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LIST OF ACRONYMS

Acronym	Definition
ASP	Analytical Services Protocol
AST	aboveground storage tank
AWQSGV	Ambient Water Quality Standards and Guidance Values
BCA	Brownfield Cleanup Agreement
BCP	Brownfield Cleanup Program
bgs	below ground surface
BTEX	A group of VOCs comprising benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes
C&D	construction and demolition
CAMP	Community Air Monitoring Plan
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
COC	Contaminants of Concern
CP	Commissioner's Policy
CPP	Citizen Participation Plan
CVOC	chlorinated volatile organic compound
DD	Decision Document
DER	Division of Environmental Remediation
DMM	Division of Materials Management
DPP	direct-push probe
DUSR	Data Usability Summary Report
EC	Engineering Control
ECL	Environmental Conservation Law
EE	Environmental Easement
ELAP	New York State Environmental Laboratory Approval Program
EPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency
ESA	Environmental Site Assessment
FER	Final Engineering Report
GCM	Gross Contaminated Material
GPR	ground penetrating radar
GPS	Global Positioning System
HASP	Health and Safety Plan
HREC	Historic Recognized Environmental Conditions
IC	Institutional Control
MEK	methyl ethyl ketone (2-butanone)
mg/kg	milligrams per kilogram
MGP	manufactured gas plant
MS/MSD	matrix spike/matrix spike duplicate
NAPL	non-aqueous phase liquid
NTU	nephelometric turbidity units
NY	New York

Acronym	Definition
NYC	New York City
NYCDEP	New York City Department of Environmental Protection
NYCDOB	New York City Department of Buildings
NYCDOT	New York City Department of Transportation
NYCOER	New York City Office of Environmental Remediation
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
OSHA	United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PAH	polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon
PCB	polychlorinated biphenyl
PCE	tetrachloroethylene
PDI	Pre-Design Investigation
PFAS	per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances
PFOA	perfluorooctanoic acid
PFOS	perfluorooctanesulfonic acid
PGWSCO	Protection of Groundwater Soil Cleanup Objective
PID	photoionization detector
ppm	parts per million
Ppt	parts per trillion
PVC	polyvinyl chloride
QA	quality assurance
QAPP	Quality Assurance Project Plan
QC	quality control
QEP	Qualified Environmental Professional
QHHEA	Qualitative Human Health Exposure Assessment
RAWP	Remedial Action Work Plan
RE	Remedial Engineer
REC	Recognized Environmental Condition
RI	Remedial Investigation
RIR	Remedial Investigation Report
RIWP	Remedial Investigation Work Plan
RR	Restricted Residential
RRSCO	Restricted Residential Soil Cleanup Objective
SCG	Standards, Criteria, and Guidance
SIM	Selective Ion Monitoring
SMMP	Soil/Materials Management Plan
SMP	Site Management Plan
SOE	support of excavation

Acronym	Definition
SVOC	semivolatile organic compound
SWPPP	Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan
TAL	Target Analyte List
TCE	trichloroethylene
TCL	Target Compound List
TCLP	Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure
TOGS	Technical Operational and Guidance Series
UST	underground storage tank
UU	Unrestricted Use
UUSCO	Unrestricted Use Soil Cleanup Objective
VEC	Vapor Encroachment Condition
VOC	volatile organic compound
µg/kg	micrograms per kilogram
µg/L	micrograms per liter
$\mu g/m^3$	micrograms per cubic meter

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This Remedial Investigation (RI) Work Plan (RIWP) has been prepared by AKRF, Inc. (AKRF) on behalf of 260 N LLC (the "Applicant") for the property located at 260 North Avenue in New Rochelle, Westchester County, New York (the Site). The workplan is being submitted concurrently with a New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) Application and is designed to properly characterize environmental conditions at the Site and support development of a remedial plan in accordance with BCP requirements. The approximately 0.75-acre Site, which is also referred to as Tax Parcel ID 1-229-0030, is bounded to the north by the intersection of North Avenue and Huguenot Street, followed by commercial and office buildings; to the east by North Avenue, followed by a one-story brick building occupied by United States Postal Service and a 28-story mixed-use building; to the south by a two-story brick commercial building occupied by office, restaurant, and retail uses; and to the west by Lawton Street and Huguenot Street, followed by Ruby Dee Park, a multi-story residential building, and a vacant undeveloped lot. A Site location map is provided on Figure 1.

The RIWP is designed to properly characterize environmental conditions at the Site and support development of a remedial plan in accordance with BCP requirements. AKRF performed a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) (April 2026) and conducted a limited Phase II ESA subsurface investigation at the Site. Laboratory results of soil samples analyzed from the investigation identified elevated concentrations of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) [benzo(a)anthracene, benzo(a)pyrene, benzo(b)fluoranthene, benzo(g,h,i)perylene, benzo(k)fluoranthene, chrysene, dibenzo(a,h)anthracene, indeno(1,2,3-c,d)pyrene, and phenanthrene] and metals (arsenic, barium, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, copper, lead, mercury, nickel, and zinc) in soil; metals (antimony, iron, lead, manganese, and sodium) in groundwater; and chlorinated solvent-related volatile organic compounds (VOCs), tetrachloroethylene (PCE) and trichloroethylene (TCE), and petroleum-related compounds [benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylenes, collectively referred to as "BTEX"] in the soil vapor samples.

The preliminary proposed redevelopment of the Site entails construction of a 28-story, mixed-use building with a cellar. The design for the redevelopment is still underway, and additional details will be included in the Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP).

This RIWP describes the procedures to be used to further delineate and/or define the nature and extent of the contamination identified in on-site soil, groundwater, and soil vapor and to establish remedial action objectives. It has been prepared in accordance with 6 New York Codes, Rules, and Regulations (NYCRR) Part 375 and the NYSDEC Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) Technical Guidance for Site Investigation and Remediation (DER-10), dated May 2010. All work will be completed in accordance with this RIWP, which includes a Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) as Appendix A, a Health and Safety Plan (HASP) as Appendix B, and a Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) as Appendix C. The CAMP will be implemented during all subsurface disturbance activities at the Site, including, but not limited to: soil boring advancement; monitoring well installation and development; soil and soil vapor sampling; and backfilling of boreholes. Only work zone monitoring will be conducted during groundwater sampling. The data compiled from the RI will be used to prepare the RAWP.

Contact information for the parties responsible for the work described in this RIWP are included in In-Text Table 1:

Table 1
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2.0 SITE DESCRIPTION AND HISTORY

2.1 Site Description and Surrounding Land Use

The approximately 0.75-acre Site is located at 260 North Avenue in New Rochelle, Westchester County, New York, also identified as Tax Parcel ID 1-229-0030. The Site is developed with a two-story masonry building with a full cellar in the northeast portion occupied by Citizens Bank and an asphalt-paved parking lot and a drive-thru ATM located in the western portion of the building. The cellar contains conference rooms, electrical utility rooms, a boiler room, and storage areas. The building is heated by a natural gas-fired boiler and electric cooling system with roof-mounted condensing units. The boiler room contains a sump pit, which is reportedly connected to the storm sewer. The building is currently occupied by Citizens Bank and will be vacated prior to remediation. Concrete sidewalks are present immediately north, east, and west of the Site. A Site Location Map is provided as Figure 1, a Land Use Map is provided as Figure 2, and a Site Plan is provided as Figure 3.

The Site is bounded to the north by the intersection of North Avenue and Huguenot Street, followed by commercial and office buildings; to the east by North Avenue, followed by a one-story brick building occupied by United States Postal Service and a 28-story mixed-use building; to the south by a two-story brick commercial building occupied by office, restaurant, and retail uses; and to the west by Lawton Street and Huguenot Street, followed by Ruby Dee Park, a multi-story residential building, and a vacant undeveloped lot. The closest water body is Echo Bay located approximately 2,500 feet to the southeast of the Site. The surrounding area is predominantly commercial, with some residential and municipal uses.

2.2 Site Geology, Hydrogeology, and Subsurface Characteristics

Based on the United States Geological Survey (USGS), Mount Vernon, NY 2023 Quadrangle map, the Subject Property is approximately 85 to 90 feet above the North American Vertical Datum (NAVD) of 1988, an approximation of mean sea level.

Based on a Limited Subsurface (Phase II) Investigation performed at the Site by AKRF between January and March 2026, soil beneath the Site consisted of fill material (sand, silt, and gravel, with varying amounts of asphalt and brick) extending to various depths ranging from surface grade up to 18 feet below ground surface (bgs). Apparent weathered bedrock was encountered between 10 and 20 feet bgs. Groundwater was observed above the weathered bedrock in select borings at depths ranging from 7.5 to 17 feet bgs. Groundwater is assumed to flow in a southeasterly direction towards Echo Bay, approximately 2,500 feet away. However, actual groundwater flow can be affected by many factors including underground utilities, bedrock, and other factors beyond the scope of this study. There are no surface water bodies or streams at or adjacent to the Site. Groundwater is not used as a source of potable water in New Rochelle and no known public or private drinking water supply wells are present within ½ mile of the Site.

During AKRF's Site inspection in March 2026, conducted as part of the Phase I ESA, a sump pump room was observed in the cellar within the boiler room. The building technician confirmed that the sump is connected to the storm sewer system. Standing water was observed within the sump pump during AKRF's inspection; however, no staining, floating petroleum product, or sheens indicative of a material release were noted in connection with the sump or other drainage structures. The presence of subsurface utilities will also be evaluated during the geophysical survey performed as part of the RI. The findings will help understand if the subsurface utilities influence contaminant migration on- or off-site.

2.3 Public Participation

A review of the existing uses within the surrounding area of the Site identified public recreational use at the Ruby Dee Park, located across Lawton Street to the southwest of the Site. Therefore, CAMP monitoring will focus on not allowing any dust or vapors to leave the boundary of the Site. Twelve closed BCP remediation sites and seven active BCP remediation sites are located within ¼ miles of the Site. A Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) will be prepared and submitted to NYSDEC under separate cover. The CPP provides for ongoing updates to the public regarding the investigation and remediation and allows for involvement regarding the environmental investigation and cleanup of the Site.

2.4 Site History

Based on review of historical fire insurance (Sanborn) maps, the Site was developed with a carriage factory, a livery, and stores as early as 1887. Between 1896 and 1903, additional uses were identified including laundry, a confectionary, saloons, a grocery store, hay and feed shop, and dwellings. In 1911, Borders Condensed Milk Co. bottling facility occupied the central portion of the Site and Lafayette Hotel was located in the southwestern portion. Additional uses included a blacksmith, printing shop, and tin shop. Between 1931 and 1951, the Site was developed with several stores, an electric motor printing facility (1931 map only), Lafayette Hotel, and an upholstering and paint store. The Site was shown as its current configuration on the 1990 map and was developed with a two-story bank building constructed in 1963 (noted on the map) and exterior parking lot.

3.0 PREVIOUS INVESTIGATIONS

Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, 260 North Avenue, New Rochelle, Westchester County, NY, AKRF, Inc., April 2026

AKRF conducted a Phase I ESA in April 2026, for the Site, in accordance with American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Standard E1527-21. The Phase I ESA identified the following Recognized Environmental Conditions (RECs) for the Site:

- Historical Sanborn maps identified a carriage factory at the Subject Property as early as 1887. Other notable uses included Borders Condensed Milk Co. bottling facility, a blacksmith, printing shop, tin shop, and an electric motor printing facility between approximately 1911 and 1931. Such uses may have affected the Subject Property subsurface. A Limited Subsurface (Phase II) Investigation conducted between January and March 2026 in the exterior portion of the Subject Property identified concentrations of semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) and heavy metals (including lead, arsenic, hexavalent chromium, and mercury) above the applicable standards in soil.
- A hydraulic elevator motor room was located in the building's cellar with a label indicating that the elevator was installed when the building was constructed in 1963. No information was present on the reservoir tank regarding the potential polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) content of the hydraulic fluid. Petroleum-like staining was noted on the concrete slab floor in the elevator motor room.
- The regulatory databases and historic Sanborn maps indicated the presence of past industrial uses in the surrounding area, including a dress manufacturer, machine shop, coal and wood yards, a carriage manufacturer, garages with gasoline tanks, a marble and stone cutting facility, a rubber works, auto repair shops, an awning manufacturer, jewelry manufacturer, and dry cleaners. The regulatory database also identified proximal Petroleum Bulk Storage (PBS) facilities, Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) sites, historic auto stations, and registered/historic dry cleaners.

Subsurface Phase II Investigation Report, 260 North Avenue, New Rochelle, NY, AKRF, Inc., April 2026

AKRF conducted a Limited Phase II subsurface investigation at the Site between January and March 2026. The investigation was conducted in two mobilizations with an initial subsurface investigation performed on January 12-13, 2026, and a supplemental subsurface investigation performed on March 3, 2026. The scope of work between the two mobilizations included a geophysical survey, advancement of 21 total soil borings and collection of 49 soil samples, installation of three temporary groundwater monitoring well points and collection of one groundwater sample (due to lack of groundwater within two of the well points), and installation of four temporary soil vapor points and collection of four soil vapor samples. The results of the Phase II investigation identified the following:

- *Soil* – The volatile organic compound (VOC) acetone was detected above NYSDEC Unrestricted Use Soil Cleanup Objectives (UUSCOs) in two samples. Nine semi volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) were detected above their UUSCOs, with six SVOCs [benzo(a)anthracene, benzo(a)pyrene, benzo(b)fluoranthene, dibenzo(a,h)anthracene, indeno(1,2,3-c,d)pyrene, and phenanthrene] detected above Restricted Residential Soil Cleanup Objectives (RRSCOs). Nine metals were detected at concentrations above their respective UUSCOs, with six metals including arsenic, barium, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, lead, and mercury detected above their respective RRSCOs.
- *Groundwater*– No VOCs or SVOCs were detected above the NYSDEC Class GA Ambient Water Quality Standards and Guidance Values (AWQSGVs). Five metals (antimony, iron, lead, manganese, and sodium) were detected at concentrations above the AWQSGVs in the groundwater sample analyzed for total metals. Two dissolved metals (iron and sodium) were detected at concentrations above the AWQSGVs in the groundwater sample collected.

- *Soil Vapor* – Twenty-six VOCs were detected in one or more of the soil vapor samples, including chlorinated solvents tetrachloroethylene (PCE), trichloroethylene (TCE), and certain petroleum-related compounds (1,2,4-trimethylbenzene, 1,3-butadiene, benzene, ethylbenzene, o-xylene, and toluene). The chlorinated VOC, TCE, was detected at a maximum concentration of 51 micrograms per cubic meter ($\mu g/m^3$).

The previous reports are included in Appendix D. Soil, groundwater, and soil vapor locations and exceedances from previous investigations described above are shown as Figures 4 through 6, respectively.

4.0 FIELD PROGRAM

The RI field program will focus on collecting soil, groundwater, and soil vapor data to determine the nature and extent of Site contamination to assist with determination of the appropriate remedial action. Based on the current redevelopment schedule, the RI will be completed before the current building is vacated and demolished. As such, indoor air samples will also be collected from the building cellar to evaluate potential for soil vapor intrusion. The sample locations and details are provided in the sections below.

4.1 Field Program Summary

The field sampling scope of work during the RI will consist of: a geophysical survey across the accessible portions of the Site; the advancement of 17 soil borings across the Site with continuous soil sampling and laboratory analysis of three to four soil samples per boring; the installation of six permanent groundwater monitoring wells with the collection and analysis of six groundwater samples; the installation of six subsurface soil vapor points in exterior areas with the collection and analysis of six soil vapor samples; and the installation of five sub-slab soil vapor points in the building cellar with the collection and analysis of five sub-slab soil vapor samples and five co-located indoor air samples.

The rationale for the proposed sample locations is described in Table 2 below.

Table 2
Sample Locations and Rationale

Proposed Sampling Location	Proposed Sampling Intervals (feet below existing grade)	Approximate Location	Rationale For Sampling Location
RI-SB-01/ RI-SB-02/ RI-SB-11 RI-MW-01/ RI-SV-01	0-2	Northern portion of the Site	To assess soil, groundwater, and soil vapor quality in the northern portion of the Site.
	Highest PID**		
	13-15		
	Groundwater Interface or above bedrock		
RI-SB-03/ RI-SB-04/ RI-SB-10/ RI-MW-02/ RI-SV-02/ RI-SV-06	0-2	Central portion of the Site	To assess soil and groundwater quality in the central portion of the Site.
	Highest PID**		
	13-15		
	Groundwater Interface or above bedrock		
RI-SB-05 through RI-SB-09/ RI-MW-03/ RI-MW-04/ RI-SV-03 through RI-SV-05	0-2	Southern portion of the Site	To assess soil and groundwater quality in the southern portion of the Site.
	Highest PID**		
	13-15		
	Groundwater Interface or above bedrock		
	Highest PID**		
	13-15		
	Groundwater Interface or above bedrock		

Proposed Sampling Location	Proposed Sampling Intervals (feet below existing grade)	Approximate Location	Rationale For Sampling Location
RI-SB-14 through RI-SB-16/ RI-MW-05/ RI-SSSV-01 through RI-SSSV-03/ RI-IA-01 through RI-IA-03	0-2*	Northeastern portion of the Site	To assess soil, groundwater, and soil vapor quality beneath the existing building in the northeastern portion of the Site.
	Highest PID**		
	5-10*		
	Groundwater Interface* or above bedrock		
RI-SB-12, RI-SB-13, RI-SB-17/ RI-MW-06/ RI-SSSV-04, RI-SSSV-05/ RI-IA-04, RI-IA-05	0-2*	Southeastern portion of the Site	To assess soil, groundwater, and soil vapor quality beneath the existing building in the southeastern portion of the Site.
	Highest PID**		
	5-10*		
	Groundwater Interface* or above bedrock		

Notes:
* = depth below cellar slab (approximately 10 feet below North Avenue sidewalk grade.)
**= sample collection will depend on evidence of contamination (e.g., odors, staining, PID readings) in the field. No soil samples will be collected from the saturated soil.
The sub-slab soil vapor (denoted by "SSSV" in the sample name) samples will be collected directly below the existing building slab (prior to building demolition).

The proposed sample locations are shown on Figure 3. The following sections describe the methods that will be used to complete the scope of work. Any field evidence of contamination (visual, olfactory, and/or elevated PID readings) will be recorded on logs for inclusion in the Remedial Investigation Report (RIR). All sampling equipment will be either dedicated or decontaminated between sampling locations.

4.2 Geophysical Survey and Soil Sampling

A geophysical survey will be conducted across accessible portions of the Site to investigate the potential presence of underground storage tanks (USTs) and reduce the likelihood of encountering subsurface utilities or other subsurface structures during the investigation. Ground-penetrating radar (GPR) and a magnetometer will be used, and any anomalies identified will be marked in the field using spray paint.

A Geoprobe® direct-push probe (DPP) drill rig will be used to advance up to 11 soil borings (RI-SB-01 through RI-SB-11) in the Site parking lot/exterior areas and a remote access rig will be used to advance up to six soil borings (RI-SB-12 through RI-SB-17) in the building cellar at the approximate locations shown on Figure 3 to assess soil quality across the Site and delineate previously identified areas of concern. The soil borings will be advanced to approximately 20 feet below surface grade or until refusal is encountered on bedrock or to groundwater, whichever is shallower. If refusal is encountered before the proposed boring depth, one step out boring will be completed to confirm the cause of refusal/obstruction. It is noted that no step out boring will be required if refusal is encountered on bedrock.

Soil cores will be continuously collected in 5-foot-long, 2-inch-diameter, stainless steel macrocore piston rod samplers fitted with dedicated, internal acetate liners. Soil cores will be inspected by AKRF field personnel for evidence of contamination (e.g., odors, staining), screened for the presence of VOCs with a PID equipped with a 10.6 electron volt (eV) lamp, and logged using either the modified Burmister soil classification system, the New York State Department of Transportation Soil Description Procedure, or the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS), as applicable. The PID will be calibrated in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations prior to sampling.

