specified for the action levels.

#### 4.1.6 Citizen Participation Plan

As part of the BCP, a Citizen Participation Plan was prepared for the Property. The approved Citizen Participation Plan for this project is included on the DVD attached in Appendix A.

Citizen participation activities performed as part of the Parcel 3 remedial investigation and remedial action included the following:

- November 12 and 19, 2003 Environmental Notice Board (ENB) Public Notice –
   Soliciting public comments for the supplemental investigation and remedial action;
- March 2005 Fact Sheet Soliciting public comments for the adding Volunteers to the BCAs, the supplemental investigation results (SITR No. 1), Revised RIR and IRMWP;
- September 2005 Fact Sheet Announcing the start of remedial work; under the IRMWP;
- April 2006 Fact Sheet Soliciting public comments for the Supplemental RIR and RAWP; and
- July 2006 Fact Sheet Announcing the start of additional remedial work under the RAWP.

The Fact Sheets were mailed to the updated contact list established in the Citizen Participation Plan. No changes were made to approved Fact Sheets authorized for release by NYSDEC without written consent of the NYSDEC.

Citizen participation activities anticipated in the future include the following:

- After the final draft of the Final Engineering Report is complete, a Fact Sheet will be
  mailed to the site contact list to solicit public comments on the proposed report prior
  to NYSDEC approval.
- Within 10 days of the issuance of the Certificate of Completion, a Fact Sheet summarizing the institutional and engineering controls will be sent to the parties on the site contact list.

A certification of mailing will be sent by the Volunteers to the NYSDEC project manager following the distribution of all remaining Fact Sheets and notices that includes: (1) certification that the Fact Sheets were mailed; (2) the date they were mailed; (3) a copy of the Fact Sheet; (4) a list of recipients (contact list); and (5) a statement that the repository was inspected on (date) and that it contained all of applicable project documents.

Document repositories have been established at the following locations for the duration of the project and contain all applicable project documents:

Queens Borough Public Library – Central Library 89-11 Merrick Boulevard Jamaica, NY 11432 (718) 990-0700

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation One Hunters Point Plaza 47-40 21<sup>st</sup> Street Long Island City, NY 11101 (718) 482-4065

#### 4.2 REMEDIAL PROGRAM ELEMENTS

#### 4.2.1 Involved Parties

Creamer Environmental, Inc. of Hackensack, New Jersey served as the general contractor for all remediation activities. The Remedial Engineer for the remedial action on Parcel 3 was Michelle Lapin, P.E. of AKRF Engineering, P.C. AKRF representatives oversaw and documented all remedial activities on Parcel 3; conducted health and safety and perimeter air monitoring; and collected endpoint samples.

#### 4.2.2 Site Preparation

Site preparation activities commenced in September 2005. A wood construction fence was installed at the perimeter of the Property and locking gates were added at the two entry points to the Property. A NYSDEC BCP project sign was erected at the project entrance and in place during all phases of the Remedial Action. A pre-construction meeting was held with representatives of NYSDEC, AKRF, the Volunteer, and the remedial contractor on January 12, 2006.

#### 4.2.2.1 Sediment and Erosion Control Measures

Measures were taken to reduce runoff from entering and leaving the areas of excavation, or traveling off-site, in accordance with the SWPPP prepared for the remediation phase of work on the Property. C.E. Flushing, LLC was responsible for inspecting and maintaining the erosion control measures as specified in the SWPPP. Sediment and erosion control measures installed at the Property included the following:

- Hay bales were installed at the downgradient perimeter of the Property along 40<sup>th</sup> Road. As a potential flood control measure, 1 cubic-yard sandbags were placed in the southwestern area of Parcel 1 along 40<sup>th</sup> Road.
- Interlocking steel sheeting was used as the downgradient control on the western side
  of the Property along the Flushing River and on the southwestern Property boundary.
  In downgradient perimeter areas where sheeting was not used, haybales and sandbags

were installed. Storm sewer inlet protection, including hay bales and filter fabric, were installed around the catch basins to encourage deposition of sediment before it entered the inlets.

- A stabilized construction entrance, consisting of aggregate placed over filter fabric, was constructed on Parcel 1 grid cells H5 and H6 adjacent to 40<sup>th</sup> Road. This gate was the sole point of egress for dump trucks exiting the Property throughout remediation on Parcels 1, 2 or 3.
- Truck decontamination pads were constructed of gravel placed over filter fabric and polyethylene sheeting. A sump was constructed in one corner to collect wash water. Prior to the start of remediation activities, a decontamination pad was constructed on grid cell H5 adjacent to the stabilized construction entrance. During remediation activities on Parcels 2 and 3, a decontamination pad was installed on grid cell E4. As remediation excavation activities continued east, and out of Parcel 2, the E4 decontamination pad was removed; however, the decontamination pad on grid cell H5 continued to be used. This decontamination pad remained in-place throughout remediation and into construction activities. In an effort to prevent trucks from tracking soil across the Property, asphalt was left in-place during remediation to the extent possible for roadways and staging areas. Trucks carrying material from remediation activities were pressure washed over the decontamination pad prior to exiting the Property.
- Soil stockpile erosion control measures included berming the edges of the stockpile beneath the sheeting, or the installation of hay bales around the perimeter of each soil stockpile. The stockpiles were placed at least 50 feet from the Property boundary to the extent practicable. Additionally, to prevent leaching and runoff, contaminated soil stockpiles were placed on polyethylene sheeting with a bermed perimeter and covered with sheeting.

#### 4.2.2.2 Permits and Approvals

Site preparation included coordination of appropriate permits and approvals. A complete list of agency permits and approvals required for activities performed under the IRMWP and RAWP is included in Appendix G. This list includes a citation of the law, statute or code to be complied with, the originating agency, and a contact name and phone number in that agency.

All SEQRA requirements and all substantive compliance requirements for attainment of applicable natural resource or other permits were achieved during this Remedial Action.

#### 4.2.2.3 Monitoring Well Abandonment

The planned remediation and development required excavation across the entirety of the Property. The monitoring wells were abandoned by removing any above-grade portion of the well and filling the screen and riser with wetted bentonite chips.

#### 4.2.2.4 Waste Characterization

Pre remediation waste characterization samples on Parcels 2 and 3 consisted of soil samples collected from test pits excavated on a grid in December 2005. The post-remediation construction excavation disturbed some soil in unremediated areas (i.e., below the depth of remedial excavation). In areas where the removed soil exhibited evidence of contamination (odor, staining, or elevated PID reading), the soil was

stockpiled for later off-site disposal. Soil samples were collected from the stockpiles in August 2007 to characterize the material for disposal.

