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Brownfield Cleanup Program

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Site Name: 5 Scobie Drive **DEC Site #:** C336085 Address: 5 Scobie Drive

Newburgh, NY 12550

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Report Recommends Cleanup of Brownfield Site Contamination

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) is reviewing the Remedial Investigation Report for the 5 Scobie Drive site ("site") located at 5 Scobie Drive, Newburgh, Orange County. Please see the map for the site location. Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the location(s) identified below under "Where to Find Information."

Remedial Investigation Report

NYSDEC is reviewing the "Remedial Investigation Report" that was submitted by 5 Scobie Partners, LLC and City of Newburgh Industrial Development Agency ("applicant(s)"). The report describes the results of the site investigation and recommends development of a remedy to address the contamination that was found.

Highlights of the Remedial Investigation Report

Primary Contaminants

A Remedial Investigation was conducted on the site in 2014. The primary contaminants of concern are semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) and metals in surface soils, subsurface soils, groundwater, surface water, and sediments. Soil vapor intrusion was not evaluated because no structures currently exist on-site.

Contamination of surface soils

SVOCs and metals were detected above Industrial Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) at four surface soils sample locations. The impacts are most likely associated with ash and unburned coal ash, which was found to be widespread across the site and intermixed with other typical industrial wastes (e.g. remnant vinyl pieces) and municipal wastes (e.g. wood, tires, bottles, cans, etc.,). Benzo(a)pyrene and arsenic were the primary contaminants exceeding the industrical SCOs.

Contamination of subsurface soils

In subsurface soils, SVOCs and metals were detected above their respective SCOs at seven locations in the disturbed fill and only for the following constituents: benzo(a)pyrene, arsenic, lead, and mercury. Visual observation of solid waste, discolored soils, and ash deposits were observed, as well as odors associated with municipal wastes. Deeper native subsurface soils are not impacted from the historic landfilling which indicates minimal vertical migration of contamination.

Groundwater contamination

Groundwater at the site is impacted by VOCs, SVOCs, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), and metals, as well as some indicators of leachate impacts.

Surface water and sediment contamination

Surface water and sediment in the ponded north of the site were impacted with SVOCs, and metals. The contaminants are similar to those found in surface soils, subsurface soils, and groundwater. However, the ponded area also receives runoff from other adjacent urban areas including I-84 and the neighboring industrial/commercial properties.

Human health risk

The human health exposure assessment indicated persons who enter the unfenced site could contact contaminants in the soil by walking on the site, digging, or otherwise disturbing the soil. People are not drinking the contaminated groundwater because the area is served by a public water supply. Contaminants in groundwater may move into soil vapor which can enter into overlying buildings and affect indoor air quality. However, no buildings currently exist on the site.

Based on investigations performed to date, it is concluded that the site does not present a significant threat to human health or the environment.

Next Steps

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

NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

Background

Location: The 5 Scobie Drive Site is located in an urban area about 0.5 mile east of the exit 9 off I-84, and directly southeast of I-84. See attached Site Figure.

Site Features: The entire site is vacant and overgrown. A ponded drainage tributary of Gidneytown Creek runs along the northern part of the site along I-84. Flow is intermittent in the storm water channel to the east of ponded tributary. Groundwater from the site appears to flow into this drainage. The site is generally flat with a slight downward slope to the north and east. A significant 15-20 foot slope exists at south-southwest site boundary which rises toward the City-owned Department of Public Works (DPW) facility property. Portions of this slope are both on and off site.

Current Zoning/Use(s): The site is vacant but is zoned industrial. The site is bounded to the northwest by Interstate I-84, to the west and south by the former DuPont-Stauffer Chemical Manufacturing site and City of Newburgh DPW facility, and to the east by two ongoing commercial/industrial enterprises at the end of Scobie Drive.

Historical Use(s): The site operated as an unpermitted landfill, reportedly accepting municipal

and possibly industrial and incinerator waste from the late 1940s until 1962. The majority of the site ceased operating as a landfill in 1962 when the New York State Department of Transportation acquired the property for use as an off-ramp for I-84. However, a portion of the proposed Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) site was part of the area that continued to be operated by the City of Newburgh as an unpermitted landfill until 1976. The landfill has not been closed in accordance with the NYSDEC's Solid Waste Regulations (Part 360).

A 2002 First Environment Report produced for the City of Newburgh, as well as a 2009 NYSDEC Site Characterization, indicate that degraded drums and waste associated with the DuPont-Stauffer Landfill site have been observed on the 5 Scobie Drive parcel. Some of the drums found on the City Landfill (immediately adjacent to the 5 Scobie Drive site) have been found to contain hazardous waste.

Both the site owner (Newburgh IDA) and the owner of a local lighting manufacturing company entered into a BCP Agreement with the NYSDEC in July 2013. A Remedial Investigation is underway.

Site Geology and Hydrogeology: Bedrock below the site consists of limestone or dolomitic limestone of the Ordovician age Wappingers Group. Surface geology at the site consists primarily of reworked native soils, thickest in central portion of the site, and solid waste underlain by silty clay (glacial till). Groundwater was generally not encountered in the shallow soils beneath the site. The water table ranges from about 4 feet below ground surface (bgs) on the northern portion of the site, to almost 20 feet bgs at the southwestern site boundary. Groundwater flow is generally towards the ponded and intermittent drainage feature which flows into Gidneytown Creek to the east and north of the site.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's website at:

http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/haz/details.cfm?pageid=3&progno=C336085

Brownfield Cleanup Program: New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) encourages the voluntary cleanup of contaminated properties known as "brownfields" so that they can be reused and redeveloped. These uses may include recreation, housing, business or other uses.

A **brownfield** is any real property that is difficult to reuse or redevelop because of the presence or potential presence of contamination.

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

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Where to Find Information

Project documents are available at the following location(s) to help the public stay informed.

Newburgh Free Library Attn: J. Stiller 124 Grand Street Newburgh, NY 12550 phone: 845-291-2332 New York State Department of Conservation New Paltz Headquarters 21 South Putt Corners New Paltz, NY 12561

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Who to Contact

Comments and questions are always welcome and should be directed as follows:

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