At soil boring locations RI-SB-01 through RI-SB-17, soil samples will be collected from just below the ground surface (0-2' interval) and the two foot interval at the proposed excavation depth (approximately 15 feet bgs) or the 2-foot interval above the groundwater interface or weathered bedrock if deeper than the proposed excavation depth. Additional sampling will occur when evidence of contamination (e.g., odors, staining, PID readings) is found and another sample does not represent the contaminated material, and at least one sample will be collected from each macro core during soil sampling.

Soil samples slated for laboratory analysis will be labeled, placed in laboratory-supplied containers, and shipped to a NYSDOH Environmental Laboratory Approval Program (ELAP)-certified laboratory via courier with appropriate chain of custody documentation in accordance with EPA protocols. The samples will be analyzed for the target compound list (TCL) and Part 375 VOCs by United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Method 8260D, SVOCs (including 1,4-dioxane) by EPA Method 8270E, PCBs by EPA Method 8082, and pesticides by EPA Method 8081, the total analyte list (TAL) of metals by EPA Method 6000/7000 series plus mercury by EPA Method 7471B and hexavalent chromium by EPA Method 7196A, and per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) by EPA Method 1633A. All laboratory analytical results will be reported using Category B deliverables.

For quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) purposes, one blind duplicate sample, matrix spike (MS)/matrix spike duplicate (MSD) sample, field blank, and trip blank will be collected for every 20 samples collected or per sample delivery group (SDG). The blind duplicate, MS/MSD, and field blank samples will be analyzed for all testing parameters previously noted; trip blank samples will be analyzed for VOCs only.

The laboratory sample data will be reviewed by a third-party validator, and a Data Usability Summary Report (DUSR) will be prepared to document the usability and validity of the data. The soil boring locations will be identified by a handheld global positioning system (GPS) unit and surveyed by a New York State-licensed surveyor. After soil sampling is complete, select borings will be converted into permanent groundwater monitoring wells, as discussed in the section below. Disposable sampling equipment (e.g., spoons, gloves, bags, paper towels, etc.) that comes into contact with environmental media will be bagged and disposed in a facility trash dumpster as non-hazardous refuse.

4.3 Monitoring Well Installation and Development

Six permanent groundwater monitoring wells will be installed as shown on Figure 3. RI-MW-01 through RI-MW-06 will be screened across the groundwater table, which is expected to be encountered at approximately eight to 15 feet below grade. All wells will be installed in accordance with the NYSDEC *Guidelines on Installation of Overburden Wells (Monitoring Wells) for Environmental Investigations*. Procedures for field screening and soil sample collection will be consistent with those described in Section 4.2 and in the QAPP (Appendix A). RI-MW-01 through RI-MW-04, installed in the Site parking lot, well will be constructed with 10 feet of 0.020-inch

slotted polyvinyl chloride (PVC) well screen. A No. 2 Morie sand pack will be installed from the bottom of each well to approximately two feet above the well screen, followed by two feet of hydrated bentonite. The remaining annular space around the well will be filled with bentonite-cement grout to approximately 0.5 feet bgs. The wells will be finished with locking j-plugs, flush-mount locking well caps, and a concrete pad. Due to access limitations in the cellar of the existing Site building, RI-MW-05 and RI-MW-06, will be installed with 1-inch diameter pre-packed well material using direct-push methods with the remote access drilling rig and screened across the groundwater table. The well will consist of factory pre-packed 0.010-inch slotted PVC well screen and PVC riser, with silica sand pack integral to the screen assembly. Upon installation, the annular space above the pre-pack will be sealed with hydrated bentonite and completed to grade with locking j-plugs, flush-mount locking well caps, and a concrete pad. No soil samples will be collected at the monitoring well locations unless visible signs of contamination (elevated PID readings, odors, sludge etc.) are noted. No bedrock wells are proposed as part of this RI.

Following installation, the permanent wells will be developed via pumping and surging to remove any accumulated fines and establish a hydraulic connection with the surrounding aquifer. Development will continue until turbidity within the permanent well is less than 50 nephelometric turbidity units (NTUs) for three successive readings, and until water quality indicators have stabilized to within 10% for pH, temperature, and specific conductivity for three successive readings. In the event that 50 NTUs cannot be achieved after a significant period of time, the wells will be developed until at least three well volumes have been purged. Well development details will be noted on field logs. Purge water needing to be managed will be containerized in properly labeled, Department of Transportation (DOT)-approved 55-gallon drums for future off-site disposal at a state-permitted facility.

4.4 Soil and Groundwater Sample Location Elevation Survey

The soil boring and monitoring well locations will be surveyed by a New York State-licensed surveyor to determine their accurate location and elevation. For the monitoring wells, to establish the direction of groundwater flow and facilitate the preparation of a groundwater elevation contour map, two elevation measurements will be taken at each well location: the at-grade elevation, and the elevation of the top of PVC casing (north side at marking). The elevation datum for the sampling points will be based on NAVD88 Elevation Datum, with the horizontal datum being based on the New York State Plane Coordinates Long Island Zone. The groundwater elevation survey will be included in the RIR.

4.5 Groundwater Sampling

In accordance with EPA low-flow sampling protocols, the permanent wells will be sampled at least one week following their development. Prior to sampling, an electronic interface meter will be used to measure water levels and the thickness of separate phase product, if any. The purge water will be monitored for turbidity and water quality indicators (i.e., pH, dissolved oxygen, oxidation-reduction potential, temperature, and specific conductivity) with measurements collected approximately every five minutes until stabilization is achieved as described in Table 1 of the QAPP. Purge water will be containerized in properly labeled, DOT-approved 55-gallon drums for off-site disposal at a permitted facility.

Groundwater samples slated for laboratory analysis will be placed in laboratory-supplied containers and shipped in accordance with appropriate EPA protocols to a NYSDOH ELAP-certified laboratory. The samples will be analyzed for NYSDEC Part 375 VOCs by EPA Method 8260D, SVOCs by EPA Method 8270E, PCBs by EPA Method 8082, pesticides by EPA Method 8081, total and dissolved TAL metals by EPA Method 6000/7000 series plus mercury by EPA Method

7471B, 1,4-dioxane by EPA Method 8270 selected ion monitoring (SIM), and PFAS by EPA Method 1633A series, using Category B deliverables.

For QA/QC purposes, one blind duplicate sample, MS/MSD sample, field blank, and trip blank will be collected. Filtering of metals will occur in the field. Sampling for PFAS will be conducted in accordance with the April 2023 NYSDEC-issued sampling protocol. The blind duplicate, MS/MSD, and field blank samples will be analyzed for all of the testing parameters previously noted; the trip blank sample will be analyzed for VOCs only. In addition, an equipment blank sample will also be collected and analyzed for PFAS for each day of groundwater sample collection. The data will be reviewed by a third-party validator, and a DUSR will be prepared to document the usability and validity of the data.

4.6 Soil Vapor Sampling

Six temporary soil vapor points (RI-SV-01 through RI-SV-06) will be installed in the Site parking lot, as shown on Figure 3, and six soil vapor samples will be collected in accordance with the guidelines provided in the NYSDOH *Guidance for Evaluation Soil Vapor Intrusion in the State of New York*, updated February 2024. The samples will be collected at the target excavation depth or at boring terminus/refusal. If groundwater is encountered in the boring, the soil vapor sample will be collected a minimum of two feet above observed groundwater. Prior to sample collection, each sub slab soil vapor point will be purged of three sample volumes using a GilAir Plus pump at a flow rate not to exceed 0.2 liter per minute. During purging, a shroud will be placed over each point and helium gas will be introduced through a small hole in the shroud to saturate the atmosphere around the sample port. Purged vapors will be collected in a Tedlar® bag and field-screened for VOCs using a PID. After purging, each probe will be connected via Teflon™-lined polyethylene tubing to a laboratory-supplied 6- Liter SUMMA® canister. The soil vapor samples collected will be equipped with a flow regulator set to collect a sample over a two-hour period. One ambient (outdoor) air sample will be collected from the existing parking lot for quality assurance/quality control purposes during the same two-hour period as the soil vapor samples. The ambient air sample location will be determined based on weather conditions and any work or other activities nearby.

Samples will be transported via courier with appropriate chain of custody documentation to a NYSDOH ELAP-certified laboratory for analysis of VOCs by EPA Method TO-15 and naphthalene. All laboratory analytical results will be reported using Category B deliverables.

4.7 Sub Slab Soil Vapor Sampling

Five temporary sub-slab soil vapor points (RI-SSSV-01 through RI-SSSV-05) will be installed in the Site building cellar, as shown on Figure 3, and five soil vapor samples will be collected in accordance with the guidelines provided in the NYSDOH *Guidance for Evaluation Soil Vapor Intrusion in the State of New York*, updated February 2024. The samples will be collected six inches below the building slab. Prior to sample collection, each sub-slab soil vapor point will be purged of three sample volumes using a GilAir Plus pump at a flow rate not to exceed 0.2 liter per minute. During purging, a shroud will be placed over each point and helium gas will be introduced through a small hole in the shroud to saturate the atmosphere around the sample port. Purged vapors will be collected in a Tedlar® bag and field-screened for VOCs using a PID. After purging, each probe will be connected via Teflon™-lined polyethylene tubing to a laboratory-supplied 6-Liter SUMMA® canister. The soil vapor samples collected will be equipped with a flow regulator set to collect a sample over a 24-hour period. Samples will be transported via courier with appropriate chain of custody documentation to a NYSDOH ELAP-certified laboratory for analysis of VOCs by EPA Method TO-15 and naphthalene. All laboratory analytical results will be reported using Category B deliverables.

4.8 Indoor Air Sampling

Five indoor air samples (co-located with interior sub-slab soil vapor points) will be collected from the locations shown on Figure 3. The samples will be collected into laboratory-supplied 6- Liter SUMMA® canisters equipped with flow controllers set to collect a sample over 24-hour period. The SUMMA® canisters will be placed at typical breathing zone height (approximately five feet above the floor) during collection. Immediately after opening the flow control valve, the initial SUMMA® canister vacuum [inches of mercury (in. Hg)] will be noted. Conditions will be noted throughout the sampling period, including vacuum of the samples and potential sources of VOCs in the vicinity of the sampling locations. Once the vacuum reading on the flow controller reads between approximately -8 in. Hg and -2 in. Hg (after approximately 24 hours), the flow controller valve will be closed, the final vacuum will be noted, and the SUMMA® canister will be placed in a shipping carton for delivery to the laboratory.

A building survey and chemical inventory will be conducted prior to sampling to document sources of VOCs present in the building that could potentially influence indoor air sampling. The survey and chemical inventory will be conducted in accordance with Section 2.11.2 Product Inventory of the NYSDOH *Guidance for Evaluating Soil Vapor Intrusion in the State of New York.* The survey will include a qualitative discussion of any observations relevant to the presence of chemicals compounds, their use and storage, as well as any other on-site conditions that may impact the results.

4.9 Quality Assurance / Quality Control

The QAPP (Appendix A) describes the QA/QC protocols and procedures that will be followed during implementation of the RIWP.

4.10 Decontamination Procedures

All non-dedicated sampling equipment (e.g., submersible pumps and oil/water interface probes) will be decontaminated between drilling and sampling locations using the following procedure.

1. Scrub equipment with a bristle brush using a tap water/Alconox® solution.
2. Rinse with tap water.
3. Scrub again with a bristle brush using a tap water/Alconox® solution.
4. Rinse with tap water.
5. Rinse with distilled water.
6. Air-dry the equipment.

4.11 Management of Investigation-Derived Waste

Investigation-derived waste (IDW) needing to be managed will be containerized in properly containerized in DOT-approved 55-gallon drums. IDW that does not exhibit of evidence of contamination (e.g., staining, presence of ash, oily sheens, odors, etc.) will be used to fill in the corresponding borehole. The drums will be sealed at the end of each workday and labeled with the date, the well or boring number(s), the type of waste (i.e., drill cuttings, decontamination fluids, development water, or purge water), and the name of an AKRF point-of-contact. All drums will be labeled "pending analysis" until laboratory data is available. All IDW will be disposed of or treated according to applicable local, state, and federal regulations. The IDW drums will be securely stored at the end of each workday away from where they are easily accessible from the public.

5.0 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

5.1 Remedial Investigation Report

Upon completion of all field work and receipt of laboratory analytical results, a RIR will be prepared. The RIR will document field activities; present field and laboratory data; evaluate exposure pathways in an exposure assessment; and discuss conclusions and recommendations drawn from the results of the investigation. Soil, groundwater, soil vapor, and indoor air sampling results will be presented in the text and on figures and tables with comparisons to the applicable standards, criteria, and guidance (SCGs) for each media.

5.1.1 Description of Field Activities

This section of the RIR will describe the field methods used to characterize the Site conditions, including sampling techniques; field screening equipment; drilling and excavation equipment; monitoring well installation procedures; and management of IDW.

5.1.2 Soil Boring Assessment

The RIR will include a section that presents field and laboratory data for soil results. This section will include a description of soil characteristics and figures will be provided that illustrate soil boring locations. Field and laboratory analytical results will be presented in the body of the report and summarized in tables and figures, and the detected concentrations will be compared to regulatory standards. Soil boring logs and laboratory analytical reports will be provided as attachments. Category B deliverables will be provided by the laboratory and a third-party DUSR will be prepared.

5.1.3 Groundwater Assessment

The RIR will include a section that presents field and laboratory data from the groundwater monitoring results. This section will include a description of groundwater characteristics and figures will be provided that illustrate monitoring well locations. Well survey data and water level measurements will be used to create a groundwater elevation contour map and determine inferred groundwater flow direction. Field and laboratory analytical results will be presented and compared with regulatory standards and/or guidance values. Well construction, well development, and low-flow groundwater sampling logs and laboratory analytical reports will be provided as attachments. Category B deliverables will be provided by the laboratory and a third-party DUSR will be prepared.

5.1.4 Soil Vapor Assessment

The RIR will include a section that presents field and laboratory data from the subsurface soil vapor sampling results. The section will include a description of soil vapor characteristics and will provide a summary of the sample analytical data. Figures will be provided that illustrate the soil vapor point locations. Sampling logs and laboratory analytical reports will be provided as attachments. Category B deliverables will be provided by the laboratory and a third-party DUSR will be prepared.

5.1.5 Qualitative Human Health Exposure Assessment

A Qualitative Human Health Exposure Assessment (QHHEA) will be performed in accordance with DER-10 Section 3.3. The assessment will be included in the RIR.

5.1.6 Daily Reports

Daily field reports will be prepared and submitted to NYSDEC and NYSDOH for review during the RI. The report will include the description of the sampling activities completed for the day, daily photographs, and will include air monitoring results for the data collected in accordance with the CAMP. The reports will also include the reasons for any exceedances to the CAMP and the corrective actions taken to mitigate the issue.

5.1.7 Green and Sustainable Remediation

Green and sustainable remediation (GSR) principles will be implemented during the RI via an environmental footprint analysis. The environmental footprint analysis will be completed using a NYSDEC-accepted environmental footprint analysis calculator such as the EPA Spreadsheets for Environmental Footprint Analysis (SEFA), SiteWise™ or similar NYSDEC-accepted tool. Water consumption, greenhouse gas emissions, renewable and non-renewable energy use, waste reduction, and material use during the RI, as applicable, will be quantified and reported in the RIR. Measures will be taken to limit excess energy use and water, to the extent possible, during the RI.

These metrics will ultimately be incorporated into the remedial design program, upon preparation of the RAWP, to establish goals for the project related to GSR, along with goals for minimizing community impacts, protecting habitats and natural and cultural resources, and promoting environmental justice.

6.0 SCHEDULE OF WORK

The following tentative schedule has been developed for the project. This schedule is subject to change.

Activity	Time To Complete
Submittal of BCP Application with Draft RIWP	May 2026
30-day Completeness Review	June 2026
Submittal of revised BCP Application and Completeness Determination	June 2026
30-day Public Comment Period for BCP Application and RIWP	July 2026
Receipt of DEC/DOH Comments on the RIWP	September 2026
BCA Execution	October 2026
Submittal of CPP	October 2026
Submittal of Final RIWP	October 2026
RIWP Approved	November 2026
RI Field Activities	November/December 2026
Submittal of Draft RIR and Draft RAWP	February 2027
Receipt of DEC/DOH Comments on the RIR and RAWP	March/April 2027
Initiate 45-day Public Comment Period for RAWP	April/May 2027
Submittal of Final RIR and updated RAWP	May 2027
Building Demolition	TBD
Submit Draft Environmental Easement	May/June 2027
Decision Document	June/July 2027
Issuance of Remedial/Construction Notice Fact Sheet	July 2027
Begin RAWP implementation	July/August 2027
Submit Draft Site Management Plan (SMP)	August 2027
Execute Environmental Easement	October 2027
Submittal of Draft Final Engineering Report (FER)	October 2027
Final SMP and FER	November 2027
Certificate of Completion	December 2027

7.0 CERTIFICATION

I, Axel Schwendt, QEP, certify that I am currently a Qualified Environmental Professional (QEP) as defined in 6 NYCRR Part 375 and that this RIWP was prepared in accordance with all applicable statutes and regulations and in substantial conformance with the DER Technical Guidance for Site Investigation and Remediation (DER-10).