The Parcels 2 and 3 waste characterization samples were analyzed for: VOCs by EPA Method 8260; SVOCs; total metals by EPA Method 6010; PCBs by EPA Method 8082; and leachable VOCs, SVOCs, pesticides, and metals using the toxicity characteristic leaching procedure (TCLP) by EPA Methods 1311, 8260, 8270, 8081, 8151, 6010 and 7470; ignitability by EPA Method 1030; corrosivity by EPA Methods 9040/9045; and sulfide/cyanide reactivity by EPA Methods 9014/9034. The waste characterization samples from December 2005 were analyzed by Aqua Pro-Tech Laboratories in Fairfield, NJ, a NYSDOH-certified laboratory. The waste characterization samples from August 2007 were analyzed by TestAmerica (formerly known as Severn Trent Laboratories (STL)) in Shelton, Connecticut, a NYSDOH Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Procedure (ELAP)-certified laboratory.

Laboratory analytical results for the waste characterization samples are provided in Tables 7a to 7i, and the laboratory reports are included on the DVD provided in Appendix C.

#### 4.2.3 General Site Controls

To the extent practicable, stockpiles were located at least 50 feet from the Property boundaries, with special effort undertaken to avoid placing stockpiles close to College Point Boulevard, due to the presence of residences across the street. A soil staging area was constructed on grid cell C6 for stockpiling and drying of saturated soil characterized as hazardous waste. The soil staging area consisted of a 40 mil LLDPE liner with approximately 1.5-foot berms constructed on all sides. Stockpile areas were surrounded by berms beneath the sheeting, or with silt fences or hay bales. Soil was managed to minimize dust generation, run-off and erosion. Stockpiles were separated by a sufficient distance to ensure that mixing of dissimilar or potentially dissimilar materials did not occur.

Remediation-derived waste, including soil and buried concrete approved for reuse, was stockpiled on double-layered polyethylene sheeting with a minimum 8-mil thickness per layer. Soil was either temporarily stockpiled adjacent to open excavation (as remedial activities progressed), or stockpiled in a central location elsewhere on the Property. The soil stockpiles were covered with polyethylene sheeting at the end of each work day. The polyethylene sheeting was secured with large rocks or other anchors. Stockpiles were inspected routinely and damaged sheeting was promptly replaced.

Soils were stockpiled based on their known or anticipated type and/or level of contamination (based on previous data, PID readings, odor, staining, etc.). Stockpiles intended for off-site disposal were mixed with other compatible stockpiles on-site. Hazardous wastes were not mixed with non-hazardous wastes.

Other site controls included the following:

- Throughout remedial excavation, the soil and groundwater conditions were observed for evidence of contamination. Contamination was addressed in accordance with the RAWP, as outlined in Section 4.3.
- Equipment was decontaminated when leaving the hazardous waste excavation work zone and trucks and equipment were washed prior to leaving the Property. Streets

adjacent to the Property were kept clear of soil, gravel or debris by regular sweeping and rinsing.

- Erosion and sedimentation controls were installed and maintained throughout remediation and construction, as discussed in Section 4.2.2.1. The site was inspected regularly to ensure erosion control measures were maintained.
- The entire Property was secured by a perimeter fence with two gates manned by security personnel to restrict entry. Throughout the duration of work performed under the RAWP, there was no vandalism nor other incidents on the Property related to site security.
- Job site record keeping included maintenance of log books, personnel sign-in sheets, health and safety briefing sigh-in sheets, air monitoring forms, daily activity logs, and truck tracking logs.

#### 4.2.4 Nuisance Controls

Potential neighborhood nuisance issues were addressed and controlled in accordance with the IRMWP, RAWP and other governing documents as follows:

- Other than organic decomposition-type odors emanating from the Flushing River during low tide, which were typical prior to remediation, no nuisance odors were identified on-site during remediation.
- Trucks were queued on the Property and did not idle in the neighborhood surrounding the Property.
- Dust control measures were implemented regularly. These measures included wetting of haul roads, excavation faces and stockpiles; covering of stockpiles after soil handling had ceased; and minimizing the area of open excavation.
- All contaminated soil excavated from Parcel 3 was loaded onto trucks lined with polyethylene sheeting and each truck was securely covered with a tight-fitting cover.
- Prior to leaving the Property, trucks hauling contaminated soil were inspected for evidence of exterior contamination. Trucks were washed with a pressure washer on the decontamination pad.
- The stabilized construction entrance was maintained throughout remediation.
- Trucks left the Property on the designated truck route on College Point Boulevard to either the Whitestone Expressway to the north, or the Long Island Expressway to the south
- Throughout the course of remediation, only one public complaint was received, on June 7, 2006. At NYSDEC's suggestion, AKRF, Creamer Environmental, and Volunteer representatives met with the complainant to address any concerns. There was no specific grievance, but the party was interested in the remediation procedures and potential impact to nearby residents, as well as issues of community interest, such as neighborhood redevelopment, jobs, and parking. The complaint was rescinded in writing, and the NYSDEC was updated with the resolution of this issue on July 11, 2006.
- No substantive nuisance issues arose during the course of remediation.

#### 4.2.5 Air Monitoring Results

Continuous air monitoring was conducted during soil disturbance activities to monitor for elevated levels of VOCs, particulates, visible dust, and odors within the work zone breathing areas. Background ambient air readings at the work zone perimeter were collected prior to, during, and following excavation activities. VOC concentrations were monitored with a PID or equivalent, and respirable particulate matter was monitored using a Thermo PDR1000, DustTrak 8520 particulate monitor or equivalent. No remediation work zone or community air monitoring exceedances were noted above the 15-minute time-weighted average (TWA) action levels specified in the HASP through the full duration of activities performed under the RAWP. Instantaneous particulate or VOC readings were identified above background levels one occasion:

• On April 19, 2006, there was an instantaneous particulate reading of 14 mg/m³ logged at 2:20 pm at the perimeter of the bulkhead sheeting work zone. The elevated particulate concentrations lasted for less than 1 minute; therefore, this concentration did not exceed the action level, which is a 15-minute time-weighted average concentration. This spike in the particulate concentration was attributed to strong winds and some demolition-related dust on the asphalt roads. The dust did not originate from contaminated work areas, as exposed soil and stockpiles are covered with polyethylene sheeting. A water truck immediately returned to the vicinity to wet the asphalt. There were no elevated particulate readings at any time during the remainder of the work day. An additional water truck was brought to the Property to address any continued dust generation.

Electronic copies of the air monitoring logs are provided in Appendix H.

#### 4.2.6 Reporting

Daily and monthly reports were submitted throughout remedial activities and specific construction activities that required oversight by AKRF, as a representative of the Remedial Engineer. The daily reports consisted of a short summary of work and were submitted by email to the NYSDEC and NYSDOH Project Managers. The Monthly Progress Reports were submitted by hard copy, generally by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the following month. The Monthly Progress Reports included tables of the laboratory data, a selection of photographs, and copies of the air monitoring logs. Digital copies of all daily and monthly reports are included on a CD in Appendix I.

A DVD containing digital photographs and a corresponding photo log required by the NYSDEC is included in Appendix J.