Axel Schwendt, QEP		11-19-2026
Name	***Signature***	***Date***

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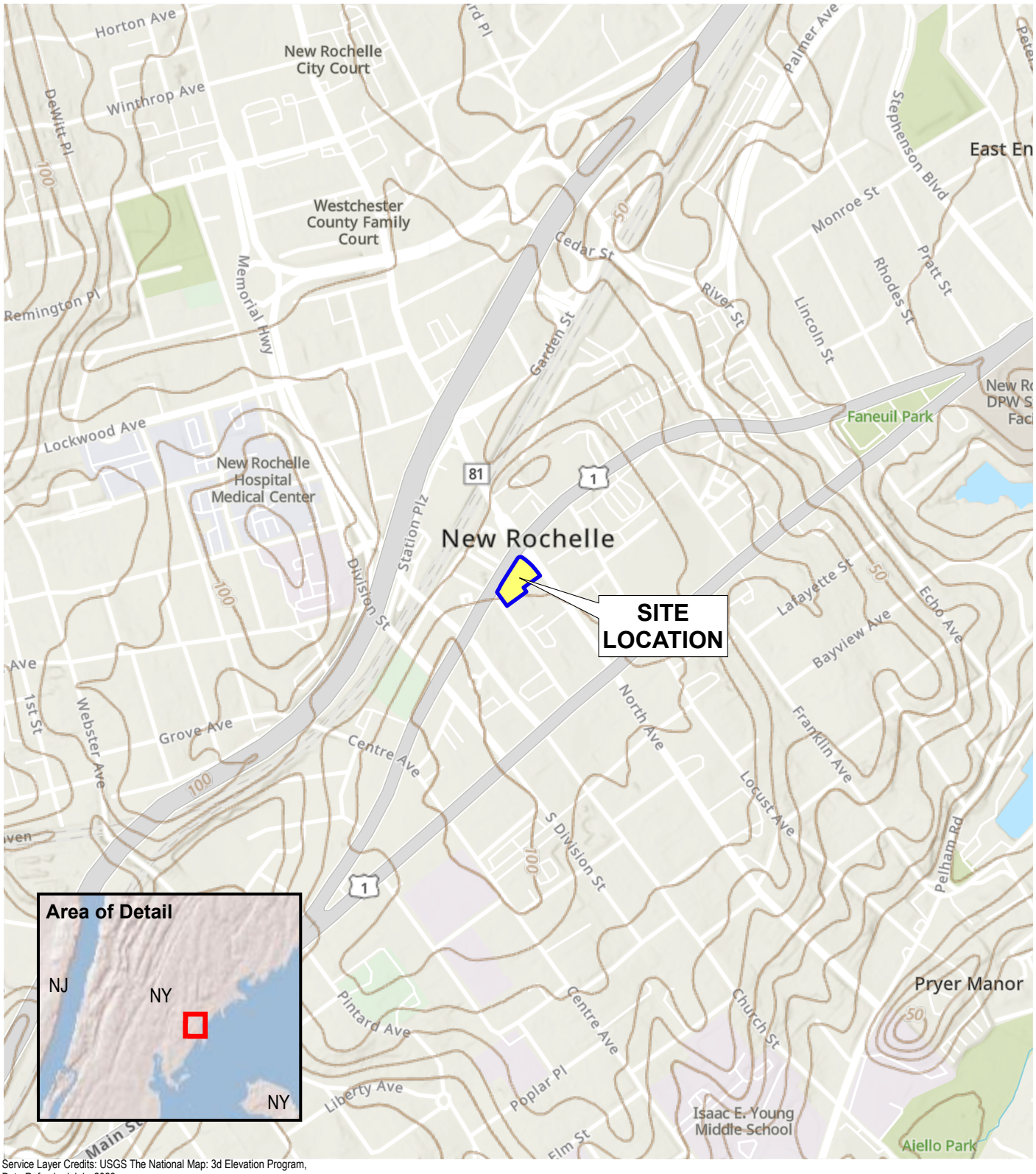

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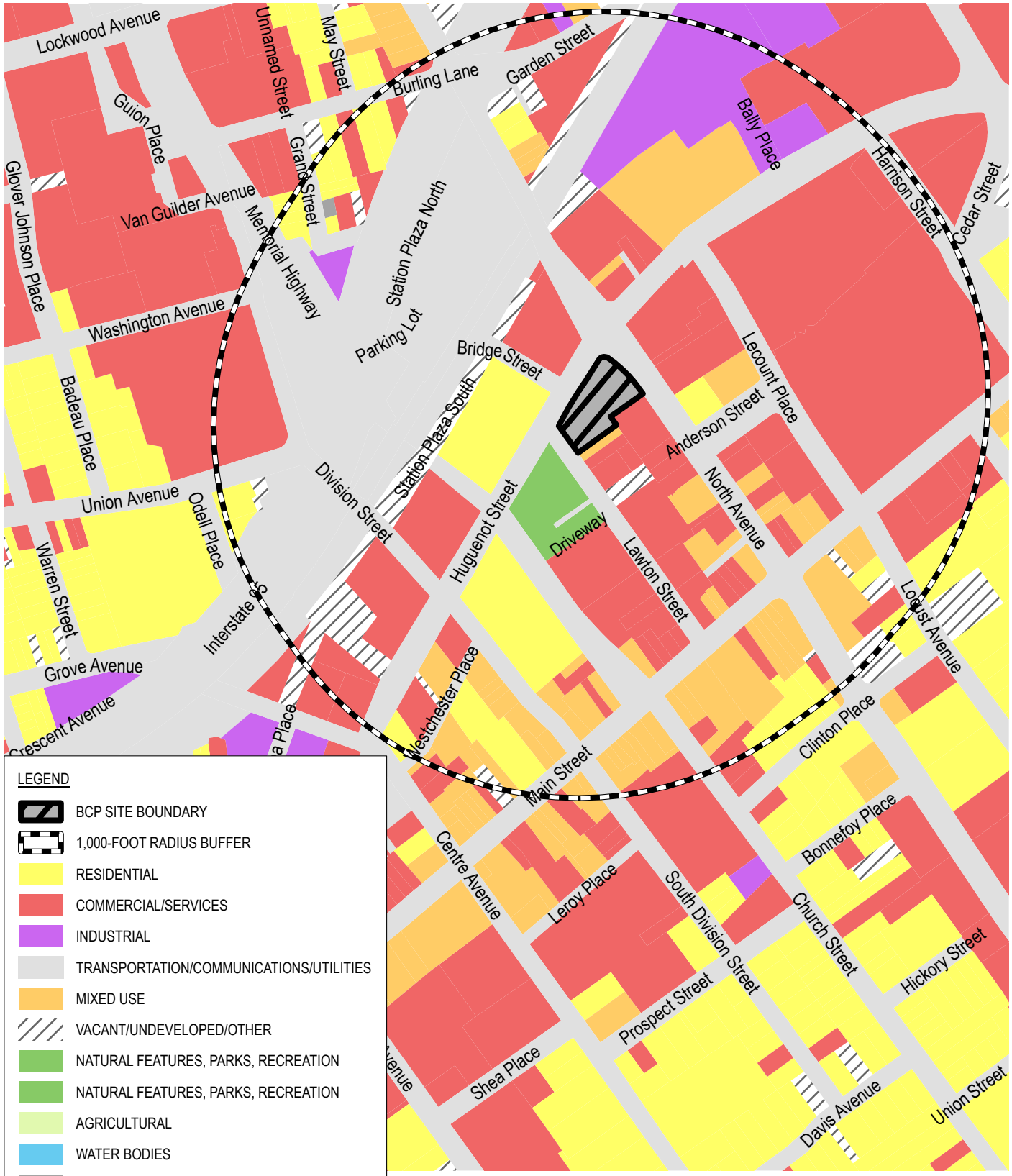

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- SITE BOUNDARY
- LOT BOUNDARY WITH (SECTION/BLOCK/LOT NUMBER)
- PROPOSED RI SOIL BORING
- PROPOSED RI MONITORING WELL
- PROPOSED RI SOIL VAPOR POINT
- PROPOSED INDOOR AIR SAMPLE LOCATION
- PROPOSED SUB-SLAB SOIL VAPOR POINT

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SITE PLAN AND PROPOSED RI SAMPLING LOCATIONS

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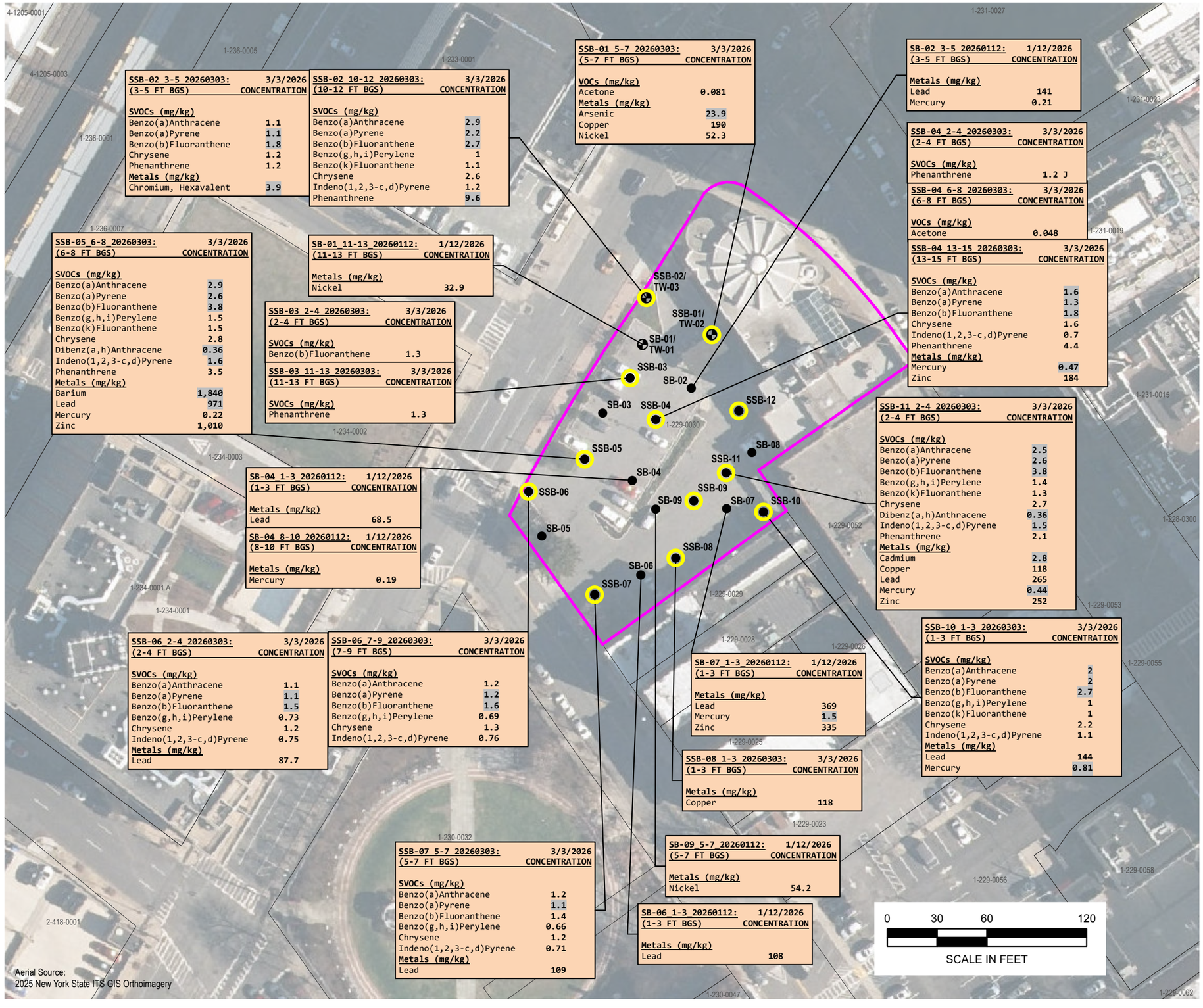

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- SITE BOUNDARY
- LOT BOUNDARY WITH (SECTION/BLOCK/LOT NUMBER)
- SOIL BORING
- SOIL BORING/TEMPORARY WELL
- SUPPLEMENTAL SOIL BORING
- SUPPLEMENTAL SOIL BORING/ TEMPORARY WELL

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Part 375 Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs): SCOs listed in the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) "Part 375" Regulations (6 NYCRR Part 375).

Exceedances of NYSDEC Unrestricted Use Soil Cleanup Objectives (UUSCOs) are presented in bold font.

Exceedances of NYSDEC Restricted Residential Soil Cleanup Objectives (RRSCOs) are presented grey shading.

mg/kg:milligrams per kilogram = parts per million (ppm)

	RRSCOs (mg/kg)	UUSCOs (mg/kg)
VOCs		
Acetone	100	0.03
SVOCs		
Benzo(a)Anthracene	1.4	1
Benzo(a)Pyrene	1	1
Benzo(b)Fluoranthene	1.4	1
Benzo(g,h,i)Perylene	4.9	0.64
Benzo(k)Fluoranthene	4.9	0.8
Chrysene	4.9	1
Dibenz(a,h)Anthracene	0.33	0.33
Indeno(1,2,3-c,d)Pyrene	1.4	0.5
Phenanthrene	4.9	1.1
Metals		
Arsenic	16	13
Barium	410	410
Cadmium	2.5	2.5
Chromium, Hexavalent	1	1
Copper	280	50
Lead	400	63
Mercury	0.3	0.18
Nickel	320	30
Zinc	6,600	109

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Metals (mg/kg)
Nickel **32.9**

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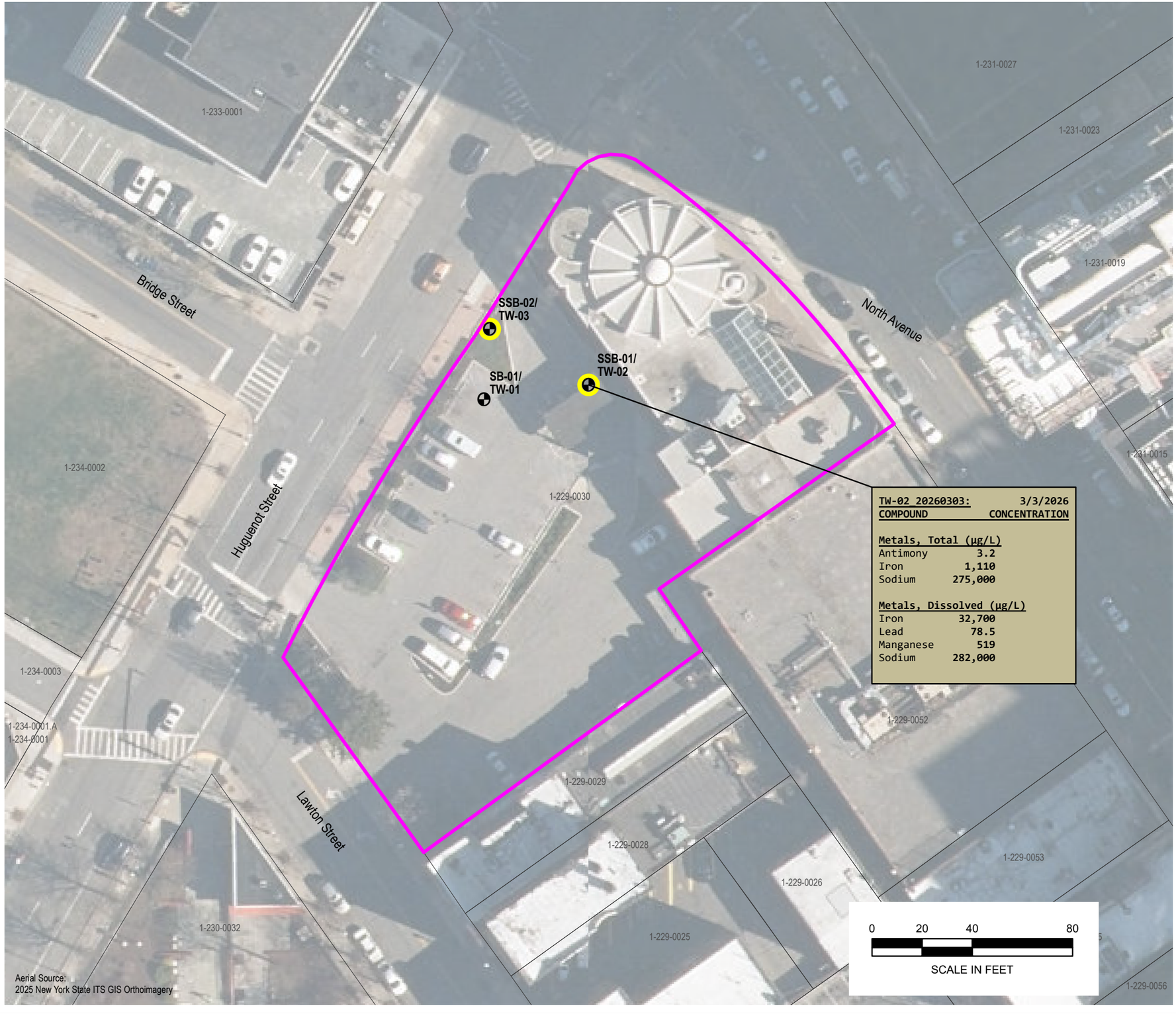


LEGEND

- SITE BOUNDARY
- LOT BOUNDARY WITH (SECTION/BLOCK/LOT NUMBER)
- SOIL BORING/TEMPORARY WELL
- SUPPLEMENTAL SOIL BORING/ TEMPORARY WELL

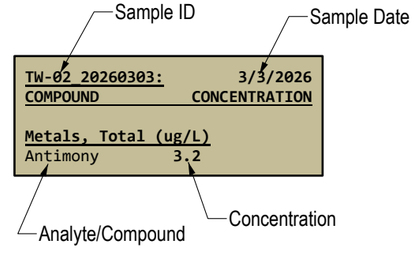
NYSDEC TOGS Class GA Ambient Water Quality Standard and Guidance Values (AWQSGVs):
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC)
Technical and Operational Guidance Series (TOGS) (1.1.1):

µg/L: micrograms per Liter = parts per billion (ppb)

Only Exceedances of NYSDEC AWQSGVs are shown in bold font.

No groundwater samples were able to be collected at TW-01 and TW-03 due to lack of groundwater volume in the wells.

	NYSDEC AWQSGVs (µg/L)
Metals, Total	
Antimony	3
Iron	300
Lead	25
Manganese	300
Sodium	20,000
Metals, Dissolved	
Iron	300
Sodium	20,000



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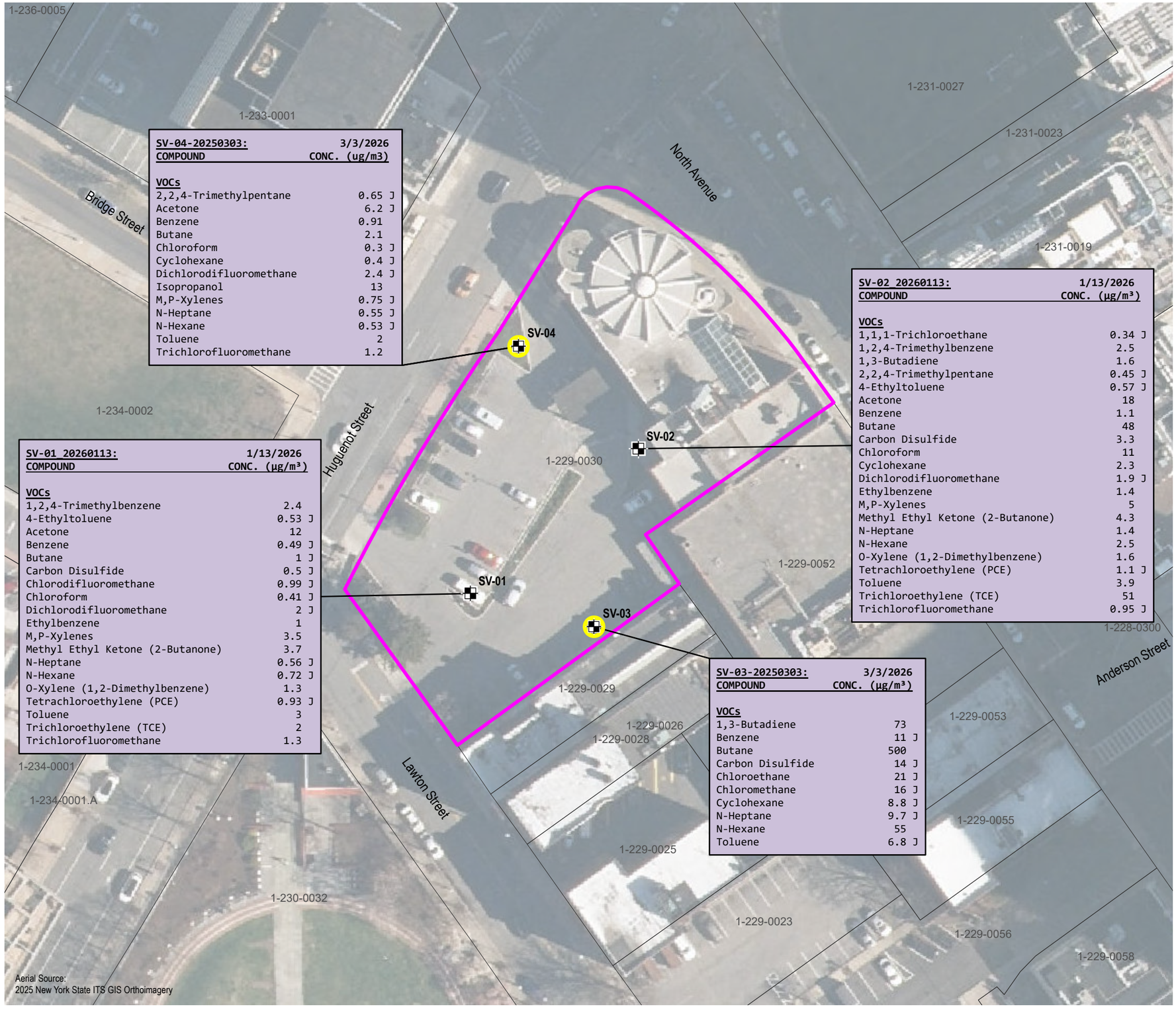

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COMPOUND	CONC. (ug/m3)
VOCs	
2,2,4-Trimethylpentane	0.65 J
Acetone	6.2 J
Benzene	0.91
Butane	2.1
Chloroform	0.3 J
Cyclohexane	0.4 J
Dichlorodifluoromethane	2.4 J
Isopropanol	13
M,P-Xylenes	0.75 J
N-Heptane	0.55 J
N-Hexane	0.53 J
Toluene	2
Trichlorofluoromethane	1.2

SV-02_20260113: 1/13/2026

COMPOUND	CONC. (µg/m³)
VOCs	
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	0.34 J
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	2.5
1,3-Butadiene	1.6
2,2,4-Trimethylpentane	0.45 J
4-Ethyltoluene	0.57 J
Acetone	18
Benzene	1.1
Butane	48
Carbon Disulfide	3.3
Chloroform	11
Cyclohexane	2.3
Dichlorodifluoromethane	1.9 J
Ethylbenzene	1.4
M,P-Xylenes	5
Methyl Ethyl Ketone (2-Butanone)	4.3
N-Heptane	1.4
N-Hexane	2.5
O-Xylene (1,2-Dimethylbenzene)	1.6
Tetrachloroethylene (PCE)	1.1 J
Toluene	3.9
Trichloroethylene (TCE)	51
Trichlorofluoromethane	0.95 J

SV-01_20260113: 1/13/2026

COMPOUND	CONC. (µg/m³)
VOCs	
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	2.4
4-Ethyltoluene	0.53 J
Acetone	12
Benzene	0.49 J
Butane	1 J
Carbon Disulfide	0.5 J
Chlorodifluoromethane	0.99 J
Chloroform	0.41 J
Dichlorodifluoromethane	2 J
Ethylbenzene	1
M,P-Xylenes	3.5
Methyl Ethyl Ketone (2-Butanone)	3.7
N-Heptane	0.56 J
N-Hexane	0.72 J
O-Xylene (1,2-Dimethylbenzene)	1.3
Tetrachloroethylene (PCE)	0.93 J
Toluene	3
Trichloroethylene (TCE)	2
Trichlorofluoromethane	1.3

SV-03-20250303: 3/3/2026

COMPOUND	CONC. (µg/m³)
VOCs	
1,3-Butadiene	73
Benzene	11 J
Butane	500
Carbon Disulfide	14 J
Chloroethane	21 J
Chloromethane	16 J
Cyclohexane	8.8 J
N-Heptane	9.7 J
N-Hexane	55
Toluene	6.8 J

LEGEND

- SITE BOUNDARY
- LOT BOUNDARY WITH (SECTION/BLOCK/LOT NUMBER)
- SOIL VAPOR POINT
- SUPPLEMENTAL SOIL VAPOR POINT

SOIL VAPOR

µg/m³- micrograms per cubic meter

J: The reported value is estimated.