#### 4.3 CONTAMINATED MATERIALS REMOVAL

Contaminated materials removal on Parcel 3 included the excavation of soil with concentrations greater than the established SSALs shown in Section 2.5.3 to the extent practicable below the water table; removal of LNAPL to the extent practicable; removal of ASTs and USTs; investigation and removal of drainage structures; and investigation of geophysical anomalies. Each area is discussed in detail in the following subsections.

Remediation on Parcels 1, 2 and 3 of the Property was performed together and tracking of excavated or backfilled material was not segregated by Parcel. Estimates of the breakdown for Parcel 3 are summarized below; however, the documentation of imported and exported material is provided for the entire Property.

#### 4.3.1 Soil Removal

The remedial goal in all three areas was to remove soil exceeding the established SSALs to the extent practicable. The remedial excavation on Parcel 3 consisted of two general areas—inside the MW-5 Hotspot Area and outside the MW-5 Hotspot Area.

- Inside the MW-5 Hotspot Area The "MW-5 Hotspot Area" consisted of an approximately 150-foot by 240-foot area spanning Parcels 2 and 3 that encompassed the MW-5, OB-17 and B-8 hotspots. Temporary water tight sheeting was installed around the MW-5 Hotspot Area to facilitate the removal of hazardous waste concentrations of PCBs below the water table.
- Outside the MW-5 Hotspot Area, including beneath the former building footprint on Parcel 3 Remedial excavation of the Parcel 3 areas outside of the MW-5 Hotspot Area included the removal of the entirety of soil to the observed depth of the groundwater table. Excavation of soil exceeding the established SSALs continued to the extent practicable below the water table (i.e., soil that could be removed without sheeting and/or dewatering) (typically 1 to 4 feet below the observed water table, depending on soil type, adjoining ground surface elevation, accessibility, and adjacent structures).

During excavation, the soil and groundwater (if encountered) was monitored for evidence of contamination (e.g., staining, odors, and elevated PID readings). Excavation extended vertically and laterally until there was no noted evidence of contamination and endpoint samples indicated concentrations less than the applicable SSAL, or had proceeded as deep as practicable below the water table outside of the MW-5 Hotspot Area. In the MW-5 Hotspot Area, the excavation extended until there was no noted evidence of contamination and endpoint samples indicated concentrations less than the applicable SSAL, or had continued as far as practicable while retaining the structural integrity of the water-tight sheeting.

In order to retain the structural integrity of off-site structures, sidewalks, and roads, the excavation sidewalls were sloped on the Property boundaries. Post-excavation endpoint samples were collected as discussed in Section 4.4.

The excavated soil was managed as non-hazardous or hazardous based on previous laboratory analytical results. Soil was either temporarily stockpiled or loaded directly into trucks for off-site disposal. All soil leaving the site was documented by non-hazardous or hazardous waste manifests, and truck logs. Tables detailing the truck logging are provided as Tables 8 and 9.

A map of the locations of investigation and delineation soil borings, endpoint samples, and the area and approximate depths where remedial excavations were performed is provided as Figure 11. A contour map showing the bottom elevation of remediation-related cuts is included as Figure 12. After excavation was completed, the excavation was backfilled as discussed in Section 4.5. The fill elevations are shown on the drawings of site cover components provided as Figures 13a and 13b, and the site cover survey provided as Figure 14.

#### 4.3.2 LNAPL Removal

A petroleum-like sheen, sludge and/or odors were noted on groundwater during remedial activities on grid cells A3, A4, B1, B2, B6, C1, C6, C7, D1, D7, and E1. No LNAPL was of measurable thickness (i.e., greater than 0.01 foot) using the oil-water interface

probe. Oil absorbent pads and booms were used to contain and recover LNAPL on groundwater. Saturated pads were disposed of off-site with soil. The excavations were temporarily left open to gauge and recover LNAPL. After the sheen dissipated, the areas were backfilled and graded to match the existing ground surface.

Typically, the sheen dissipated within several days of passive LNAPL removal. The petroleum-like sheen was noticeably thicker in grid cells E1 and D7; however, no LNAPL was measureable using the oil-water interface probe. In these areas, a vacuum truck was used to skim the groundwater surface, in addition to the oil absorbent pads and booms. Liquids were disposed of off-site, as documented in Appendix K.

#### 4.3.3 Storage Tank Removal

No USTs were encountered on Parcel 3. Research conducted as part of the remedial investigation identified five ASTs on Parcel 3. Details regarding the tank contents, size and locations are provided in Table 5, and the tank locations are shown on Figure 7.

The ASTs on Parcel 3 previously contained either transformer oil or #2 fuel oil. The two 275-gallon #2 fuel oil ASTs had been previously abandoned with sand. The sand was observed to be stained and had a petroleum-like odor. The sand was removed from the tanks and disposed of at the Waste Management landfills in either Morrisville, Pennsylvania or Tullytown, Pennsylvania. The metal tanks were crushed and disposed off-site at Mid-Island Salvage Corporation in Deer Park, New York. The three 4,000-gallon insulating oil ASTs were empty. The tanks were cleaned, crushed, and disposed off-site at Mid-Island Salvage Corporation in Deer Park, New York. The NYSDEC Petroleum Bulk Storage (PBS) forms were submitted as required. Tank removal documentation is provided in Appendix L.

#### 4.3.4 Spill Reporting

There are six open spill numbers on the Property. The following two spills are associated with Parcel 3:

- On March 27, 2001, a spill was reported due to petroleum-contaminated soil observed during the installation of MW-5. Spill No. 0013545 was assigned. Soil was investigated during 2004 and 2005. Remedial activity in 2006 removed contaminated soil to depths ranging from 5 feet to 12 feet below grade. Endpoint samples collected in the MW-5 Hotspot Area (EP-96, EP-106, and EP-173) were below the SSALs.
- On May 11, 2004, a spill was reported due to LNAPL observed during groundwater sampling of monitoring wells MW-5, MW-6 and MW-12. Spill No. 0401460 was assigned. LNAPL was investigated during 2004 and 2005 and the assessment concluded that an active LNAPL recovery program would not be effective. LNAPL was removed during remedial excavation by dewatering and passive recovery, as discussed in Section 4.3.2.

As part of remediation under the BCP and issuance of the Certificate of Completion, the Spill numbers will be closed.

#### 4.3.5 Removal of Drainage Structures

All sewer piping, catch basins, and manholes identified on Parcel 3 were excavated and disposed of off-site. As stipulated under the RAWP, the sewer piping and catch basins from Parcel 3 were disposed of off-site as hazardous waste.

At the request of NYSDEC, a sample of the sediment was collected from inside a Parcel 2 sewer pipe at the Property boundary (on Parcel 3). Sediment sample CE-Drainage Structure-1 was collected from within a 6-inch sewer pipe where the pipe left the Property at the location shown on Figure 7. The pipe sediment findings are discussed in Section 2.5.8.

#### 4.3.6 Geophysical Anomaly Removal

Geophysical anomalies were investigated as part of the remedial excavation between March and May 2006. The anomalies were investigated to depths of approximately four to six feet below grade. The anomalies consisted of concentrated areas of distinct fill material, including concrete, cinder, slag, metal, rebar, and utility piping. No tanks, drums or other structures of environmental concern were identified during exploration of the anomalies. The debris was removed for off-site disposal along with other soil on Parcel 3. Pieces of concrete that exhibited no visible staining or odors were segregated and stockpiled for washing and on-site reuse as discussed in Section 4.5.3.

#### 4.3.7 Trucking and Disposal Details

Since remediation was performed on the Property as a whole and soil removal was not segregated by Parcel, the waste tracking information is provided for the Property, with approximations for Parcel 3. Prior to off-site disposal of soil, investigation and waste characterization data for the Property was provided to each solid waste disposal facility. Waste characterization data is summarized in Tables 7a to 7i. The receiving facilities provided confirmation that they reviewed the data and that the material was acceptable under the applicable permits. Acceptance letters from disposal facility owners are attached in Appendix M.

The Property had the following general solid waste streams:

- From February 22, 2006 to November 20, 2006, August 29 to 31, 2007, October 8, 2007, and November 7 and 8, 2007, a total of 2,890 trucks transported 60,840 tons non-hazardous waste for disposal at the Waste Management landfills in Morrisville, PA (Grows) or Tullytown, PA (TRRF). Of this quantity, approximately 6,308 tons are estimated to be from Parcel 3 remediation.
- From March 13, 2006 to November 20, 2006, a total of 877 trucks transported 22,280 tons of hazardous waste soil with PCB concentrations greater than 50 ppm. Of this quantity, approximately 2,273 tons are estimated to be from Parcel 3 remediation. The trucks transferred the hazardous PCB waste to rail car gondolas at an intermodal truck-to-rail transfer yard in North Bergen, New Jersey. Hazardous waste PCB soil was disposed of at the Heritage Environmental Services RCRA Subtitle C landfill located in Roachdale, Indiana (EPA ID #IND980603890).
- Although characteristically hazardous lead soil (TCLP lead concentration greater than 5 mg/L) was excavated from the Property, none of this soil was from Parcel 3.
- Larger pieces of excavated metal, namely tank bodies and railroad tracks, were segregated and placed into roll-off containers. The metal was taken off-site for scrap recycling by Mid-Island Salvage Corp. and Metal Management Northeast, Inc.

The total quantities of non-hazardous and hazardous wastes removed from the Property and the respective disposal locations are shown on Tables 8 and 9, respectively. Copies of waste manifests and bills of lading for material disposed of off-site are included in

Appendix N. Copies of the waste hauler permits and applicable disposal facility permit information are also provided in Appendix M.

#### 4.4 REMEDIAL PERFORMANCE (ENDPOINT) SAMPLE RESULTS

#### 4.4.1 Soil Endpoint Sampling

Post-remediation soil endpoint samples were collected on Parcel 3. Endpoint samples were collected at target locations established in the IRMWP and RAWP. Where remedial investigation sampling did not identify a bottom elevation with concentrations meeting SSALs, bottom endpoint samples were also collected.

During excavation, soil was screened for evidence of contamination (e.g. staining, odors, elevated PID readings). Endpoint samples were collected when evidence of contamination was no longer noted and/or the technical limit for the excavation was reached. In areas where PCBs were a contaminant of concern, a Dexsil Corporation L2000 PCB/Chloride Analyzer (PCB field screening kit) was used to help guide the bottom depth of endpoint soil sample collection; field observations and field screening results were not considered a replacement for laboratory analysis of endpoint samples.

Since the contaminant of concern was previously identified by remedial investigation soil samples with concentrations greater than an SSAL(s), endpoint samples were analyzed only for the contaminant(s) of concern.

A tabular summary of all endpoint sampling is included in Table 10 with all exceedances of SSALs highlighted. Table 10 also includes an indication of the general sample location. The endpoint sample locations are depicted on Figure 11.

If analytical results indicated concentrations greater than the SSALs, then excavation continued as practicable and additional endpoint samples were collected. Final post-excavation endpoint sampling results representative of soil left in place are detailed in Tables 11a to 11e. The laboratory analytical results indicated that 3 of the 16 final bottom samples and 10 of the 31 final sidewall samples on Parcel 3 had concentrations above the SSALs. The locations and elevations of residual contamination identified by these final endpoint samples with concentrations greater than the SSALs are depicted on Figure 15. A Property-wide summary table of only the final endpoint samples with concentrations greater than the SSALs is provided as Table 12. This residual contamination remaining on-site is discussed in Section 4.6.

All endpoint samples were analyzed by STL (now known as TestAmerica) of Shelton, Connecticut or their equally qualified laboratory divisions in other cities. Data was reported with Category B data deliverables, therefore, no DUSR was prepared. NYSDOH ELAP-certified laboratories were used for all endpoint sample analyses. Quality control analyses were performed, as required by the Category B sampling techniques. Field blank samples were submitted at a frequency of one blank for each 20 soil samples analyzed. Trip blank samples were submitted for sampling groups which included VOC analyses. The field blank and trip blank analytical results as part of the endpoint sampling are included on Tables 11a to 11e. Acetone was detected in each of the trip blanks and field blanks at concentrations ranging from 2.2 to 7.2 parts per billion (ppb). Methylene chloride was detected in each of the trip blank samples at concentrations ranging from 2.2 to 19 ppb. Methylene chloride was not detected in the field blank samples. Both acetone and methylene chloride are commonly used decontamination solvents and were also detected in the laboratory method blanks for

several analytical batches. Therefore, detections of acetone and methylene chloride in the blank samples, as well as similar concentrations in the soil samples, are likely due to decontamination residue in the glassware or laboratory artifact. Benzene was identified in five of the trip blank samples at concentrations less than one order of magnitude greater than the detection limit. These concentrations were flagged as estimates and do not significantly effect the detected concentrations, since benzene was not detected above laboratory detection limits in the corresponding endpoint soil samples. No other VOCs, SVOCs, PCBs, pesticides or metals were detected in any of the trip blank or field blank samples. Internal laboratory QA/QC procedures included analyses of matrix spike/matrix spike duplicate (MS/MSD) samples, which are reported in the laboratory reports provided in Appendix C.

#### 4.5 BACKFILL

As part of remediation, the excavations were backfilled using: (1) soil or fill from Parcel 1; (2) crushed asphalt, concrete and brick from on-site demolition; (3) crushed buried concrete (e.g., former pile caps) from on-site demolition; and (4) rock and soil obtained from off-site sources. Backfill material was sampled prior to use and confirmed to meet the SSAL criteria (on-site material) or generally meet TAGM #4046 RSCO criteria (imported material). Some samples of imported backfill had exceedances of the TAGM #4046 RSCOs; however, the use of that material was specifically approved by NYSDEC. Tables summarizing chemical analytical results for backfill are included in Tables 13 to 16. A summary of the sources of imported backfill with quantities for each source is shown in Tables 17a to 17f.