Sample ID — Sample Date

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COMPOUND	CONC. (µg/m³)
VOCs	
1,3-Butadiene	73
Benzene	11 J
Butane	500
Carbon Disulfide	14 J

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Historical Soil Vapor Concentrations

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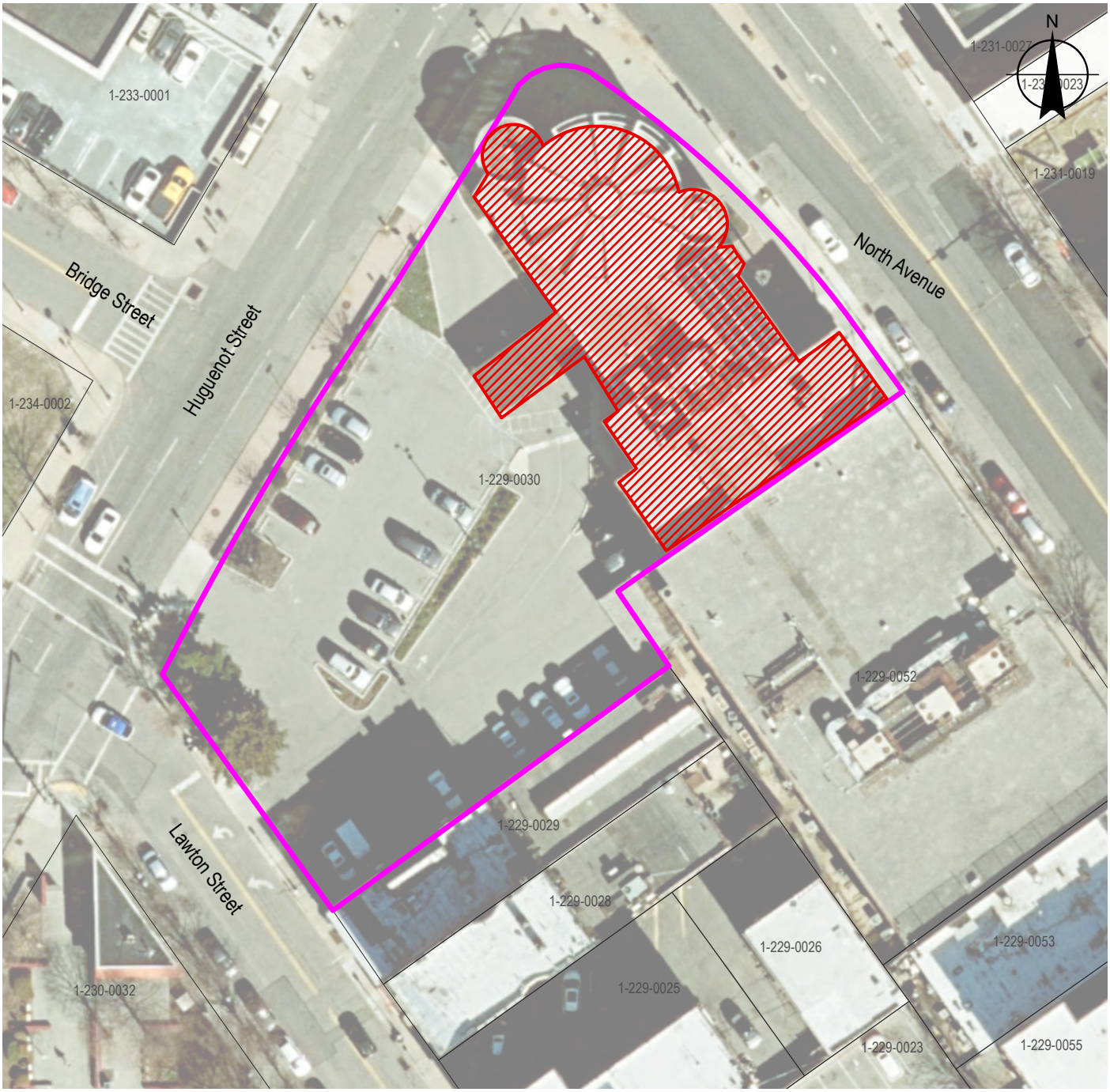

LEGEND

- SITE BOUNDARY
- LOT BOUNDARY WITH (SECTION/BLOCK/LOT NUMBER)
- EXTENT OF BUILDING DEMOLITION

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APPENDIX A
QUALITY ASSURANCE PROJECT PLAN

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Quality Assurance Project Plan

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Attachment B – NYSDEC Revised Sampling Protocol for Emerging Contaminants

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) describes the protocols and procedures that will be followed during implementation of all environmental sampling, including under the Remedial Investigation (RI) Work Plan (RIWP), at the 260 North Avenue site located at 260 North Avenue in New Rochelle, Westchester County, New York (the Site), also identified as Tax Parcel ID 1-229-0030. The Site is currently developed with a two-story masonry building with a full cellar in the northeast portion occupied by Citizens Bank and an asphalt-paved parking lot and a drive-thru ATM located west adjacent to the building. A Site Location Plan is provided as Figure 1 in the RIWP.

The objective of this QAPP is to provide for Quality Assurance (QA) and maintain Quality Control (QC) of environmental investigative, sampling, and remedial activities conducted under the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) oversight in the Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). Adherence to the QAPP will ensure that defensible data will be obtained during all environmental work at the Site.

2.0 PROJECT TEAM

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

2.1 Remedial Engineer

The remedial engineer will be responsible for oversight of the design of all Institutional Controls (ICs) and Engineering Controls (ECs) at the Site. Rebecca Kinal will serve as the remedial engineer for the RIWP. Ms. Kinal's resume is included in Attachment A.

2.2 Quality Assurance/ Quality Control Officer

Axel Schwendt will serve as the QA/QC officer and will be responsible for adherence to the QAPP. The QA/QC officer will review the procedures with all personnel prior to commencing any fieldwork and will conduct periodic Site visits to assess implementation of the procedures. The QA/QC officer will also be responsible for reviewing the Data Usability Summary Reports (DUSRs) for all analytical results. Mr. Schwendt's resume is included in Attachment A.

2.3 Project Manager

Ashutosh Sharma will serve as the project manager for the RIWP. The project manager will be responsible for directing and coordinating all elements of the RIWP. The project manager will prepare reports and participate in meetings with the Site owner/Volunteer and/or NYSDEC. Mr. Sharma's resume is included in Attachment A.

2.4 Alternate Project Manager

Claire Bearden will serve as the deputy project manager for the RIWP. The deputy project manager will be responsible for assisting the project manager. The deputy project manager will help manage tasks and prepare reports and will participate in meetings with the Site owner/Volunteer and/or the NYSDEC. Ms. Bearden's resume is included in Attachment A.

2.5 Site Safety Officer

The SSO will be responsible for supervising the daily sampling and health and safety activities in the field and will ensure adherence to the work plan and Health and Safety Plan (HASP), included as Appendix B of the RIWP. They will report to the project manager or alternate project manager on a regular basis regarding daily progress and any deviations from the work plan. The SSO will be a qualified and responsible person able to act professionally and promptly during environmental work at the Site. Brian Quinn will act as the SSO. Mr. Quinn's resume is included in Attachment A.

2.6 Laboratory QA/QC Officer

The laboratory QA/QC officer will be responsible for quality control procedures and checks in the laboratory and ensuring adherence to laboratory protocols. The QA/QC officer will track the movement of samples from the time they are checked in at the laboratory to the time that analytical results are issued and will conduct a final check on the analytical calculations and sign off on the laboratory reports. The laboratory QA/QC officer will be Elizabeth Flannery of Eurofins Environmental Testing Laboratories (Eurofins), a New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (ELAP)-certified laboratory being

employed for all environmental sampling at the Site. Ms. Flannery's resume is included in Attachment A.

2.7 Laboratory Data Validator

The laboratory data validator will be responsible for third party data validation and preparation of DUSRs. The third-party laboratory data validator will be Lori Beyer of L.A.B. Validation Corp. Ms. Beyer's resume is included in Attachment A.

3.0 STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

The following sections describe the standard operating procedures (SOPs) for the investigation activities included in the RIWP. During these operations, safety monitoring will be performed as described in the HASP, included as Appendix B of the RIWP.

3.1 Soil Borings and Soil Sampling

A Geoprobe® direct-push probe (DPP) drill rig or a remote-access drill rig will be used to advance the soil borings. The RIWP includes the advancement of 17 soil borings (RI-SB-01 through RI-SB-17) to characterize subsurface soils and collect soil samples for laboratory analysis. Figure 3 in the RIWP depicts the soil boring locations.

Soil samples will be collected continuously to the boring terminus, which is the anticipated excavation depth for redevelopment at approximately 20 feet below grade or equipment refusal/bedrock. Soil cores will be collected using stainless steel macrocore piston rod samplers fitted with internal acetate liners. Soil samples will be inspected and logged by AKRF field personnel, as described in Section 4.2. Multiple soil samples will be collected at each boring location. All sampling equipment (e.g., drilling rods and casings, macro core samplers, and probe rods) will be either dedicated or decontaminated between sampling locations in accordance with Section 3.4 of this document.

Soil samples slated for laboratory analysis will be labeled, placed in laboratory-supplied containers, and shipped to a NYSDOH Environmental Laboratory Approval Program (ELAP)-certified laboratory via courier with appropriate chain of custody documentation in accordance with EPA protocols. The samples will be analyzed for the target compound list (TCL) and Part 375 VOCs by United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Method 8260D, SVOCs (including 1,4-dioxane) by EPA Method 8270E, PCBs by EPA Method 8082, and pesticides by EPA Method 8081, the total analyte list (TAL) of metals by EPA Method 6000/7000 series plus mercury by EPA Method 7471B and hexavalent chromium by EPA Method 7196A, and per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) by EPA Method 1633A. All laboratory analytical results will be reported using Category B deliverables. For quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) purposes, one blind duplicate sample, matrix spike (MS)/matrix spike duplicate (MSD) sample, field blank, and trip blank will be collected for every 20 samples collected or per sample delivery group (SDG). The blind duplicate, MS/MSD, and field blank samples will be analyzed for all testing parameters previously noted; trip blank samples will be analyzed for VOCs only.

Each soil boring location will be identified by a handheld global positioning system (GPS) unit and surveyed by a licensed surveyor. All investigation derived waste (IDW) associated with the drilling of soil borings will be managed as described in Section 3.5.

3.2 Groundwater Monitoring Well Installation and Development

Six permanent groundwater monitoring wells (RI-MW-01 through RI-MW-06) will be installed as shown on Figure 3 in the RIWP. The five wells will be screened across the groundwater table, anticipated to be approximately 8 to 15 feet below grade. Each well will be constructed with 10 feet of 0.020-inch slotted polyvinyl chloride (PVC) well screen. A No. 2 Morie sand pack will be installed from the bottom of each well to approximately two feet above the well screen, followed by two feet of hydrated bentonite. The remaining annular space around the well will be filled with bentonite-cement grout to approximately 0.5 feet bgs. The wells will be finished with locking j-plugs, flush-mount well caps, and a concrete pad.

Following installation, the permanent wells will be developed via pumping and surging to remove any accumulated fines and establish a hydraulic connection with the surrounding aquifer.

Development will continue until turbidity within the permanent well is less than 50 nephelometric turbidity units (NTUs) for three successive readings, and until water quality indicators have stabilized to within 10 percent for pH, temperature, and specific conductivity for three successive readings. In the event that 50 NTUs cannot be achieved after a significant period of time, the wells will be developed until at least three well volumes have been purged. Well development details will be noted on field logs. Purge water needing to be managed will be containerized in properly labeled, Department of Transportation (DOT)-approved 55-gallon drums for future off-site disposal at a state-permitted facility.

3.3 Sub-Slab and Soil Vapor Point Installation

Six soil vapor samples will be collected from the exterior areas and five sub-slab soil vapor samples will be collected from within the building footprint using a stainless steel probe consisting of a drive point and internal perforated sampling port with a retractable tip connected to Teflon sampling tubing. The sampling tubing will extend from the sampling port through a drive casing to above grade. Collectively, the retractable tip, sampling port, and sampling tube are referred to as the "soil vapor sampler."

The soil vapor sampler will be installed using the following procedures:

1. Prepare the sampling point location by drilling with the DPP.
2. Attach new, clean $^{3}/_{16}$-inch inside diameter Teflon tubing to the sampling probe.
3. Drive the sampling probe and attached tubing to the target depth.
4. Backfill the soil vapor sampler with clean sand filter pack to prevent intake clogging.
5. Retract the drive casing to expose the perforated sampling port.
6. Seal the gap between the foundation slab and tubing with hydrated bentonite.
7. Record total depths (interval below grade) to which the probe is advanced and withdrawn for sample collection.

3.4 Decontamination of Sampling Equipment

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

1. Scrub using a tap water/Alconox® mixture and bristle brush.
2. Rinse with tap water.
3. Scrub again with a tap water/Alconox® mixture and bristle brush.
4. Rinse with tap water.
5. Rinse with distilled water.
6. Air-dry the equipment, if possible.

3.5 Management of Investigation Derived Waste

IDW will be containerized in DOT-approved 55-gallon drums during the investigation activities. The drums will be sealed at the end of each workday and labeled with the date, the boring location(s), the type of waste (i.e., drill cuttings), and the name and phone number of an AKRF

point-of-contact. All IDW collected into drums will be sampled and disposed of or treated according to applicable local, state, and federal regulations.

4.0 SAMPLING AND LABORATORY PROCEDURES

4.1 Soil Sampling

Soil sampling will be conducted according to the following procedures:

- Characterize the sample according to the modified Burmister soil classification system.
- Describe any evidence of contamination (e.g., non-aqueous phase liquid (NAPL), staining, sheens, odors).
- Field screen the sample for evidence of contamination (e.g., odors, staining) using visual and olfactory methods and screen for VOCs using a photoionization detector (PID) calibrated each day in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- Collect an aliquot of soil from each proposed sample location, place in laboratory-supplied glassware, label the sample in accordance with Section 4.6.1 of this QAPP, and place in an ice-filled cooler for shipment to the laboratory.
- Complete the proper chain of custody paperwork and seal the cooler.
- Record sample location, sample depth, and sample observations (evidence of contamination, PID readings, soil classification, etc.) in a field logbook and boring log data sheet, if applicable.
- Decontaminate any soil sampling equipment between sample locations as described in Section 3.4 of this QAPP.
- Conduct soil sampling for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in accordance with the April 2023 *NYSDEC Sampling, Analysis and Assessment Of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Under NYSDEC's Part 375 Remedial Programs.*

4.2 Monitoring Well Sampling

Groundwater samples will be collected approximately one week following well development. Low flow sampling techniques will be used, as described in EPA's Ground-Water Sampling Guidelines for Superfund and RCRA Project Managers (EPA 542-S-02-001), dated May 2002. For emerging contaminants, groundwater samples will be collected in accordance with NYSDEC's published protocols, including the acceptable/specific sampling materials, equipment, and QA/QC requirements. The groundwater samples will be field filtered before lab analysis. A copy of NYSDEC's protocol document is included in Attachment B. Sampling will be conducted according to the following procedures:

- Prepare the sampling area by placing plastic sheeting over the well. Cut a hole in the sheeting to provide access to the well cover.
- Slowly remove the locking cap and immediately measure the vapor concentrations in the well with a PID calibrated to the manufacturer's specifications.
- Measure the depth to water and total well depth, and check for the presence of NAPL using an oil/water interface probe. Measure the thickness of NAPL, if any, and record it in the field book and well log. Groundwater samples will not be collected from wells containing measurable NAPL.
- Use the water level and total well depth measurements to calculate the length of the mid-point of the water column within the screened interval. For example, for a well where the total depth is 20 feet, the screened interval is 10 to 20 feet, and depth to water is 14 feet, the mid-point of the water column within the screened interval would be 17 feet.

- Connect dedicated tubing to either a submersible bladder pump or a peristaltic pump, and lower the pump such that the intake of the pump is set at the mid-point of the water column within the screened interval of the well. Connect the discharge end of the tubing to the flow-through cell of a YSI multi-parameter (or equivalent) meter. Connect tubing to the output of the cell and place the discharge end of the tubing in a five-gallon bucket.
- Activate the pump at the lowest flow rate setting.
- Measure the depth to water within the well. The pump flow rate may be increased such that the water level measurements do not change by more than 0.3 feet as compared to the initial static reading. The well-purging rate should be adjusted so as to produce a smooth, constant (laminar) flow rate and so as not to produce excessive turbulence in the well. The expected targeted purge rate will be approximately 0.5 liter and will be no greater than 3.8 liters/minute.
- During purging, collect periodic samples and analyze for water quality indicators (e.g., turbidity, pH, temperature, dissolved oxygen, reduction-oxidation potential, and specific conductivity) with measurements collected approximately every five minutes.
- Continue purging the well until turbidity is less than 50 NTU and water quality indicators have stabilized to the extent practicable. The criteria for stabilization will be three successive readings for the following parameters and criteria:

Table 1
Stabilization Criteria

Parameter	Stabilization Criteria
pH	+/- 0.1 pH units
Specific Conductance	+/- 3% mS/cm
ORP/Eh	+/- 10mV
Turbidity	<50 NTU
Dissolved Oxygen	+/- 0.3 mg/l

Notes: mS/cm = millisievert per centimeter
mV = millivolts
ORP/Eh = reduction-oxidation potential
NTU = nephthalometric turbidity units
mg/l = milligrams per liter

- If the water quality parameters do not stabilize and/or turbidity is greater than 50 NTU within two hours, discontinue purging. Efforts to stabilize the water quality for the well must be recorded in the field book, and samples may then be collected as described herein.
- After purging, disconnect the tubing to the inlet of the flow-through cell. Collect groundwater samples directly from the discharge end of the tubing and place into the required sample containers, as described in Section 4.4 of this QAPP. Label the containers as described in Section 4.6.1 of this QAPP and place in a chilled cooler.
- Once sampling is complete, remove the pump and tubing from the well. Dispose of the sampling materials and personal protective equipment (PPE) in a designated 55-gallon drum. The purge water will be managed as described in Section 3.5 of this QAPP.
- Decontaminate the pump (where necessary), oil/water interface probe, and flow-through cell, as described in Section 3.4 of this QAPP.