The rock, concrete and brick were broken into appropriately sized pieces on-site using the NYSDEC-approved crusher. Backfill of remediation excavations of Parcel 3 was placed to elevations ranging from approximately elevation +3 feet to +5 feet (Queens Borough Datum); however, subsequent construction grading has further altered the topography. Final grades on Parcel 3 in November 2007 after construction-related backfilling and grading ranged from about elevation +4 to +5 feet. The top elevations of the current site cover are depicted on Figure 14. Backfill materials from the various sources were placed as material was available and regraded across the Property. Due to the large areas of cut and fill, variety of backfill sources and commingling of backfill material, the exact locations of material from a specific backfill source are not defined.

#### 4.5.1 Parcel 1 Soil Reuse Characterization

Prior to the start of remediation, soil samples were collected from areas outside of the known hotspots on Parcel 1 to characterize the soil for reuse. The reuse samples consisted of 33 four-part or five-part composite soil samples collected from soil borings installed from September 13 to October 4, 2005. The sampling areas represent one composite sample for every 1,000 cubic yards of soil to be reused. Borings were advanced to the planned depth of the construction cut. Samples were analyzed for the SSAL parameters TCL VOCs, TCL BN SVOCs, PCBs, pesticides, arsenic, cadmium, lead, mercury, silver and reactive cyanide.

Laboratory analytical results for the Parcel 1 soil characterized for reuse are provided in Tables 13a to 13d. The Parcel 1 soil sample locations for reuse characterization are depicted on Figure 16.

If the composite sample concentrations exceeded an SSAL, the individual components of the composite were analyzed separately for that parameter to narrow the location of the exceedance. Soil from areas where representative samples met the SSALs was excavated for reuse elsewhere on the Property (Parcels 1, 2 and 3). Two additional remedial hotspots (WC-37B and WC-42) were identified by sample results from the reuse characterization. These areas were subsequently excavated as part of the Parcel 1 remediation.

#### 4.5.2 Demolition Material Reuse Characterization

Prior to demolition of the buildings on the Property, representative chip samples of brick and concrete were collected on December 14, 2005 to characterize the material for reuse as backfill. The samples were collected as three-point composites of similar sources for a total of two brick samples and eight concrete samples submitted for analysis of TCL VOCs, TCL BN SVOCs, PCBs, pesticides, and TAL metals. Laboratory analytical results for the brick and concrete samples are provided in Tables 14a to 14d.

Eight of these 10 samples met the SSALs. The two that did not, CE-CONC-8 and CE-CONC-9, exceeded the SSAL for total SVOCs due to elevated concentrations of isophorone. Isophorone diamine is a major (20-50%) ingredient in a concrete primer and moisture sealant product and, therefore, is likely bound into the concrete matrix. Based on the sample results, the NYSDEC approved all the brick and concrete generated during demolition for crushing and reuse as backfill.

#### 4.5.3 Buried Concrete Reuse Characterization

To assess the possibility of reusing buried concrete, AKRF initially collected three grab samples representative of three different types of buried concrete that was excavated from the Property. On April 14, 2006, three grab samples were collected, two of which (CE-CONC UST-11 and CE CONC GB-13) were biased toward areas where higher contaminant concentrations would be expected, based on the contaminant concentrations in the soil surrounding the concrete. The samples were chipped from the surface of the concrete, and then washed using a bristle brush and distilled water. The samples were analyzed for TCL VOCs, TCL BN SVOCs, PCBs, pesticides, arsenic, cadmium, lead, mercury, silver, and reactive cyanide. Laboratory analytical results for the buried concrete samples are provided in Tables 15a to 15d.

The laboratory results indicated concentrations for all parameters were well below the SSALs for all three samples. Based on the results of these initial three samples of buried concrete, AKRF prepared a work plan modification to wash, crush and reuse the buried concrete (Modification No. 5 to the Revised OU-1 RAWP dated May 2, 2006). This Modification was approved by NYSDEC.

Subsequent stockpiles of buried concrete were tested via collection of one representative composite sample per 300 cubic yards of material from each segregated source type (e.g., catch basins, buried slabs, etc.). Samples were analyzed for the SSAL parameters: TCL VOCs, TCL BN SVOCs, PCBs, pesticides, arsenic, cadmium, lead, mercury, silver, and reactive cyanide. As shown on Tables 15a to 15d, the washed buried concrete samples met the SSAL criteria, and such concrete was, therefore, crushed and reused on-site as backfill.

#### 4.5.4 Imported Backfill Characterization

AKRF personnel investigated potential source sites for backfill materials by researching the property, visually inspecting the soil and/or rock, screening the material with a PID, and collecting representative composite samples at the source site (with the exception of the Amboy Aggregates facility discussed below). The soil and rock samples were

submitted for analysis of TCL VOCs, TCL BN SVOCs, PCBs, pesticides and TAL metals. Laboratory analytical results of samples of imported fill sources are provided in Tables 16a to 16d. Based on the laboratory analytical data, the NYSDEC approved these sites as acceptable sources of backfill prior to import to the Property.

The sand from Amboy Aggregates was originally brought to the Property for use in construction of the flood control sandbags. After remediation excavation was completed, a composite sample of the sandbag contents material was analyzed for TCL VOCs, TCL BN SVOCs, PCBs, pesticides and TAL metals. Concentrations were less that the TAGM 4046 RSCOs; therefore, this material was acceptable for use as backfill material.

Backfill materials were brought to the Property between November 2005 and November 2007 from the following sites:

- Approximately 4,543 tons (approximately 2,596 cubic yards) of bedrock from a construction site on East 119<sup>th</sup> Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue in New York, NY;
- Approximately 44,413 tons (approximately 25,379 cubic yards) of bedrock from the DEP Croton Water Treatment Plant construction site in Bronx, NY;
- Approximately 102 tons (approximately 58 cubic yards) of sand from the Continental Aggregates Corp. quarry in Clinton, NJ;
- Approximately 220 tons (approximately 126 cubic yards) of sand from the Amboy Aggregates facility in South Amboy, NJ.
- Approximately 6,731 tons (approximately 3,846 cubic yards) of gravel from the Tilcon Mt. Hope quarry in Wharton, NJ.

AKRF inspected the material brought to the Property and confirmed the appearance and texture were consistent with the material sampled. Due to the large areas of cut and fill, variety of backfill sources and commingling of backfill material, the exact locations of material from a specific backfill source are not defined. A summary of the material received from off-site sources is provided in Tables 17a to 17f. Tickets documenting imported material source, date, and weight or volume are provided in Appendix N.

#### 4.6 RESIDUAL CONTAMINATION REMAINING ON-SITE

Some residual contamination remains on Parcel 3 after completion of the remedial activities summarized in Section 4.2. Post remediation soil handling and health and safety procedures were defined under the Site Management Plan (provided in Appendix A) for three Residual Management Zones - A, B and C. Specifically, the following known or potential contamination remains on Parcel 3:

- Residual Management Zone C Soil with concentrations greater than the SSALs for PCBs and/or pesticides was identified in bottom endpoint samples collected from discrete areas below the water table on Parcel 3. This area is identified as Residual Management Zone C in the SMP. The locations and elevations of Residual Management Zone C are depicted in Figure 15.
- Residual Management Zone B Endpoint samples indicated that soil in place beneath the remedial excavations largely met the SSALs; however, this would not preclude higher concentrations between the endpoint locations. In addition, following the remedial excavations, significant additional excavation occurred prior to foundation construction. As such, remaining soils may exceed the Part 375 SCOs for Restricted Residential Use and these

soils are considered Residual Management Zone B. The elevations of the top of Residual Management Zone B are depicted on Figure 12.

- **Residual Management Zone A** Soil with concentrations that meet SSALs, but may be greater than the Part 375 SCOs for Restricted Residential Use was identified in backfill material used beneath the site cover across the Property (largely soil from Parcel 1 reused as backfill). The locations and elevations of the current site cover are shown on Figure 14. The previously placed backfill directly beneath the site cover is considered Residual Management Zone A.
- Groundwater with concentrations greater than the Class GA standards for PCBs, pesticides total metals, and/or dissolved metals was identified in samples collected in post-remediation monitoring wells on Parcel 3.

Please note that this residual contamination on Parcel 3 may extend outside of the Property boundaries.

Since residual contaminated soil and groundwater exist beneath the Parcel 3 after completion of the Remedial Action, Institutional and Engineering Controls are required to protect human health and the environment. These Engineering and Institutional Controls (ECs/ICs) are described in this section. Long-term management of these EC/ICs and residual contamination will be performed under a SMP, provided electronically in Appendix A of this FER. Natural attenuation monitoring of groundwater will also be performed under the SMP.

#### 4.6.1 Soil

The remedial excavation of soil extended until endpoint samples were less than the respective SSALs, or until the excavation proceeded as far below the water table as practicable. As such, bottom endpoint samples collected on Parcel 3 of the Property identified several areas below the water table where residual contaminant concentrations were in exceedance of the SSALs for PCBs and/or pesticides. Sidewall samples collected at the Property boundaries of Parcel 3 indicate residual concentrations greater than the SSALs for PCBs (including concentrations greater than 50 ppm), arsenic, lead and mercury. This residual contamination above the SSALs in the sidewall samples collected at the perimeter of the Property indicate that contamination most likely extends outside of the Property boundaries.

The areas of residual contamination with concentrations greater than the SSALs on Parcel 3 are below the water table, between 7 feet and 8 feet below the site cover. Exceedances of the SSALs in the post-excavation bottom samples on Parcel 3 were identified as follows:

- PCBs Two final bottom endpoint samples on Parcel 3 exceeded the SSAL for PCBs with a maximum concentration of 28.0 ppm; and
- Pesticides One final bottom endpoint sample on Parcel 3 exceeded the SSAL for pesticides with a maximum concentration of 1.4 ppm for Dieldrin.

Exceedances of the SSALs in the post-excavation sidewall samples on the property boundary in Parcel 3 were identified as follows:

• PCBs – Ten final sidewall samples on Parcel 3 exceeded the SSAL for PCBs with a maximum concentrations of 230.0 ppm;

- Arsenic Two final sidewall samples on Parcel 3 exceeded the SSAL for arsenic with a maximum concentration of 73.3 ppm;
- Mercury Two final sidewall samples on Parcel 3 exceeded the SSAL for mercury with a maximum concentration of 20.4 ppm; and
- Lead One final sidewall sample on Parcel 3 exceeded the SSAL for lead with a maximum concentration of 550.0 ppm.

The endpoint sample results compared with SSALs (including the endpoint samples with SSAL exceedances that were subsequently excavated) are summarized in Table 10. A summary of all Property-wide final endpoint samples with concentrations greater than the SSALs is provided as Table 12. Figure 15 (spider map) summarizes results of all final endpoint soil samples remaining at the Property after completion of Remedial Action that exceed the SSALs. Figure 15 also shows the surveyed elevations of the top of the Residual Management Zone C.

Although the SSALs were the comparison standard for remediation purposes, the soil analytical results were also compared to Part 375 SCOs for Unrestricted Use (Track 1) and Restricted Residential Use for informational purposes in accordance with current NYSDEC guidance. The Part 375 regulation was promulgated in December 2006, after remedial excavation and a majority of the backfilling was completed on Parcel 3. Parcel 3 has an Environmental Easement; therefore, the Restricted Residential SCOs would be the applicable standard. The laboratory results of the post-excavation endpoint samples which represented the final extent of excavation compared to the Part 375 SCOs for Unrestricted Use and Restricted Residential Use are provided in Tables 11a to 11e (with exceedances of each SCO highlighted).

#### 4.6.2 Groundwater

Prior to remediation, groundwater samples from monitoring wells on Parcel 3 contained low level exceedances of Class GA standards for PCBs, pesticides, VOCs, PCBs, pesticides, total metals, and/or dissolved metals. In addition, LNAPL containing PCBs was identified on Parcel 3. Post-remediation groundwater sampling is being conducted to monitor the levels of residual groundwater contamination. Twelve of the 16 post-remediation monitoring wells on the Property are located on Parcel 3. Post-remediation groundwater samples collected on Parcel 3 to date have identified PCBs, VOCs, SVOCs, pesticides, and metals at concentrations greater than the Class GA standards. However, it is anticipated that the removal of nearly all the identified contaminated soil from Parcel 3 (and Parcels 1 and 2) will result in a decrease in groundwater contaminant levels in the future.

Groundwater contaminant distribution and concentrations do not indicate that active groundwater remediation is warranted given the extensive scope of the soil removal remediation performed. The detected groundwater concentrations were not clustered as in a typical contaminant plume. The continued risk of impact to human health or the environment from groundwater contamination is very low given that the environmental easement on the Property prohibits future use of groundwater and the SMP established protocol for future soil disturbance.

The post-remediation monitoring well locations are shown on Figure 17 and the analytical results for the post-remediation samples collected to date are provided in Tables 18a to 18f. Post-remediation groundwater elevations and concentrations have

been variable, likely due to continued soil disturbance and dewatering from construction activities. Groundwater monitoring for natural attenuation will continue to be performed as defined in Section 3.0 of the Site Management Plan, a digital copy of which is included in Appendix A. Annual Site Management Reports will include a summary of groundwater analytical data and an updated groundwater flow map.

#### 4.7 ENGINEERING CONTROL SYSTEMS

Residual contamination is present on Parcel 3, and ECs were implemented to protect public health and the environment in the future. The Engineering Control System on Parcel 2 is a composite cover system consisting of asphalt or, concrete building slabs and other concrete. In the future, the cover system may also include a minimum of two (2) feet of clean fill.

Procedures for operating and maintaining the site cover are documented in the Operation and Maintenance Plan in Section 4.0 of the SMP. The procedures for monitoring the systems are included in Section 3.0, Monitoring Plan of the SMP. The Monitoring Plan also addresses inspection procedures that must occur after any severe weather condition has taken place that may affect the ECs.