- Record all measurements (depth to water, depth to NAPL, water quality parameters, turbidity), calculations (well volume), and observations in the project field book and field data sheet, if applicable.

The following special considerations will apply to the collection of groundwater samples for PFAS analysis to prevent cross-contamination:

- Field equipment will not contain Teflon®.
- All sampling material will be made from stainless steel, HDPE, acetate, silicon, or polypropylene.
- No waterproof field books will be used.
- No plastic clipboards, binders, or spiral hard cover notebooks will be used.
- No adhesives will be used.
- No sharpies or permanent markers will be used; ball point pens are acceptable.
- Aluminum foil will not be used.
- PFAS samples will be kept in a separate cooler from other sampling containers.
- Coolers will be filled only with regular ice.
- PFAS free water and Alconox detergent will be used for cleaning any sampling equipment prior to re-use.

4.3 Soil Vapor, and Sub-Slab Soil Vapor and Co-located Indoor Air Sampling

The samples will be conducted with two-hour flow control regulators. Soil vapor samples will be collected using the following procedures.

4.3.1 Sample Set-Up (for soil vapor and sub-slab soil vapor)

1. Place a plastic shroud over the sampling point and pull the Teflon soil gas sampling tubing through the shroud to allow for sampling collection.
2. Insert new sample tubing into the shroud and connect the other end of the tubing to the helium tank.
3. Install a new flexible hose to a peristaltic pump and connect the Teflon sample tubing to the hose. Connect the other end (discharge end) of the flexible tubing to a 1-liter Tedlar bag. Purge the soil gas sampler of approximately three sampler volumes by activating the pump to fill the Tedlar bag. The air withdrawal flow rate shall be 0.2 liter/minute or less.
4. During purging, a flow of helium gas will be introduced into the plastic shroud overlying the soil gas sampling point. The Tedlar bag will be analyzed in the field using a Marks Model 9822 helium detector to check for short-circuiting of outside air into the sampling port. If helium is detected at a concentration of greater than 10 percent, then the soil gas point will be resealed with hydrated bentonite. The point will then be retested to ensure that the helium concentration is less than 10 percent.
5. Disconnect the sample tubing from the peristaltic pump and connect it to the inlet of a labeled 1-liter SUMMA® canister.
6. Repeat this procedure for all sampling locations.

4.3.2 Sample Collection

1. After the SUMMA® canisters are set up at all of the sampling locations, record the vacuum reading from the vacuum gauge on each canister at the beginning of the two-hour sampling period. Open the valve of the canister and record the time in the field book.
2. At the end of the two-hour sampling period, close the valve, remove the flow-rate controllers and vacuum gauges, install caps on canisters, and record the time at the end of the sampling period.
3. Place canisters in shipping containers for transportation to the laboratory.
4. Repeat this procedure for all sampling locations.

4.4 Laboratory Methods

Table 2 summarizes the laboratory methods that will be used to analyze field samples and the sample container type, preservation, and applicable holding times. Eurofins of Edison, New Jersey, a NYSDOH ELAP-certified laboratory subcontracted to AKRF, will be used for all chemical analyses in accordance with the NYSDEC Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) Technical Guidance for Site Investigation and Remediation (DER-10) Sections 2.1(b) and 2.1(f) with Category B Deliverables.

Table 2
Laboratory Analytical Methods for Analysis Groups

Matrix	Analysis	EPA Method	Bottle Type	Preservative	Hold Time
Soil	VOCs	8260C	EnCore samplers (3) and 2 oz. plastic jar	≤ 6 ºC	48 hours to extract, 14 days to analyze
	SVOCs	8270D	8 oz. Glass Jar	≤ 6 ºC	14 days to extract, 40 days to analyze
	TAL metals, mercury, and hexavalent chromium	6000/7000 Series, 7470A, and 7196A	8 oz. Glass Jar	≤ 6 ºC	6 months holding time; mercury 28 days holding time; hexavalent chromium 30 days to extract, 7 days to analyze
	pesticides	8081B	8 oz. Glass Jar	≤ 6 ºC	14 days to extract, 40 days to analyze
	PCBs	8082A	8 oz. Glass Jar	≤ 6º C	14 days to extract, 40 days to analyze
	1,4-Dioxane	8270D	4 oz. Glass Jar	≤ 6º C	14 days to extract, 40 days to analyze
	PFAS	1633A	4 oz. HDPE Plastic Jar	≤ 6º C	14 days to extract, 40 days to analyze
Groundwater	VOCs	8260C	3 40 mL Glass Vials	HCl to pH < 2 and ≤ 6 ºC	48 hours to extract, 14 days to analyze
	Pesticides	8081B	6 250 mL Amber Glass	≤ 6º C	7 days to extract, 40 days to analyze
	PCBs	8082A	6 250 mL Amber Glass	≤ 6º C	7 days to extract, 40 days to analyze
	TAL Metals	6000/7000 Series and 7470A	250 mL Plastic Bottle	≤ 6º C	6 months for metals; 28 days for mercury; 24 hours for hexavalent chromium
	1,4-Dioxane	8270D - Selective Ion Monitoring (SIM)	2 x 250 mL amber bottles	≤ 6 ºC	7 days to extract, 40 days to analyze
	SVOCs	8270D	2,000 mL Amber Jar	≤ 6 ºC	7 days to extract, 40 days to analyze
	PFAS	1633A	2 x 250 mL plastic HDPE bottles (no Teflon)	≤ 6 ºC,	14 days to extract, 28 days to analyze
Soil Vapor	VOCs	TO-15	6L SUMMA® Canister	None	14 days

Notes:
EPA - Environmental Protection Agency
RCRA – Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
HDPE – High Density Polyethylene

4.5 Quality Control Sampling

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

4.6 Sample Handling

4.6.1 Sample Identification

All samples will be consistently identified in all field documentation, chain of custody documents, and laboratory reports. All samples will be amended with a collection date at the end of the sample in a year, month, day (YYYYMMDD) format. Blind duplicate sample nomenclature will consist of the sample type, followed by an "X"; MS/MSD samples nomenclature will consist of the parent sample name, followed by "MS/MSD"; and trip and field blanks will consist of "TB-" and "FB-", respectively, followed by a sequential number of the trip/field blanks collected within the SDG. Special characters, including primes/apostrophes (’), will not be used for sample nomenclature.

Soil and groundwater samples collected during the RI will be identified with "RI-SB-" for soil borings, "RI-MW-" for groundwater monitoring wells, or "RI-SV-" for soil vapor sampling locations, followed by the soil boring, groundwater monitoring well, or soil vapor number. Soil samples will also be amended with the sample collection depth interval in parentheses. Table 3 provides examples of the sampling identification scheme for samples collected during the investigation.

Table 3
RI Sample Nomenclature

Sample Description	Sample Designation
Groundwater sample collected from groundwater monitoring well RI-MW-03 on May 1, 2026	RI-MW-03_20260501
Blind duplicate sample of groundwater sample collected from groundwater monitoring well RI-MW-03 on May 1, 2026	RI-MW-X_20260501
Second trip blank collected on May 1, 2026	TB-02_20260501
Second field blank collected on May 1, 2026	FB-02_20260501
Soil sample collected from soil boring RI-SB-10 between 0 and 2 feet bgs on May 1, 2026	RI-SB-10 _0-2_20260501
Blind duplicate sample of soil sample collected from soil boring RI-SB-10 between 0 and 2 feet bgs on May 1, 2026	RI-SB-X _0-2_20260501
Second blind duplicate soil sample collected from soil boring RI-SB-33 between 2 to 4 feet bgs on May 1, 2026	RI-SB-X2_2-4_20260501
Soil vapor sample collected from soil vapor point RI-SV-04 on May 1, 2026	RI-SV-04_20260501

4.7 Field Instrumentation

Field personnel will be trained in the proper operation of all field instruments at the start of the field program. Instruction manuals for the equipment will be on file at the Site for referencing proper operation, maintenance, and calibration procedures. The equipment will be calibrated according to manufacturer specifications at the start of each day of fieldwork. If an instrument fails calibration, the project manager or QA/QC officer will be contacted immediately to obtain a replacement instrument. A calibration log will be maintained to record the date of each calibration, any failure to calibrate, and corrective actions taken. The PID will be equipped with a 10.6 electron volt (eV) lamp and will be calibrated each day using 100 parts per million (ppm) isobutylene standard gas in accordance with the manufacturer's standards.

4.8 Quality Assurance

All soil and groundwater laboratory analytical data will be reviewed by a third-party validator and a DUSR will be prepared to document the usability and validity of the data.

4.9 Remedial Investigation Report

The Remedial Investigation Report (RIR) will include a detailed description of sampling activities, data summary tables, concentration maps showing sample locations and concentrations, DUSRs, and laboratory reports.

ATTACHMENT A
RESUMES FOR REMEDIAL ENGINEER, QUALITY ASSURANCE/QUALITY CONTROL (QA/QC) OFFICER, PROJECT MANAGER, ALTERNATE PROJECT MANAGER, SITE SAFETY OFFICER (SSO), LABORATORY QA/QC OFFICER, AND LABORATORY DATA VALIDATOR



BACKGROUND

Education

BS, Earth Science with Environmental Focus, Syracuse University

Licenses/Certifications

Licensed Site Remediation Professional, NJ - 1088135

CLAIRE BEARDEN, LSRP

Senior Environmental Scientist

Claire is a Senior Environmental Scientist with experience preparing Preliminary Assessment and Phase I Environmental Site Assessment reports, performing Phase II subsurface investigations and remedial investigations, providing technical reporting and project management. She has worked on industrial, commercial, residential, housing, and other types of projects.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Atlantic Chestnut, Brooklyn, NY

Claire was the deputy project manager for the second phase of the project, which involved excavation and disposal of over 20,000 cubic yards of hazardous soil, collection of over 300 soil end point samples, and installation of engineering controls. Claire prepared the quarterly and biennial RCRA hazardous waste reporting documents, assisted with preparation of the final engineering report and site management plan, and coordinated with field staff and subcontractors throughout remedial action implementation.

Hudson Piers, Yonkers, NY

Claire is the deputy project manager for the remediation of the site, which includes in-situ solidification of approximately 40,000 cubic yards of MGP-impacted soil. She oversaw sonic drilling activities to depths up to 150 feet and collected soil, soil vapor and groundwater samples for the remedial investigation.

167 North Broadway, Yonkers, NY

Claire performed remedial construction oversight for a structurally complicated 20-foot-deep excavation, which required a sliding rail shoring system for support of excavation to protect adjacent buildings and structures. Her responsibilities included direct oversight of the contractor performing the excavation, implementation of community air monitoring, and collection of post-excavation end point samples. Upon completion of the remediation, Claire drafted the remedial action report for submission to NYSDEC.

3200 Jerome Avenue, Bronx, NY

Claire has performed the semi-annual inspections and preparation of periodic review reports over the past three years as required by the site management plan. Inspection requirements include groundwater sampling, site cap inspection, and operation and maintenance (O&M) inspections of the active SSDS and SVE systems.

Regional Food Hub Warehouse, Hunts Point, Bronx, NY

Claire performed remedial construction oversight to satisfy NYSDEC BCP program requirements during the initial redevelopment stages of a former MGP facility. Claire's duties included administering a Community Air Monitoring Program (CAMP) with continuous data collection for airborne particulates and volatile organics during remedial activities. Claire has completed progress reporting for NYSDEC, and assisted with the collection of soil and concrete samples proposed for reuse and/or off-site disposal during the redevelopment.

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BACKGROUND

Education

MS, Hydrogeology, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

BS, Civil Engineering, Lafayette College

Licenses/Certifications

Professional Engineer, NY - 082046-1

OSHA 40 Hour HAZWOPER

OSHA 8 Hour Refresher

REBECCA KINAL, PE

Senior Vice President

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

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Mott Haven Remediation, Bronx, NY

Rebecca provided environmental consulting services to the selected environmental remediation contractor for this former manufactured gas plant in Mott Haven the Bronx, which was remediated under the NYSDEC BCP.

Avalon Yonkers PCW, Yonkers, NY

Rebecca served as the Engineer of Record for remediation of the former Polychrome research and development site, a NYSDEC Brownfield redevelopment project along the Hudson River. The remediation included hot spot excavation, LNAPL collection, in-situ soil stabilization, soil management, groundwater treatment, dewatering, shoreline permitting, groundwater discharge permitting, and a site-wide engineered cover systems, including a vapor barrier and sub-slab depressurization system. Rebecca reviewed the design documents, supervised field inspections, provided support to the project team regarding contractor submittals and field changes, and certified the Final Engineering Report and Site Management Plan. The site received its Certificate of Completion in December 2019.

Hamilton Green (200 Hamilton Avenue), White Plains, NY

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

Montefiore Medical Center, Bronx and Westchester County, NY

Rebecca provided environmental due diligence assistance to MMC for the ongoing expansion of their facilities. She conducted and managed environmental due diligence tasks related to their property transactions, including Phase I ESAs, Phase II investigations, indoor air quality surveys/vapor intrusion assessments, and remediation cost estimates. She also assisted MMC in making decisions with respect to environmental risk issues. Projects ranged from small, single-lot properties to large hospital campuses.

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Lori A. Beyer

SUMMARY: General Manager/Laboratory Director with over 35 years' experience and a solid technical background combined with Management experience in environmental testing industry. Outstanding organizational, leadership, communication, and technical skills. Customer focused; quality oriented professional with consistently high marks in customer/employee satisfaction.

EXPERIENCE:

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

President

- Perform Data Validation activities relating to laboratory generated Organic and Inorganic Environmental Data according to the various protocols from the USEPA, EPA CLP, NYSASP and Test Methods for the Evaluation of Solid Waste, Methods for the Chemical Analysis of Water and Waste and the Federal Register.
- Use the USEPA National Functional Guidelines for Organic and Inorganic Data Validation as well as State requirements to report on laboratory data quality and determine data usability and prepare Data Usability Summary Reports (DUSR) for submission to the appropriate regulatory agencies.
- Apply Data Validation findings and qualifiers to NYSDEC Equis deliverables.

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Laboratory Director/Technical Director

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

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

General Manager

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

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

Technical Project Manager

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

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

Corporate QA/QC Officer

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

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

Data Review Manager

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

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

Data Review Specialist

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

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

GC/MS VOA Analyst

- Analyze samples by GC/MS technology.

EDUCATION:

1982-1985 State University of New York at Stony Brook, New York; BS Biology/Biochemistry
1981-1982 University of Delaware; Biology/Chemistry
5/1991 Rutgers University; Mass Spectral Data Interpretation Course, GC/MS Training
8/1992 Westchester Community College; Organic Data Validation Course
9/1993 Westchester Community College; Inorganic Data Validation Course

AXEL E. SCHWENDT

VICE PRESIDENT

Mr. Schwendt is a Vice President for AKRF with over 20 years of experience in the environmental consulting field. Mr. Schwendt has extensive experience in Phase II studies involving subsurface soil and groundwater investigations, and has been involved in all aspects of soil and groundwater remediation, including those related to manufactured gas plants (MGP). He has designed, managed and implemented large-scale site investigations and remedial measures for various properties, including those under different regulatory programs such as the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's (NYSDEC) Voluntary Cleanup Program and Brownfield Cleanup Program, New York State's Spill Response Program, the Mayor's Office of Environmental Remediation (OER) E-Designation Program, New Jersey's Industrial Site Recovery Act (ISRA), and Pennsylvania's Land Recycling program. Mr. Schwendt manages the hazardous materials tasks for the company's Environmental Impact Statements (EISs) and also conducts and manages Phase I Environmental Site Assessments (ESAs) for various individual clients and industries as well as for area-wide rezoning projects.

Mr. Schwendt has extensive experience in underground and aboveground storage tank (UST and AST) management, including tank removals, installations, and upgrades. He has designed and implemented remedial investigations surrounding UST and AST releases and overseen the installation and maintenance of pump-and-treat and other remedial systems. He has performed storage tank compliance audits and maintenance inspections all across the country and prepared Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasures Plans (SPCC Plans) for over 100 individual facilities, including designing and conducting the personnel training programs.

Mr. Schwendt worked with several other firms prior to joining AKRF, which provided him with a variety of skills. He has expertise with Chemical Bulk Storage Spill Prevention Reports, Environmental Emergency Response Plans, Integrated Contingency Plans, and multi-phase compliance audits, including some international projects. He has also performed various types of hydrogeologic testing, including pilot tests, slug tests, pump tests and groundwater modeling, and has been responsible for data review and management.

BACKGROUND

Education

B.A., Earth Science and Environmental Studies, Tulane University, 1991

M.S., Geology, University of Delaware, 2002

Years of Experience

Year started in company: 2002

Year started in industry: 1995

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

New York City Department of Design and Construction (NYCDDC) Feasibility and Pre-Scoping Services for East Side Coastal Resiliency, New York, NY

Mr. Schwendt assisted with the subsurface exploration program for a multidisciplinary design team selected by the New York City agency partnership of NYCDDC, New York City Department of Parks and Recreation (NYCDPR), and Office of Recovery and Resiliency (ORR) for the Feasibility Study and Pre-Scoping Services for East Side Coastal Resiliency (ESCR) project. The AKRF Team provided technical analysis and pre-scoping

services, including complex conceptual design services, for 100+ year storm protection with anticipated sea level rise along the east side of Lower Manhattan. The ESCR subsurface exploration program involved a review of available utility plans and environmental reports involving manufactured gas plant (MGP) and petroleum-related contamination along a 2.5 mile study area from Montgomery Street to East 23rd Street to develop a Subsurface Investigation Work Plan for approval by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP). The program included both public and private utility mark-out services across vast areas of the project containing critical infrastructure to enable the installation of 81 deep borings, 515 shallow borings, and 10 temporary groundwater wells.

New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation (NYCHHC)'s Post-Sandy mitigation program at Bellevue, Coler-Goldwater, Coney Island, and Metropolitan Hospitals

AKRF is assisting the NYCHHC in the recovery, reconstruction and hazard mitigation of Bellevue Hospital, Coler Hospital, and Coney Island Hospital and other NYCHHC facilities, which were damaged as a result of the Hurricane Sandy disaster. The majority of the funding for these projects will be reimbursed from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). AKRF is collecting baseline information and develop study plan and approach, including assessing for critical path approvals, preparing FEMA NEPA Environmental Assessments (EAs), conducting additional studies required by Federal Regulations for FEMA, permitting, and providing design/bid support. Mr. Schwendt is responsible for the hazazrdous materials tasks associated with the program, including conducting Phase I ESAs and subsurface (Phase II) investigations, and preparing necessary work plans and Remedial Action Plans (RAPs)/Construction Health and Safety Plans (CHASPs) for federal, state and city agency review and approval.