#### 4.7.1 Composite Cover System

Exposure to residual contaminated soils is prevented by an engineered, composite cover system that has been built on Parcel 3. This composite cover system is currently comprised of asphalt or concrete. In the future, the cover system may also include a minimum of two (2) feet of clean fill. Figure13a shows the NYSDEC-approved design for each current remedial cover type used on Parcels 1, 2 and 3 of the Property, and Figure 13b shows the future anticipated cover type for the planned development. A survey of the current site cover is provided as Figure 14. A Soil Management Plan is included in Appendix D of the SMP, and outlines the procedures required in the event the composite cover system and underlying residual contamination are disturbed. The Soil Management Plan is also discussed in detail in Section 2.3.2 of the SMP. Issues related to maintenance of this cover are provided in the Monitoring Plan included in Section 3.0 of the SMP.

As part of future development activities, a new, additional site cover may be placed at a revised ground surface elevation and the current site cover may remain intact as a subsurface layer. Imported backfill that may be placed over the former site cover would meet the requirements outlined in Section 2.3.2.9 of the SMP. Any changes in the site cover components or Residuals Management Zone would meet the requirements of this SMP and be detailed in the Annual Site Management Report. Figure 13b shows the location of the anticipated final cover on the Property. The final development is depicted on Figure 3.

#### 4.8 INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS

A series of Institutional Controls are required under the RAWP to implement, maintain and monitor Engineering Control systems and prevent future exposure to residual contamination by controlling disturbances of the subsurface soil. Adherence to these Institutional Controls is required under the Environmental Easement and will be implemented under the SMP attached to this FER. These Institutional Controls for the Parcel (Controlled Property) are:

• Compliance with the Environmental Easement by the Grantee and the Grantee's successors and adherence of all elements of the SMP is required;

- All Engineering Controls must be operated and maintained as specified in the SMP;
- A composite cover system consisting of asphalt, concrete building slabs or other concrete, or a minimum of 2 feet of clean fill must be inspected, certified and maintained as required in the SMP;
- Groundwater monitoring must be performed as defined in the SMP;
- Data and information pertinent to Site Management for the Controlled Property must be reported at the frequency and in a manner defined in the SMP;
- Environmental monitoring devices, including but not limited to, groundwater monitoring
  wells must be protected and replaced as necessary to ensure proper functioning in the manner
  specified in the SMP;
- Engineering Controls may not be discontinued without an amendment or extinguishment of the Environmental Easement.

Parcel 3 (the Controlled Property) also has a series of Institutional Controls in the form of land use restrictions. Adherence to these Institutional Controls is required under the Environmental Easement. Site restrictions that apply to the Controlled Property are:

- Single family housing, vegetable gardens and farming on the Controlled Property are prohibited;
- A school or day care facility on the Controlled Property is prohibited;
- Use of groundwater underlying the Controlled Property is prohibited without treatment rendering it safe for the intended purpose;
- All future activities on the Controlled Property that will disturb Residual Management Zones (beneath the site cover) are prohibited unless they are conducted in accordance with the soil management provisions in the SMP;
- The Controlled Property may be used for Restricted Residential use as defined in 6 NYCRR 375-1.8(g)(2)(ii) only, provided that the long-term Engineering and Institutional Controls included in the SMP remain in use:
- The Controlled Property may not be used for a less restricted level of use, such as residential use, without an amendment or the extinguishment of the Environmental Easement and NYSDEC and NYSDOH approval; and
- Grantor of Environmental Easement or successor to submit to NYSDEC and NYSDOH a written statement that certifies, under penalty of perjury, that: (1) controls employed at the Controlled Property are unchanged from the previous certification or that any changes to the controls were approved by the NYSDEC and NYSDOH; and, (2) nothing has occurred that impairs the ability of the controls to protect public health and environment or that constitute a violation or failure to comply with the SMP. NYSDEC retains the right to access such Controlled Property at any time in order to evaluate the continued maintenance of any and all controls. This certification shall be submitted annually, or an alternate period of time that NYSDEC may allow. This annual statement must be certified by an expert that the NYSDEC finds acceptable; and
- No occupied structures are planned on Parcel 3. NYSDEC and NYSDOH approval will be required on subslab and slab design elements in the event that occupied structures are planed on Parcel 3 at a later date.

The environmental easement will include: a description of the use restrictions; a map showing the area of the restrictions; and a copy of the NYSDEC-approved SMP. Prior to recording the environmental easement, notification of the intent to establish the institutional controls will be sent to all adjacent property owners, NYSDOH, New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and the Queens County Clerk's office. The property deed and all subsequent instruments of conveyance will contain language indicating that the site is subject to the environmental easement.

#### 4.9 DEVIATIONS FROM THE REMEDIAL ACTION WORK PLAN

The remediation and activities were completed substantial conformance with the NYSDEC-approved IRMWP and RAWP for Parcel 3. Deviations from the IRMWP and RAWP, other than approved modifications, are summarized below:

- Sections 8.2 and 8.3 of the September 2005 IRMWP indicated that Milestone Update Reports and a final IRM Report would be prepared. Since all subsurface remedial activities occurred within the same time-frame, these activities were summarized in daily and monthly reports, and detailed in this FER. The spill numbers will be closed under the BCP.
- A March 2005 SWPPP was attached as Appendix E to the September 2005 IRMWP. This
  version of the SWPPP was superseded by versions dated February 2006 and June 2006,
  which were prepared based on updated conditions on the Property. A SWPPP for the
  remainder of construction was prepared by Langan Engineering & Environmental in August
  2007.