NYCDEP Task Order Contracts (TOCs) for Design and Construction Management Services Professional Engineering Design Services and Construction Management (PEDS)

AKRF is currently serving as environmental review and permitting subcontractor under all four NYCDEP TOCs contracts and both PEDS contracts that were recently awarded. In addition to the preparation of environmental review/ULURP documentation and permit applications, AKRF's responsibilities include site selection support, site/civil design, and the preparation of various permit management plans and regulatory compliance tracking in accordance with DEP's Project Delivery Manual. Mr. Schwendt is providing Hazardous Materials consulting services for the TOCs and PEDS contracts, including:

- Prospect Expressway Pump Station Upgrade;
- Clearview Pump Station Reconstruction;
- Rockaway Wastewater Treatment Plant Level 1 Biological Nutrient Removal (BNR) Upgrade; and
- Oakwood Beach Wastewater Treatment Plant Headworks Improvements.

Verdopolis JFK Airport Facility, Queens, NY

On behalf of Verdopolis JFK, AKRF prepared documentation for a New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Part 360 Solid Waste Management Facility Permit application. The facility, which would be constructed at the abandoned Hangar 16 site of the John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK Airport), would process 180,000 tons per year of source separated, pre-consumer organic waste generated largely by food preparation facilities at JFK Airport. Using an anaerobic digestion process, the proposed facility would convert the food waste, which would otherwise be discarded in a landfill or incinerated, into three usable products. Mr. Schwendt assisted in preparing the application package, including preparation of the Engineering Report, Operations and Maintenance Plan, Contingency Plan, Facility Closure Plan, Hiring and Training Plan,

Chemical Bulk Storage Spill Prevention Report, and the Spill Control Prevention and Countermeasure Plan (SPCC Plan). Mr. Schwendt also prepared a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) of the property to ascertain potential environmental conditions that may be exposed during site development activities.

2477 Third Avenue, Bronx, NY

Mr. Schwendt prepared the application to enter the former 2477 Third Avenue gasoline station property into the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's (NYSDEC) Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). Since its acceptance into the program, Mr. Schwendt has been managing and coordinating the remedial investigation of the site, including shallow and deep aquifer groundwater testing, delineation of known areas of soil contamination, soil vapor analyses, and investigation for potential non-aqueous phase liquid (DNAPL) from past industrial activities in the surrounding area. Mr. Schwendt was responsible for developing work plans for approval by the NYSDEC and New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), and for preparing summary reports for public comment. As part of the project, Mr. Schwendt coordinated with the client, lawyers, and architects of the planned development, tenants of neighboring properties, NYSDEC, NYSDOH, and the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP). Mr. Schwendt is also conducting the work necessary to address a hazardous materials E-Designation assigned to the property.

E-Designation Properties/Voluntary Cleanup Program, New York City, NY

Mr. Schwendt has assisted various public and private clients with addressing E-Designations assigned by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP) to properties throughout New York City. He has prepared the required Phase I Environmental Site Assessments (Phase I ESAs) and implemented Phase II testing to the satisfaction of the New York Office of Environmental Remediation (OER). Based on the results of the testing, he has prepared Remedial Action Plans (RAPs) and Construction Health and Safety Plans (CHASPs) for approval by the NYCOER, which included strategies for mitigating on-site environmental conditions and plans for incorporating environmental engineering controls into proposed construction projects. Mr. Schwendt's clients promptly receive the Notice of Satisfaction necessary to acquire building permits from the New York City Department of Buildings (DOB). Mr. Schwendt has also managed several projects enrolled in the New York City Voluntary Cleanup Program.

St. George Ferry Terminal, Staten Island, NY

Mr. Schwendt prepared a Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasures Plan (SPCC Plan) for the Department of Transportation's (DOT) St. George Ferry Terminal facility in Staten Island. The facility's bulk containers store over 600,000-gallons of petroleum used to fuel boilers and emergency generators, provide oil for maintenance and repair of equipment and vessels, and to fuel the ferry vessels. Mr. Schwendt also consulted the DOT on how to upgrade the facility's fueling systems to comply with the SPCC and New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) regulations.

Mount Sinai Medical Center, Manhattan, NY

Mr. Schwendt managed the Hazardous Materials task for the environmental assessment of the Mount Sinai Medical Center, which is constructing a 700,000 sf, mixed-use residential and bio-medical research facility building. His work included managing the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA), Phase II investigation, and preparing the Remedial Action Plan (RAP) and Construction Health and Safety Plan (CHASP) approved by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP).

Lincoln Center Development Project, New York, NY

On behalf of the Lincoln Center Development Project, Inc., Mr. Schwendt conducted a Subsurface (Phase II) Investigation in the area of an underground storage tank (UST) farm located beneath the lower garage level of the West 62nd Street parking garage at Lincoln Center. The Phase II study was prompted by a request from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to properly close out the tanks. The tank farm includes seventeen (17) 550-gallon gasoline USTs and one (1) 550-gallon waste oil UST. The purpose of this Phase

II investigation was to determine whether historic leaks from the tanks had affected the subsurface and to assist with future tank closure activities. The Phase II report was submitted to the NYSDEC for review and included a request to close the tanks in-place instead of removing them due to the structural constraints of the tank farm location. Mr. Schwendt also managed the closure of the 18 USTs to the satisfaction of the NYSDEC.

512-522 Vanderbilt Avenue, Brooklyn, NY

On behalf of the Empire State Development Corporation (ESDC), AKRF was retained to provide hazardous material consulting services in connection with the former gasoline station property located at 512-522 Vanderbilt Avenue. Mr. Schwendt performed a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA), a geophysical survey of the site, and a soil and groundwater subsurface investigation. Data from the investigation would be used to assess remedial strategies during development of the site.

Whitney Museum of American Art, Gansevoort Facility, New York, NY

AKRF has provided various consulting services in support of the Whitney Museum of American Art's long-term planning requirements. Tasks have included transportation surveys, traffic counts, attendance projections, visual impact and shadow studies, economic benefit studies, and two Environmental Assessment Statements (EASs) for proposed new facilities for the Museum. Mr. Schwendt was responsible for the hazardous materials elements of the assessment, including preparing a Phase I ESA and conducting several Subsurface (Phase II) Investigations for review by the New York City department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP) and Mayor's Office of Environmental Remediation (OER). Mr. Schwendt prepared and managed the implementation of the OER-approved Remedial Action Plan (RAP) for the construction project and is responsible for satisfying all of the associated regulatory reporting requirements. Environmental work at the site also included mitigating a petroleum spill discovered during site excavation activities and coordinating all remedial efforts with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's (NYSDEC) Department of Environmental Remediation (DER).

New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY

The New York Botanical Garden (NYBG) proposed to construct an accessory parking garage of approximately 825 spaces at Bedford Park Boulevard and Webster Avenue in the Bronx to provide a parking garage for staff and visitors who cannot be accommodated within NYBG's on-site facilities. Mr. Schwendt was the Project Manager for the environmental assessment's hazardous materials work, which included a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA), Phase II Investigation and the preparation of a Remedial Action Plan (RAP) and a Construction Health and Safety Plan (CHASP) to the satisfaction of the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP). As construction proceeds, Mr. Schwendt will be responsible for managing the environmental monitoring during all subsurface work and preparing the post-construction Closure Report required by the NYCDEP in order to receive the Notice of Satisfaction necessary to obtain occupancy permits from the New York City Department of Buildings (DOB).

Roberto Clemente State Park, Bronx, NY

AKRF participated in the rehabilitation of an existing ballfield, redevelopment of the existing picnic areas, and shoreline restoration along the Harlem River at Roberto Clemente State Park. AKRF is charged with preparing the Joint Permit Application which is necessary to procure the federal, state and local permits and approvals for the shoreline redevelopment. Mr. Schwendt worked with the firm's engineering group to conduct testing to pre-characterize soil to assist with the management of soil during construction. The testing included pre-characterization of soil for on-site reuse in accordance with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) tidal wetland permit requirements and testing for physical parameters required for landscape planning.

Long Island Power Authority (LIPA), Long Island, NY

Mr. Schwendt managed the preparation of Phase I Environmental Site Assessments and Phase II Investigations, along with the Hazardous Materials chapters for Environmental Impact Statements, for properties owned or to be acquired by LIPA to identify potential sources of environmental contaminants prior to power station and power line installation.

Rose Plaza on the River, Brooklyn, NY

Mr. Schwendt conducted a Subsurface (Phase II) Investigation at the 470 Kent Avenue property located in Brooklyn, New York. The objective of the subsurface investigation was to characterize the subsurface soil and groundwater conditions and determine whether past or present on-site and/or off-site potential sources of contamination have adversely affected the site. Results of the Phase II study were also used to evaluate any potential environmental risks and/or the need for remedial action at the site prior to future development. The proposed development of the site includes the construction of approximately 665 market rate dwelling units and approximately 33,750 square feet of commercial uses. The scope of the Phase II study was based on a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (January 2004) performed by AKRF, which identified recognized environmental conditions for the site, including the potential for soil and groundwater contamination from a historical on-site manufactured gas plant, and potential underground storage tanks. Phase II activities were conducted in accordance with AKRF's Sampling Protocol and site-specific Health and Safety Plan (HASP), which was reviewed and approved by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP).

Albert Einstein College of Medicine Environmental Investigation, Bronx, NY

Mr. Schwendt managed a Subsurface (Phase II) Investigation at an approximately eight-acre portion of the Jacobi Medical Center fronting on Eastchester Road in the Bronx, New York. The site, owned by New York City, contained an old boiler house, a storage warehouse, a laundry facility, and several paved parking areas. The objective of the subsurface investigation was to characterize the subsurface conditions on the property and determine whether past or present on-site and/or off-site potential sources of contamination have adversely affected the site.

Storage Deluxe, Various Locations, NY

Mr. Schwendt is currently the project manager for assisting Storage Deluxe with the ongoing expansion of their self-storage facilities primarily in the five boroughs of New York City and Westchester County. He conducts and manages environmental due diligence needs related to their property transactions, including Phase I Environmental Site Assessments (ESAs), Phase II investigations, and geophysical surveys, as well as consulting on petroleum bulk storage tank management. He assists Storage Deluxe in making decisions with respect to environmental risk issues.

South Bronx Overall Economic Development Corporation (SoBRO) Port Morris Brownfield Opportunity Areas (BOA), Bronx, NY

Mr. Schwendt is assisting SoBRO with the in-depth and thorough analysis of existing conditions, opportunities, and reuse potential for properties located in the proposed Port Morris Brownfield Opportunity Area with an emphasis on the identification and reuse potential of strategic brownfield sites that may be catalysts for revitalization. His work so far has included the preparation of Phase I Environmental Site Assessments (ESAs) and conducting Phase II investigations for the catalyst sites and advising on the suitability of enacting zoning changes to permit various property uses. Mr. Schwendt also assisted SoBRO with the BOA application process.

Kings Plaza, LLC Total Energy Plant, Brooklyn, NY

Mr. Schwendt has conducted regular environmental compliance reviews of the Kings Plaza Total Energy Plant (TEP) in Brooklyn, New York. The reviews were conducted to observe operations and to review environmental permits, agency correspondence, operating records, recordkeeping and monitoring procedures, and regulatory reporting requirements. As a result of the review, Mr. Schwendt provided the TEP with recommendations for the

management of various waste streams and petroleum/chemical bulk storage associated with facility operations and prepared a Spill Control Prevention and Countermeasure Plan (SPCC Plan) for the facility.

270 Greenwich Street, New York NY

Mr. Schwendt conducted a subsurface (Phase II) investigation that included the advancement of soil borings and the collection of soil and groundwater samples from the 270 Greenwich Street property in the Tribeca neighborhood of New York City. The site will be developed with approximately 402 dwelling units (172 rental units and 230 for sale condominiums), approximately 224,084 gross square feet of destination and local retail space, and below-grade public parking. The purpose of this Phase II subsurface investigation was to ascertain subsurface soil and groundwater quality beneath the site and determine whether past on- or off-site operations have affected the property. The subsurface investigation was also intended to determine whether there are any special handling or disposal requirements for pumped groundwater, should dewatering be necessary during site development. The Phase II study included soil and groundwater sampling as well as a geophysical investigation to determine whether unknown underground storage tanks were present at the site. Field activities were performed in accordance with Mr. Schwendt's Sampling Protocol and Health and Safety Plan (HASP), which were approved by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP).

Columbia University Manhattanville Rezoning and Academic Mixed-Use Development, New York, NY

Mr. Schwendt managed the hazardous materials task on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for approximately 4 million square feet of new academic, research and neighborhood uses to be constructed north of Columbia University's existing Morningside Heights campus. The work included more than 25 Phase I Environmental Site Assessments (ESAs) for the properties within the rezoning area and estimates for upcoming investigation and remediation. In addition, a Preliminary Environmental Site Assessment (PESA) was completed for the whole project area. Recognized environmental concerns in the area included: current and historical underground storage tanks; current and historical auto-related use such as repair shops and gasoline stations; two historical manufactured gas holders; and a Consolidated Edison cooling plant located on West 132nd Street. Mr. Schwendt conducted a subsurface investigation at the site to characterize the subsurface conditions on the property and determine whether past or present on-site and/or off-site potential sources of contamination have adversely affected the study site, and to use the analytical data to evaluate any potential environmental risks and/or the need for remedial action at the site prior to future development. Based on the results of the investigation, Mr. Schwendt prepared a Remedial Action Plan (RAP) and Construction Health and Safety Plan (CHASP) for the project, which was approved by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP).

Hudson River Park, New York, NY

Mr. Schwendt serves as the on-call environmental consultant for the ongoing development of the Hudson River Park, the approximately 5 to 6 mile section of waterfront property from Battery Place to 59th Street along the western edge of Manhattan. He conducts subsurface investigations, coordinates tank removals, implements soil and groundwater remediations, provides guidance on construction and environmental health and safety issues, interfaces with regulatory agencies as necessary, and manages the mitigation of environmental conditions encountered during site development activities.

Brooklyn Bridge Park, Brooklyn, NY

AKRF is providing environmental planning and review services for the development of a new 70-acre park that will revitalize 1.5 miles of the East River waterfront between Jay Street and Atlantic Avenue. When completed, the park will provide open space, recreational facilities, a hotel, restaurants, and retail, historic, and educational venues. Mr. Schwendt was involved with the completion of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and conducted a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) and Phase II Subsurface Investigation for the proposed Brooklyn

Bridge Park area. He serves as the park's on-call consultant for addressing environmental conditions as development progresses and has conducted several tank removals and contaminated soil delineation and remediation projects for various sections of the park.

Titan Property Management, Rego Park, NY

Mr. Schwendt was involved with an extensive site investigation for a property involved in the New York State Voluntary Cleanup Program. The property was resting on a plume of PCE contamination. The goal of the investigation was to determine whether the property is the source of the contamination and to collect data to provide information for the design and implementation of a site remedial system. The investigation involved extensive soil, soil gas, and groundwater investigation, and included the investigation of surrounding properties.

ABCO Refrigeration Company, Long Island, NY

Mr. Schwendt managed a tank closure and dry well assessment and remediation project for the ABCO Refrigeration Company. Historic contamination was found seeping from the ground in the location of an old underground storage tank, which is believed to be a source of adverse impact. An adjacent drywell was impacted by the tank as well as from past dumping activities of a former typewriter ribbon ink manufacturing company. A site-wide investigation of the ten drywells was also implemented at the request of the Nassau County Department of Health. Mr. Schwendt undertook soil remedial activities that led to the property receiving closure with respect to the underground storage tank. Drywell remedial activities were successful and the site received approval from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) to continue use of on-site drywells.

Levin Management Corporation Property—Site Investigation, Pelham Manor, NY

Mr. Schwendt was involved in the site investigation of a former manufactured gas plant (MGP) that handled petroleum off-loading and storage until the late 1950s. Soils have also been observed to have been affected by non-aqueous phase liquid (NAPL) consisting of oil- and tar-like material. Floating or light NAPL (LNAPL) has also been detected in on-site groundwater. The objectives of the site investigation were to collect additional data to further determine the extent of NAPL-affected soil both above and below the water table throughout the site and to further delineate groundwater contamination throughout the site. The site investigation also sought to confirm the on-site groundwater flow direction and that NAPL had not migrated to the downgradient perimeter of the site, including Eastchester Creek. Mr. Schwendt was brought on board for this project for his expertise in soil and groundwater MGP contaminant delineation.

NYCDEP Bureau of Environmental Engineering 26th Ward Wastewater Treatment Plant—Site Investigation, Brooklyn, New York

Mr. Schwendt managed and conducted environmental sampling and testing at the 26th Ward Wastewater Treatment Plant property located in Brooklyn, New York. This investigation was performed to determine the presence or absence of contamination in the soil and groundwater that would affect the proposed construction of a new raw sewage pump station. Mr. Schwendt provided the 26th Ward with the protocol necessary for the special handling and disposal of the excavated soil as well as for the groundwater that would be pumped during dewatering operations.

Olnick Organization, New York, NY

AKRF was retained by the Olnick Organization to prepare and implement an Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasures Plan (SPCC Plan) for their aboveground storage tank system for an office building in Manhattan. Mr. Schwendt performed the site inspections and provided the Olnick Organization with a list of recommendations for upgrades to their fuel transfer piping system that would bring the facility into compliance with SPCC regulations. He also provided Olnick with a plan for implementing the required SPCC training program for their facility personnel.

Site investigations of former MGP Facilities/Properties for Consolidated Edison, New York City, NY & Westchester County, NY

While with another firm, Mr. Schwendt worked on this project, which included a service station in New York City and an electrical substation in Westchester County, New York. Mr. Schwendt performed the site characterizations, including subsurface soil and groundwater impact delineation and aquifer testing. The findings from these characterizations are being used by Consolidated Edison to make appropriate changes to the design specifications and to plan for appropriate handling of impacted materials and health and safety protocols during future construction activities.

UST Site Investigation and Remediation for Consolidated Edison Service Center, Queens, NY

While with another firm, Mr. Schwendt worked on this project, which included due diligence site reviews, soil boring installation, monitoring well installation, hydrogeologic testing, and water quality sampling. Risk-based closures incorporating natural attenuation and groundwater monitoring activities have been proposed. Remedial work plans are under development for other facilities where more aggressive remedial actions are required. Mr. Schwendt also performed subsurface investigations and site characterizations for several other Consolidated Edison facilities including soil-gas surveys and a radiological scoping survey.

Petroleum Bulk Storage Management Program for Bell Atlantic-New York (now Verizon), Manhattan, Brooklyn, Queens, Bronx, Staten Island, and Long Island, NY

While with another firm, Mr. Schwendt personally designed and conducted subsurface investigations for underground storage tank (UST) remediations including characterization of releases, soil and ground water investigations, pilot tests, slug tests, pump tests, groundwater modeling, horizontal and vertical impact delineation, and preparation of compliance documentation for regulatory agencies. He performed oversight of the installation of 'pump and treat' remedial systems and performed maintenance activities. He also supervised UST installations, upgrades and closures; implemented tank tightness testing programs; addressed on-site health and safety issues and other regulatory requirements; prepared closure reports; and managed soil disposal.

Hertz Rent-A-Car Corporate Headquarters, Park Ridge, NJ

While with another firm, Mr. Schwendt served as an in-house consultant/project manager for the environmental department at Hertz's corporate office in Park Ridge, New Jersey. He managed Phase I and Phase II investigations for real estate purchases, leases and acquisitions throughout the United States and Canada. He coordinated Hertz's subcontractors and environmental consulting firms, reviewed reports, and made recommendations to the legal and real estate departments with respect to environmental risk issues.

Temple University, Philadelphia, PA

Mr. Schwendt was a lead auditor for a multi-phase compliance audit of the five campuses of Temple University. The audit included an assessment of all of the Temple University Hospitals, the School of Medicine, the College of Science and Technology, the Tyler School of Art, the College of Engineering, Ambler College (Community and Regional Planning, Horticulture, and Landscape Architecture), the Physical Plant Department, and all university facilities and maintenance departments. Regulatory programs targeted as part of the audit included, but were not limited to, federal and state air and water programs, hazardous waste management, hazardous chemicals and substances, Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) for pesticides, emergency response, Community Right-to-Know, Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA), and petroleum bulk storage regulations. Following completion of the audit, Mr. Schwendt prepared and implemented an environmental management system that conformed to the needs and culture of the Temple University organization.

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Mr. Schwendt was the lead auditor for an environmental compliance audit of the University of Pennsylvania's Department of Environmental Health and Radiation Safety. The audit included an assessment for the preparation and implementation of the university's Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasures Plans (SPCC Plans). Mr. Schwendt prepared and implemented the university's environmental management program and provided training for the facility personnel.

Wistar Institute, Philadelphia, PA

Mr. Schwendt was the lead auditor for an environmental compliance audit of the Wistar Institute, an independent non-profit biomedical research institute in West Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The multi-phase audit comprised an assessment of the entire facility for compliance with federal, state and local environmental regulations and included the development of an environmental management system.

Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ

Mr. Schwendt was a lead auditor for a multi-phase compliance audit of the Seton Hall University campus. The audit comprised an assessment of the entire facility for compliance with federal and state air and water programs, hazardous waste management programs, hazardous chemicals and substances programs, the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) for pesticides, emergency response and Community Right-to-Know regulations, the Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA), and petroleum bulk storage regulations. The audit included the development and implementation of an environmental management system for the Seton Hall University faculty and staff.

New York City College of Technology (City Tech) Academic Building, Brooklyn, New York

Mr. Schwendt is assisting the City University of New York (CUNY) and the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY) in addressing the E-Designation assigned to the New York City College of Technology (City Tech) redevelopment project site in Brooklyn, New York. CUNY is proposing to construct an eight-story academic building with classrooms, laboratories, administrative space, and underground parking. Mr. Schwendt conducted the required Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) and Phase II testing to the satisfaction of the Mayor's Office of Environmental Remediation (OER) and will assist CUNY with entering the project site in the City's Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP). The work will include preparing the required Remedial Action Plan (RAP) and Construction Health and Safety Plan (CHASP) and conducting the necessary environmental monitoring during construction. Mr. Schwendt will also prepare the closure documentation required for CUNY to receive the Notice of Satisfaction necessary to obtain occupancy permits from the New York City Department of Buildings (DOB).

New York University Langone Medical Center, New York, NY

Mr. Schwendt managed the hazardous materials task on the EAS for the NYU Langone Medical Center (NYULMC) development project in Manhattan, New York. NYULMC is in the process of developing the Kimmel Program, which consists of two new buildings on its main campus: the Kimmel Pavilion to house hospital functions and an Energy Building to house a combined heat and power (CHP) plant, primary electric service and emergency generators to support the campus, as well as space for patient care (specifically, radiation oncology). The work included conducting Phase I Environmental Site Assessments and Phase II subsurface investigations at each site to characterize the subsurface environmental conditions at the project site. Based on the results of the investigations, a Remedial Action Plan (RAP) and Construction Health and Safety Plan (CHASP) were prepared for each project phase for submission to the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP) and Mayor's Office of Environmental Remediation (OER). Mr. Schwendt will assist NYULMC by conducting the environmental monitoring required by the agency-approved RAPs/CHASPs as construction progresses, and will prepare the closure documentation required by the agencies to obtain Certificates of Occupancy from the New York City Department of Buildings (DOB).

DASNY Term Environmental Consultant 2006-2012 and 2012-2016, Various Locations, NY

Mr. Schwendt serves as a hazardous materials task leader under the firm's on-call contract with DASNY, through which AKRF is providing State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and City Environmental Quality Review (CEQR) environmental review services for a wide range of educational, healthcare and other institutional projects, as well as specialized technical services in historic and archaeological resources, hazardous materials, traffic, air quality, noise, and natural resources. Mr. Schwendt has also assisted DASNY with addressing E-Designations and by conducting various types of environmental investigations, including Phase I and Phase II assessments.

NYCDEP Permit Resource Division On-Call Contract, New York, NY

Under subcontract to a national engineering firm, and as part of two successive Program Management contracts, AKRF is providing support in a wide range of technical areas related to environmental and engineering permits for NYCDEP capital projects. These services fall into two major categories: preparing detailed guidance documents that will be used by project designers and construction managers on future projects, in order to expedite permit approvals and prevent delays; and providing expert review and guidance regarding permits for current projects, in order to ensure completeness of permit applications and effective coordination with regulatory agencies. The technical areas covered by AKRF include: wetlands, groundwater, surface water, and other natural resources; hazardous materials; traffic and transportation; air quality; noise and vibration; historic and archaeological resources; stormwater management; open space and parkland; and a broad range of permits and approvals from the New York City Fire Department (FDNY), the New York City Police Department (NYPD), the New York City Department of Buildings (NYCDOB), and other municipal agencies. AKRF is also helping NYCDEP improve the overall process for tracking environmental and engineering permits and approvals, from the planning and design phases of a project to construction and long-term operation. Mr. Schwendt provides consulting services related to the hazardous materials issues.

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BACKGROUND

EDUCATION

M.S., Environmental Science, New Jersey Institute of Technology, 2007
B.Tech, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar National Institute of Technology, India, 2005

Years of Experience

Year started in industry: 2007
Year started in company: 2007

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

NYU Langone Medical Center (NYULMC) – Kimmel Pavilion, New York, NY

New York University Langone Medical Center enrolled in the New York City Voluntary Cleanup Program (NYC VCP) to investigate and remediate the property located at 424 East 34th Street in Manhattan. The proposed development consisted of a new medical facility. Mr. Sharma provided construction oversight during site excavation, spill investigation and remediation, coordination and management of soil removal, oversight of the on-site air monitoring program, identification and proper management of contamination encountered during excavation work, and maintenance of critical paperwork.

551 Tenth Avenue, New York, NY

Extell 4110 LLC enrolled in the New York City Voluntary Cleanup Program (NYC VCP) to investigate and remediate the property located at 547-551 Tenth Avenue in Manhattan. The property was developed with a 52-story residential building with one sub-grade level. Mr. Sharma provided construction oversight during site excavation, spill remediation, coordination and management of soil removal and fill material imports, oversight of the on-site air monitoring program, identification and proper management of contamination encountered during excavation work, and maintenance of critical paperwork and preparation of the final closure report.

New York City School Construction Authority, Various Locations, NY

Under contract with the School Construction Authority (SCA) of New York City, AKRF is providing assistance with water disinfection projects for new schools and for plumbing upgrades for existing school buildings. Mr. Sharma has been providing assistance with contractor oversight work during the disinfection process as per the contract agreement.

Yankee Stadium Demolition, Bronx, NY

The New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC) project include demolition of the old Yankee Stadium and construction of a ball field known as Heritage Field. Mr. Sharma provided air monitoring and remedial action plan (RAP) oversight during the demolition and soil disturbance work.

East River Science Park, New York, NY

The New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC) proposed to construct two seventeen-story buildings to serve as a biomedical research center. The space between the two towers included an elevated atrium and an outdoor plaza on top of a parking garage. Mr. Sharma provided construction oversight during site excavation, coordination and management of soil removal and fill material imports, oversight of the on-site air monitoring program, identification and proper management of contamination encountered during excavation work, and maintenance of critical paperwork and preparation of the final closure report.

Whitney Museum of American Art, NY

Mr. Sharma provided assistance with subsurface soil and groundwater investigation, construction oversight and soil disposal management during the remediation phase of the project. The project included the construction of approximately 230,000-square foot museum building with one sub-grade level with exhibition galleries, administrative offices, accessory use (café and bookstore), storage space, and an approximately 4,000-square foot restaurant.

W 61st Street Site, NY

Mr. Sharma provided assistance with construction oversight during site excavation activities and helped prepare the final closure report for the site which, as part of the Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP), was slated for redevelopment as two residential buildings with a courtyard and a tennis court.

164 Kent Avenue, Brooklyn, NY

The site was developed as mixed-use residential-commercial high rise towers with an esplanade and a pier on the East River. Mr. Sharma provided assistance with construction oversight during soil handling activities and running the Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP).

285 Jay Street, Brooklyn, NY

Under contract with the Dormitory Authority of the State New York (DASNY), AKRF completed a Phase II Subsurface investigation at the site of a proposed CUNY educational building to satisfy New York City E-designation requirements. As part of the work AKRF performed at the site, Mr. Sharma conducted sub-surface soil and groundwater investigation work and coordinated with the driller and the property owner for successful completion of the work.

MTA Long Island Railroad, East Side Access Project, New York, NY

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) sponsored the East Side Access project to connect the Long Island Railroad to the Grand Central Terminal, thereby allowing Long Island commuters direct access to the East Side of Manhattan. Mr. Sharma provided assistance with the execution of the Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) at various locations during the construction phase.

2341–2357 Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Boulevard, New York, NY

AKRF performed a Phase II study to meet the requirements of the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP) and to determine whether subsurface conditions had been affected by the on-site and/or off-site petroleum storage tanks and to ascertain whether current or

former on- or off-site activities had adversely affected the subject property. Mr. Sharma conducted sub-surface soil and groundwater investigation at the abandoned site slated for future development. He was responsible for coordinating with the driller and the property owner for successful completion of the work.

ATTACHMENT B
NYSDEC REVISED SAMPLING PROTOCOL FOR EMERGING CONTAMINANTS

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SAMPLING, ANALYSIS, AND ASSESSMENT OF PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES (PFAS)

Under NYSDEC's Part 375 Remedial Programs

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SAMPLING, ANALYSIS, AND ASSESSMENT OF PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES (PFAS) Under NYSDEC's Part 375 Remedial Programs Issued January 17, 2020

Citation and Page Number	Current Text	Corrected Text	Date
Title of Appendix I, page 32	Appendix H	Appendix I	2/25/2020
Document Cover, page 1	Guidelines for Sampling and Analysis of PFAS	Sampling, Analysis, and Assessment of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Under NYSDEC's Part 375 Remedial Programs	9/15/2020
Data Assessment and Application to Site Cleanup Page 3	Until such time as Ambient Water Quality Standards (AWQS) and Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) for PFOA and PFOS are published	Until such time as Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) for PFOA and PFOS are published	3/28/2023
Water Sample Results Page 3	PFOA and PFOS should be further assessed and considered as potential contaminants of concern in groundwater or surface water if PFOA or PFOS is detected in any water sample at or above 10 ng/L (ppt) and is determined to be attributable to the site, either by a comparison of upgradient and downgradient levels, or the presence of soil source areas, as defined below.	NYSDEC has adopted ambient water quality guidance values for PFOA and PFOS. Groundwater samples should be compared to the human health criteria of 6.7 ng/l (ppt) for PFOA and 2.7 ng/l (ppt) for PFOS. These guidance values also include criteria for surface water for PFOS applicable for aquatic life, which may be applicable at some sites. Drinking water sample results should be compared to the NYS maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 10 ng/l (ppt).Analysis to determine if PFOA and PFOS concentrations are attributable to the site should include a comparison between upgradient and downgradient levels, and the presence of soil source areas, as defined below.	3/28/2023
Soil Sample Results Page 3	Soil cleanup objectives for PFOA and PFOS have been proposed in an upcoming revision to 6 NYCRR Part 375-6. Until SCOs are in effect, the following are to be used as guidance values:	NYSDEC will delay adding soil cleanup objectives for PFOA and PFOS to 6 NYCRR Part 375-6 until the PFAS rural soil background study has been completed. Until SCOs are in effect, the following are to be used as guidance values:	3/28/2023
Protection of Groundwater Page 3	PFOA (ppb) 1.1 PFOS (ppb) 3.7	PFOA (ppb) 0.8 PFOS (ppb) 1.0	3/28/2023

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Footnote 2 Page 3	The movement of PFAS in the environment is being aggressively researched at this time; that research will eventually result in more accurate models for the behaviors of these chemicals. In the meantime, DEC has calculated the guidance value for the protection of groundwater using the same procedure used for all other chemicals, as described in Section 7.7 of the Technical Support Document (http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/techsuppdoc.pdf).	The Protection of Groundwater values are based on the above referenced ambient groundwater guidance values. Details on that calculation are available in the following document, prepared for the February 2022 proposed changes to Part 375 (https://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/part375techsupport.pdf). The movement of PFAS in the environment is being aggressively researched at this time; that research will eventually result in more accurate models for the behaviors of these chemicals. In the meantime, DEC has calculated the guidance value for the protection of groundwater using the same procedure used for all other chemicals, as described in Section 7.7 of the Technical Support Document (http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/techsuppdoc.pdf).	3/28/2023
Testing for Imported Soil Page 4	If the concentrations of PFOA and PFOS in leachate are at or above 10 ppt (the Maximum Contaminant Levels established for drinking water by the New York State Department of Health), then the soil is not acceptable.	If the concentrations of PFOA and PFOS in leachate are at or above the ambient water quality guidance values for groundwater, then the soil is not acceptable.	3/28/2023
Routine Analysis, page 9	"However, laboratories analyzing environmental samples…PFOA and PFOS in drinking water by EPA Method 537, 537.1 or ISO 25101."	"However, laboratories analyzing environmental samples…PFOA and PFOS in drinking water by EPA Method 537, 537.1, ISO 25101, or Method 533."	9/15/2020
Additional Analysis, page 9, new paragraph regarding soil parameters	None	"In cases where site-specific cleanup objectives for PFOA and PFOS are to be assessed, soil parameters, such as Total Organic Carbon (EPA Method 9060), soil pH (EPA Method 9045), clay content (percent), and cation exchange capacity (EPA Method 9081), should be included in the analysis to help evaluate factors affecting the leachability of PFAS in site soils."	9/15/2020

Citation and Page Number	Current Text	Corrected Text	Date
Data Assessment and Application to Site Cleanup Page 10	Until such time as Ambient Water Quality Standards (AWQS) and Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) for PFAS are published, the extent of contaminated media potentially subject to remediation should be determined on a case-by-case basis using the procedures discussed below and the criteria in DER-10. Target levels for cleanup of PFAS in other media, including biota and sediment, have not yet been established by the DEC.	Until such time as Ambient Water Quality Standards (AWQS) and Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) for PFOA and PFOS are published, the extent of contaminated media potentially subject to remediation should be determined on a case-by-case basis using the procedures discussed below and the criteria in DER-10. Preliminary target levels for cleanup of PFOA and PFOS in other media, including biota and sediment, have not yet been established by the DEC.	9/15/2020
Water Sample Results Page 10	PFAS should be further assessed and considered as a potential contaminant of concern in groundwater or surface water (…) If PFAS are identified as a contaminant of concern for a site, they should be assessed as part of the remedy selection process in accordance with Part 375 and DER-10.	PFOA and PFOS should be further assessed and considered as potential contaminants of concern in groundwater or surface water (…) If PFOA and/or PFOS are identified as contaminants of concern for a site, they should be assessed as part of the remedy selection process in accordance with Part 375 and DER-10.	9/15/2020

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Soil Sample Results, page 10	"The extent of soil contamination for purposes of delineation and remedy selection should be determined by having certain soil samples tested by Synthetic Precipitation Leaching Procedure (SPLP) and the leachate analyzed for PFAS. Soil exhibiting SPLP results above 70 ppt for either PFOA or PFOS (individually or combined) are to be evaluated during the cleanup phase."	"Soil cleanup objectives for PFOA and PFOS will be proposed in an upcoming revision to 6 NYCRR Part 375-6. Until SCOs are in effect, the following are to be used as guidance values. " [Interim SCO Table] "PFOA and PFOS results for soil are to be compared against the guidance values listed above. These guidance values are to be used in determining whether PFOA and PFOS are contaminants of concern for the site and for determining remedial action objectives and cleanup requirements. Site-specific remedial objectives for protection of groundwater can also be presented for evaluation by DEC. Development of site-specific remedial objectives for protection of groundwater will require analysis of additional soil parameters relating to leachability. These additional analyses can include any or all the parameters listed above (soil pH, cation exchange capacity, etc.) and/or use of SPLP. As the understanding of PFAS transport improves, DEC welcomes proposals for site-specific remedial objectives for protection of groundwater. DEC will expect that those may be dependent on additional factors including soil pH, aqueous pH, % organic carbon, % Sand/Silt/Clay, soil cations: K, Ca, Mg, Na, Fe, Al, cation exchange capacity, and anion exchange capacity. Site-specific remedial objectives should also consider the dilution attenuation factor (DAF). The NJDEP publication on DAF can be used as a reference: https://www.nj.gov/dep/srp/guidance/rs/daf.pdf. "	9/15/2020

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Testing for Imported Soil Page 11	Soil imported to a site for use in a soil cap, soil cover, or as backfill is to be tested for PFAS in general conformance with DER-10, Section 5.4(e) for the PFAS Analyte List (Appendix F) using the analytical procedures discussed below and the criteria in DER-10 associated with SVOCs. If PFOA or PFOS is detected in any sample at or above 1 µg/kg, then soil should be tested by SPLP and the leachate analyzed for PFAS. If the SPLP results exceed 10 ppt for either PFOA or PFOS (individually) then the source of backfill should be rejected, unless a site-specific exemption is provided by DER. SPLP leachate criteria is based on the Maximum Contaminant Levels proposed for drinking water by New York State's Department of Health, this value may be updated based on future Federal or State promulgated regulatory standards. Remedial parties have the option of analyzing samples concurrently for both PFAS in soil and in the SPLP leachate to minimize project delays. Category B deliverables should be submitted for backfill samples, though a DUSR is not required.	Testing for PFAS should be included any time a full TAL/TCL analyte list is required. Results for PFOA and PFOS should be compared to the applicable guidance values. If PFOA or PFOS is detected in any sample at or above the guidance values then the source of backfill should be rejected, unless a site-specific exemption is provided by DER based on SPLP testing, for example. If the concentrations of PFOA and PFOS in leachate are at or above 10 ppt (the Maximum Contaminant Levels established for drinking water by the New York State Department of Health), then the soil is not acceptable. PFOA, PFOS and 1,4-dioxane are all considered semi-volatile compounds, so composite samples are appropriate for these compounds when sampling in accordance with DER-10, Table 5.4(e)10. Category B deliverables should be submitted for backfill samples, though a DUSR is not required.	9/15/2020

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Footnotes	None	[1] TOP Assay analysis of highly contaminated samples, such as those from an AFFF (aqueous film-forming foam) site, can result in incomplete oxidation of the samples and an underestimation of the total perfluoroalkyl substances. [2] The movement of PFAS in the environment is being aggressively researched at this time; that research will eventually result in more accurate models for the behaviors of these chemicals. In the meantime, DEC has calculated the soil cleanup objective for the protection of groundwater using the same procedure used for all other chemicals, as described in Section 7.7 of the Technical Support Document (http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/techsuppdoc.pdf).	9/15/2020
Additional Analysis, page 9	In cases… soil parameters, such as Total Organic Carbon (EPA Method 9060), soil…	In cases… soil parameters, such as Total Organic Carbon (Lloyd Kahn), soil…	1/8/2021
Appendix A, General Guidelines, fourth bullet	List the ELAP-approved lab(s) to be used for analysis of samples	List the ELAP- certified lab(s) to be used for analysis of samples	1/8/2021
Appendix E, Laboratory Analysis and Containers	Drinking water samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS by ISO Method 25101.	Drinking water samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS by EPA Method 537, 537.1, 533, or ISO Method 25101	1/8/2021
Water Sample Results Page 9	"In addition, further assessment of water may be warranted if either of the following screening levels are met: a. any other individual PFAS (not PFOA or PFOS) is detected in water at or above 100 ng/L; or b. total concentration of PFAS (including PFOA and PFOS) is detected in water at or above 500 ng/L"	Deleted	6/15/2021