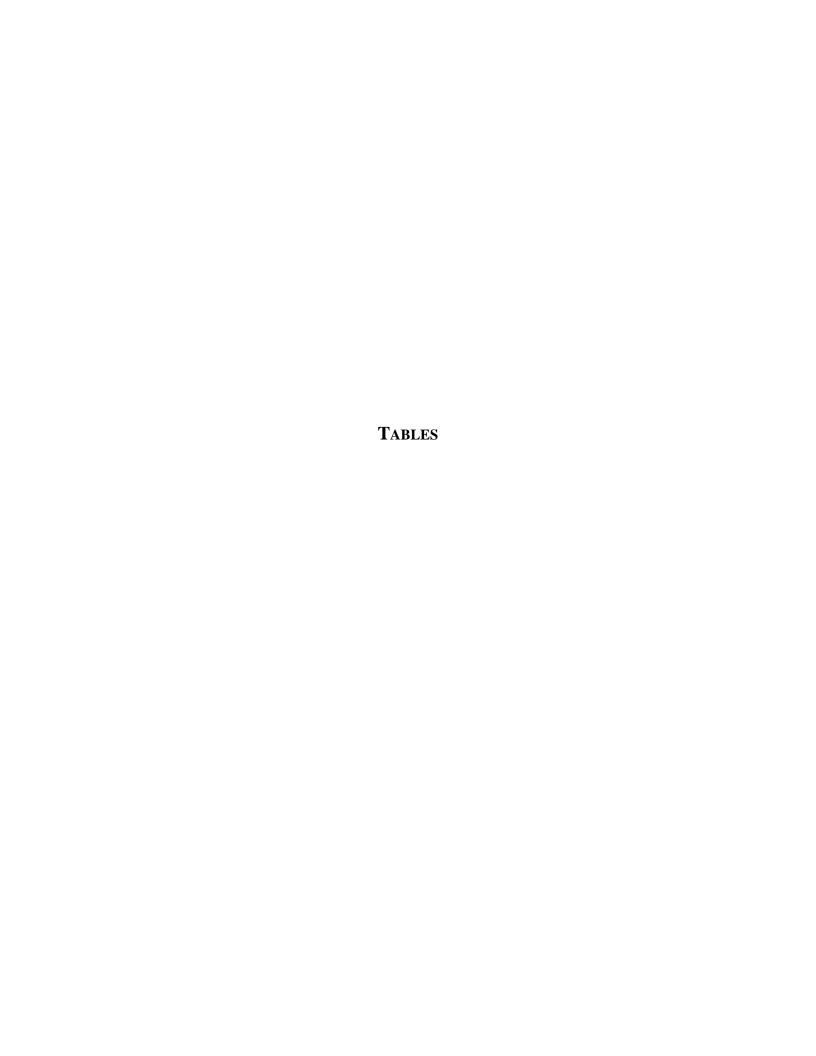
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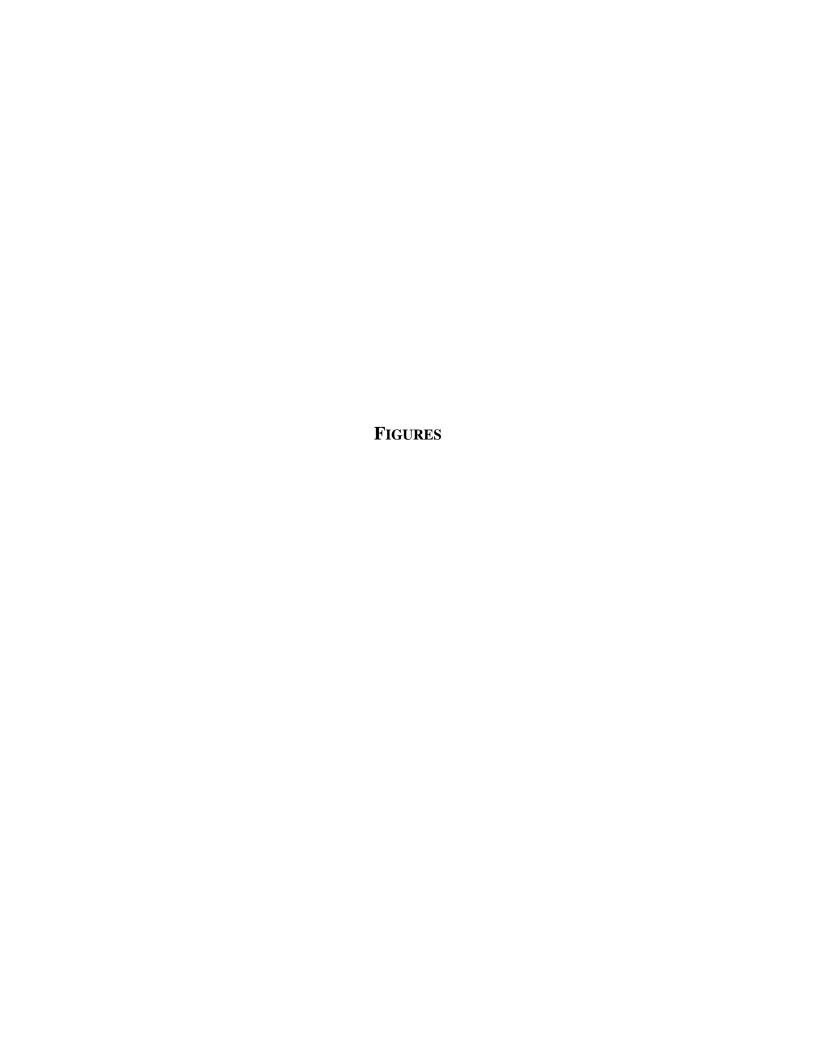
Detailed costs incurred to date are included in Appendix O. Work associated with the remediation included the following:

- Remedial investigation activities;
- Engineering and remedial action plan development;
- Environmental oversight and monitoring;
- Remedial construction;
- Transportation and disposal of contaminated soil and liquids;
- Importing of clean fill; and
- Preparation of remediation close-out documents.

#### 4.11 SITE MANAGEMENT PLAN

An SMP was prepared to manage residual contamination on Parcel 3 and is included on a CD attached in Appendix A. Separate SMPs were prepared for Parcels 1 and 2 of the Property. The SMP describes procedures and protocols for post-remediation disturbance of soil and groundwater during future maintenance activities and long-term use. The SMP includes four plans: an Engineering and Institutional Control Plan for implementation and management of institutional and engineering controls; a Monitoring Plan for implementation of site monitoring; an Operation and Maintenance Plan for implementation of the remedial cover and the groundwater monitoring system; and a Site Management Reporting Plan for submittal of data, information, recommendations and certifications to NYSDEC. Attachments to the SMP include a Soil Management Plan and Construction Health and Safety Plan, which further detail procedures for work in residual contaminated areas.





## APPENDIX A FILES OF MAJOR PROJECT DOCUMENTS (2 CDs)

## APPENDIX B PARCEL 3 METES AND BOUNDS

# APPENDIX C LABORATORY ANALYTICAL REPORTS (2 DVDs)

## APPENDIX D FACT SHEET WITH SIGNIFICANT THREAT DETERMINATION NOTICE

### APPENDIX E ENVIRONMENTAL EASEMENT

# APPENDIX F RESUMES OF PROJECT STAFF (CD)

## APPENDIX G REMEDIATION-RELATED PERMITS AND APPROVALS

# APPENDIX H AIR MONITORING LOGS (CD)

# APPENDIX I DAILY AND MONTHLY REPORTS (CD)

# $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{APPENDIX J} \\ \textbf{REMEDIATION PHOTOGRAPHS AND PHOTO LOG} \\ \textbf{(DVD)} \end{array}$

## APPENDIX K LIQUID WASTE DISPOSAL DOCUMENTATION

## APPENDIX L TANK REMOVAL DOCUMENTATION

## APPENDIX M SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL DOCUMENTATION (DVD)

WASTE HAULER PERMITS
DISPOSAL FACILITY APPROVAL LETTERS
FACILITY PERMITS
WASTE MANIFESTS

# APPENDIX N IMPORTED BACKFILL BILLS OF LADING (CD)

## APPENDIX O REMEDIAL AND DEVELOPMENT COSTS