Citation and Page Number	Current Text	Corrected Text	Date
Routine Analysis, Page XX	Currently, New York State Department of Health's Environmental Laboratory Approval Program (ELAP)… criteria set forth in the DER's laboratory guidelines for PFAS in non-potable water and solids (Appendix H - Laboratory Guidelines for Analysis of PFAS in Non-Potable Water and Solids).	Deleted	5/31/2022
Analysis and Reporting, Page XX	As of October 2020, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) does not have a validated method for analysis of PFAS for media commonly analyzed under DER remedial programs (non-potable waters, solids). DER has developed the following guidelines to ensure consistency in analysis and reporting of PFAS.	Deleted	5/31/2022
Routine Analysis, Page XX	LC-MS/MS analysis for PFAS using methodologies based on EPA Method 537.1 is the procedure to use for environmental samples. Isotope dilution techniques should be utilized for the analysis of PFAS in all media.	EPA Method 1633 is the procedure to use for environmental samples.	
Soil Sample Results, Page XX	Soil cleanup objectives for PFOA and PFOS will be proposed in an upcoming revision to 6 NYCRR Part 375-6	Soil cleanup objectives for PFOA and PFOS have been proposed in an upcoming revision to 6 NYCRR Part 375-6	
Appendix A	"Include in the text… LC-MS/MS for PFAS using methodologies based on EPA Method 537.1"	"Include in the text ….EPA Method 1633"	
Appendix A	"Laboratory should have ELAP certification for PFOA and PFOS in drinking water by EPA Method 537, 537.1, EPA Method 533, or ISO 25101"	Deleted	
Appendix B	"Samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS using methodologies based on EPA Method 537.1"	"Samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS using EPA Method 1633"	

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Appendix C	"Samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS using methodologies based on EPA Method 537.1"	"Samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS using EPA Method 1633"	
Appendix D	"Samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS using methodologies based on EPA Method 537.1"	"Samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS using EPA Method 1633"	
Appendix G		Updated to include all forty PFAS analytes in EPA Method 533	
Appendix H		Deleted	
Appendix I	Appendix I	Appendix H	
Appendix H	"These guidelines are intended to be used for the validation of PFAS analytical results for projects within the Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) as well as aid in the preparation of a data usability summary report."	"These guidelines are intended to be used for the validation of PFAS using EPA Method 1633 for projects within the Division of Environmental Remediation (DER)."	
Appendix H	"The holding time is 14 days…"	"The holding time is 28 days…"	
Appendix H, Initial Calibration	"The initial calibration should contain a minimum of five standards for linear fit…"	"The initial calibration should contain a minimum of six standards for linear fit…"	
Appendix H, Initial Calibration	Linear fit calibration curves should have an R^2 value greater than 0.990.	Deleted	
Appendix H, Initial Calibration Verification	Initial Calibration Verification Section	Deleted	
Appendix H	secondary Ion Monitoring Section	Deleted	
Appendix H	Branched and Linear Isomers Section	Deleted	

Sampling, Analysis, and Assessment of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Under NYSDEC's Part 375 Remedial Programs

Objective

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) performs or oversees sampling of environmental media and subsequent analysis of PFAS as part of remedial programs implemented under 6 NYCRR Part 375. To ensure consistency in sampling, analysis, reporting, and assessment of PFAS, DER has developed this document which summarizes currently accepted procedures and updates previous DER technical guidance pertaining to PFAS.

Applicability

All work plans submitted to DEC pursuant to one of the remedial programs under Part 375 shall include PFAS sampling and analysis procedures that conform to the guidelines provided herein.

As part of a site investigation or remedial action compliance program, whenever samples of potentially affected media are collected and analyzed for the standard Target Analyte List/Target Compound List (TAL/TCL), PFAS analysis should also be performed. Potentially affected media can include soil, groundwater, surface water, and sediment. Based upon the potential for biota to be affected, biota sampling and analysis for PFAS may also be warranted as determined pursuant to a Fish and Wildlife Impact Analysis. Soil vapor sampling for PFAS is not required.

Field Sampling Procedures

DER-10 specifies technical guidance applicable to DER's remedial programs. Given the prevalence and use of PFAS, DER has developed "best management practices" specific to sampling for PFAS. As specified in DER-10 Chapter 2, quality assurance procedures are to be submitted with investigation work plans. Typically, these procedures are incorporated into a work plan, or submitted as a stand-alone document (e.g., a Quality Assurance Project Plan). Quality assurance guidelines for PFAS are listed in Appendix A - Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) Guidelines for PFAS.

Field sampling for PFAS performed under DER remedial programs should follow the appropriate procedures outlined for soils, sediments, or other solids (Appendix B), non-potable groundwater (Appendix C), surface water (Appendix D), public or private water supply wells (Appendix E), and fish tissue (Appendix F).

QA/QC samples (e.g. duplicates, MS/MSD) should be collected as specified in DER-10, Section 2.3(c). For sampling equipment coming in contact with aqueous samples only, rinsate or equipment blanks should be collected. Equipment blanks should be collected at a minimum frequency of one per day per site or one per twenty samples, whichever is more frequent.

Analysis and Reporting

The investigation work plan should describe analysis and reporting procedures, including laboratory analytical procedures for the methods discussed below. As specified in DER-10 Section 2.2, laboratories should provide a full Category B deliverable. In addition, a Data Usability Summary Report (DUSR) should be prepared by an independent, third-party data validator. Electronic data submissions should meet the requirements provided at: https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/62440.html.

DER has developed a *PFAS Analyte List* (Appendix G) for remedial programs to understand the nature of contamination at sites. It is expected that reported results for PFAS will include, at a minimum, all the compounds listed. If lab and/or matrix specific issues are encountered for any analytes, the DER project manager, in consultation with the DER chemist, will make case-by-case decisions as to whether certain analytes may be temporarily or permanently discontinued from analysis at each site. As with other contaminants that are analyzed for at a site, the *PFAS Analyte List* may be refined for future sampling events based on investigative findings.

Routine Analysis

EPA Method 1633 is the procedure to use for environmental samples. Reporting limits for PFOA and PFOS in aqueous samples should not exceed 2 ng/L. Reporting limits for PFOA and PFOS in solid samples should not exceed 0.5 µg/kg. Reporting limits for all other PFAS in aqueous and solid media should be as close to these limits as possible. If laboratories indicate that they are not able to achieve these reporting limits for the entire *PFAS Analyte List*, site-specific decisions regarding acceptance of elevated reporting limits for specific PFAS can be made by the DER project manager in consultation with the DER chemist. Data review guidelines were developed by DER to ensure data comparability and usability (Appendix H - Data Review Guidelines for Analysis of PFAS in Non-Potable Water and Solids).

Additional Analysis

Additional laboratory methods for analysis of PFAS may be warranted at a site, such as the Synthetic Precipitation Leaching Procedure (SPLP) and Total Oxidizable Precursor Assay (TOP Assay).

In cases where site-specific cleanup objectives for PFOA and PFOS are to be assessed, soil parameters, such as Total Organic Carbon (Lloyd Kahn), soil pH (EPA Method 9045), clay content (percent), and cation exchange capacity (EPA Method 9081), should be included in the analysis to help evaluate factors affecting the leachability of PFAS in site soils.

SPLP is a technique used to determine the mobility of chemicals in liquids, soils and wastes, and may be useful in determining the need for addressing PFAS-containing material as part of the remedy. SPLP by EPA Method 1312 should be used unless otherwise specified by the DER project manager in consultation with the DER chemist.

Impacted materials can be made up of PFAS that are not analyzable by routine analytical methodology. A TOP Assay can be utilized to conceptualize the amount and type of oxidizable PFAS which could be liberated in the environment, which approximates the maximum concentration of perfluoroalkyl substances that could be generated if all polyfluoroalkyl substances were oxidized. For example, some polyfluoroalkyl substances may degrade or transform to form perfluoroalkyl substances (such as PFOA or PFOS), resulting in an increase in perfluoroalkyl substance concentrations as contaminated groundwater moves away from a source. The TOP Assay converts, through oxidation, polyfluoroalkyl substances (precursors) into perfluoroalkyl substances that can be detected by routine analytical methodology.[1]

[1] TOP Assay analysis of highly contaminated samples, such as those from an AFFF (aqueous film-forming foam) site, can result in incomplete oxidation of the samples and an underestimation of the total perfluoroalkyl substances.

Commercial laboratories have adopted methods which allow for the quantification of targeted PFAS in air and biota. The EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD) is currently developing methods which allow for air emissions characterization of PFAS, including both targeted and non-targeted analysis of PFAS. Consult with the DER project manager and the DER chemist for assistance on analyzing biota/tissue and air samples.

Data Assessment and Application to Site Cleanup

Until such time as Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) for PFOA and PFOS are published, the extent of contaminated media potentially subject to remediation should be determined on a case-by-case basis using the procedures discussed below and the criteria in DER-10. Preliminary target levels for cleanup of PFOA and PFOS in other media, including biota and sediment, have not yet been established by the DEC.

Water Sample Results

NYSDEC has adopted ambient water quality guidance values for PFOA and PFOS. Groundwater samples should be compared to the human health criteria of 6.7 ng/l (ppt) for PFOA and 2.7 ng/l (ppt) for PFOS. These human health criteria should also be applied to surface water that is used as a water supply. This guidance also includes criteria for surface water for PFOS applicable for aquatic life, which may be applicable at some sites. Drinking water sample results should be compared to the NYS maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 10 ng/l (ppt). Analysis to determine if PFOA and PFOS concentrations are attributable to the site should include a comparison between upgradient and downgradient levels, and the presence of soil source areas, as defined below.

If PFOA and/or PFOS are identified as contaminants of concern for a site, they should be assessed as part of the remedy selection process in accordance with Part 375 and DER-10.

Soil Sample Results

NYSDEC will delay adding soil cleanup objectives for PFOA and PFOS to 6 NYCRR Part 375-6 until the PFAS rural soil background study has been completed. Until SCOs are in effect, the following are to be used as guidance values:

Guidance Values for Anticipated Site Use	PFOA (ppb)	PFOS (ppb)
Unrestricted	0.66	0.88
Residential	6.6	8.8
Restricted Residential	33	44
Commercial	500	440
Industrial	600	440
Protection of Groundwater[2]	0.8	1.0

PFOA and PFOS results for soil are to be compared against the guidance values listed above. These guidance values are to be used in determining whether PFOA and PFOS are contaminants of concern for the site and for determining remedial action objectives and cleanup requirements. Site-specific remedial objectives for protection of groundwater can also be presented for evaluation by DEC. Development of site-specific remedial objectives for protection of groundwater will require analysis of additional soil parameters relating to leachability. These

[2] The Protection of Groundwater values are based on the above referenced ambient groundwater guidance values. Details on that calculation are available in the following document, prepared for the February 2022 proposed changes to Part 375 (https://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/part375techsupport.pdf). The movement of PFAS in the environment is being aggressively researched at this time; that research will eventually result in more accurate models for the behaviors of these chemicals. In the meantime, DEC has calculated the guidance value for the protection of groundwater using the same procedure used for all other chemicals, as described in Section 7.7 of the Technical Support Document (http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/techsuppdoc.pdf).

additional analyses can include any or all the parameters listed above (soil pH, cation exchange capacity, etc.) and/or use of SPLP.

As the understanding of PFAS transport improves, DEC welcomes proposals for site-specific remedial objectives for protection of groundwater. DEC will expect that those may be dependent on additional factors including soil pH, aqueous pH, % organic carbon, % Sand/Silt/Clay, soil cations: K, Ca, Mg, Na, Fe, Al, cation exchange capacity, and anion exchange capacity. Site-specific remedial objectives should also consider the dilution attenuation factor (DAF). The NJDEP publication on DAF can be used as a reference: https://www.nj.gov/dep/srp/guidance/rs/daf.pdf.

Testing for Imported Soil

Testing for PFAS should be included any time a full TAL/TCL analyte list is required. Results for PFOA and PFOS should be compared to the applicable guidance values. If PFOA or PFOS is detected in any sample at or above the guidance values then the source of backfill should be rejected, unless a site-specific exemption is provided by DER based on SPLP testing, for example. If the concentrations of PFOA and PFOS in leachate are at or above the ambient water quality guidance values for groundwater, then the soil is not acceptable.

PFOA, PFOS and 1,4-dioxane are all considered semi-volatile compounds, so composite samples are appropriate for these compounds when sampling in accordance with DER-10, Table 5.4(e)10. Category B deliverables should be submitted for backfill samples, though a DUSR is not required.

Appendix A - Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) Guidelines for PFAS

The following guidelines (general and PFAS-specific) can be used to assist with the development of a QAPP for projects within DER involving sampling and analysis of PFAS.

General Guidelines in Accordance with DER-10

- Document/work plan section title – Quality Assurance Project Plan
- Summarize project scope, goals, and objectives
- Provide project organization including names and resumes of the project manager, Quality Assurance Officer (QAO), field staff, and Data Validator
    - The QAO should not have another position on the project, such as project or task manager, that involves project productivity or profitability as a job performance criterion
- List the ELAP certified lab(s) to be used for analysis of samples
- Include a site map showing sample locations
- Provide detailed sampling procedures for each matrix
- Include Data Quality Usability Objectives
- List equipment decontamination procedures
- Include an "Analytical Methods/Quality Assurance Summary Table" specifying:
    - Matrix type
    - Number or frequency of samples to be collected per matrix
    - Number of field and trip blanks per matrix
    - Analytical parameters to be measured per matrix
    - Analytical methods to be used per matrix with minimum reporting limits
    - Number and type of matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate samples to be collected
    - Number and type of duplicate samples to be collected
    - Sample preservation to be used per analytical method and sample matrix
    - Sample container volume and type to be used per analytical method and sample matrix
    - Sample holding time to be used per analytical method and sample matrix
- Specify Category B laboratory data deliverables and preparation of a DUSR

Specific Guidelines for PFAS

- Include in the text that sampling for PFAS will take place
- Include in the text that PFAS will be analyzed by EPA Method 1633
- Include the list of PFAS compounds to be analyzed (*PFAS Analyte List*)
- Include the laboratory SOP for PFAS analysis
- List the minimum method-achievable Reporting Limits for PFAS
    - Reporting Limits should be less than or equal to:
        - Aqueous – 2 ng/L (ppt)
        - Solids – 0.5 µg/kg (ppb)
- Include the laboratory Method Detection Limits for the PFAS compounds to be analyzed
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- Include detailed sampling procedures
    - Precautions to be taken
    - Pump and equipment types
    - Decontamination procedures
    - Approved materials only to be used
- Specify that regular ice only will be used for sample shipment
- Specify that equipment blanks should be collected at a minimum frequency of 1 per day per site for each matrix

Appendix B - Sampling Protocols for PFAS in Soils, Sediments and Solids

General

The objective of this protocol is to give general guidelines for the collection of soil, sediment and other solid samples for PFAS analysis. The sampling procedure used should be consistent with Sampling Guidelines and Protocols – Technological Background and Quality Control/Quality Assurance for NYS DEC Spill Response Program – March 1991 (http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/sgpsect5.pdf), with the following limitations.

Laboratory Analysis and Containers

Samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS using EPA Method 1633.

The preferred material for containers is high density polyethylene (HDPE). Pre-cleaned sample containers, coolers, sample labels, and a chain of custody form will be provided by the laboratory.

Equipment

Acceptable materials for sampling include stainless steel, HDPE, PVC, silicone, acetate, and polypropylene. Additional materials may be acceptable if pre-approved by New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Division of Environmental Remediation.

No sampling equipment components or sample containers should come in to contact with aluminum foil, low density polyethylene, glass, or polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE, Teflon™) materials including sample bottle cap liners with a PTFE layer.

A list of acceptable equipment is provided below, but other equipment may be considered appropriate based on sampling conditions.

- stainless steel spoon
- stainless steel bowl
- steel hand auger or shovel without any coatings

Equipment Decontamination

Standard two step decontamination using detergent (Alconox is acceptable) and clean, PFAS-free water will be performed for sampling equipment. All sources of water used for equipment decontamination should be verified in advance to be PFAS-free through laboratory analysis or certification.

Sampling Techniques

Sampling is often conducted in areas where a vegetative turf has been established. In these cases, a pre-cleaned trowel or shovel should be used to carefully remove the turf so that it may be replaced at the conclusion of sampling. Surface soil samples (e.g. 0 to 6 inches below surface) should then be collected using a pre-cleaned, stainless steel spoon. Shallow subsurface soil samples (e.g. 6 to ~36 inches below surface) may be collected by digging a hole using a pre-cleaned hand auger or shovel. When the desired subsurface depth is reached, a pre-cleaned hand auger or spoon shall be used to obtain the sample.

When the sample is obtained, it should be deposited into a stainless steel bowl for mixing prior to filling the sample containers. The soil should be placed directly into the bowl and mixed thoroughly by rolling the material into the middle until the material is homogenized. At this point the material within the bowl can be placed into the laboratory provided container.

Sample Identification and Logging

A label shall be attached to each sample container with a unique identification. Each sample shall be included on the chain of custody (COC).

Quality Assurance/Quality Control

- Immediately place samples in a cooler maintained at 4 ± 2º Celsius using ice
- Collect one field duplicate for every sample batch, minimum 1 duplicate per 20 samples. The duplicate shall consist of an additional sample at a given location
- Collect one matrix spike / matrix spike duplicate (MS/MSD) for every sample batch, minimum 1 MS/MSD per 20 samples. The MS/MSD shall consist of an additional two samples at a given location and identified on the COC
- Request appropriate data deliverable (Category B) and an electronic data deliverable

Documentation

A soil log or sample log shall document the location of the sample/borehole, depth of the sample, sampling equipment, duplicate sample, visual description of the material, and any other observations or notes determined to be appropriate. Additionally, care should be performed to limit contact with PFAS containing materials (e.g. waterproof field books, food packaging) during the sampling process.

Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)

For most sampling Level D PPE is anticipated to be appropriate. The sampler should wear nitrile gloves while conducting field work and handling sample containers.

Field staff shall consider the clothing to be worn during sampling activities. Clothing that contains PTFE material (including GORE-TEX®) or that have been waterproofed with PFAS materials should be avoided. All clothing worn by sampling personnel should have been laundered multiple times.

Appropriate rain gear (PVC, polyurethane, or rubber rain gear are acceptable), bug spray, and sunscreen should be used that does not contain PFAS. Well washed cotton coveralls may be used as an alternative to bug spray and/or sunscreen.

PPE that contains PFAS is acceptable when site conditions warrant additional protection for the samplers and no other materials can be used to be protective. Documentation of such use should be provided in the field notes.

Appendix C - Sampling Protocols for PFAS in Monitoring Wells

General

The objective of this protocol is to give general guidelines for the collection of groundwater samples for PFAS analysis. The sampling procedure used should be consistent with Sampling Guidelines and Protocols – Technological Background and Quality Control/Quality Assurance for NYS DEC Spill Response Program – March 1991 (http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/sgpsect5.pdf), with the following limitations.

Laboratory Analysis and Container

Samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS using EPA Method 1633.

The preferred material for containers is high density polyethylene (HDPE). Pre-cleaned sample containers, coolers, sample labels, and a chain of custody form will be provided by the laboratory.

Equipment

Acceptable materials for sampling include: stainless steel, HDPE, PVC, silicone, acetate, and polypropylene. Additional materials may be acceptable if pre-approved by New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Division of Environmental Remediation.

No sampling equipment components or sample containers should come in contact with aluminum foil, low density polyethylene, glass, or polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE, Teflon™) materials including plumbers tape and sample bottle cap liners with a PTFE layer.

A list of acceptable equipment is provided below, but other equipment may be considered appropriate based on sampling conditions.

- stainless steel inertia pump with HDPE tubing
- peristaltic pump equipped with HDPE tubing and silicone tubing
- stainless steel bailer with stainless steel ball
- bladder pump (identified as PFAS-free) with HDPE tubing

Equipment Decontamination

Standard two step decontamination using detergent (Alconox is acceptable) and clean, PFAS-free water will be performed for sampling equipment. All sources of water used for equipment decontamination should be verified in advance to be PFAS-free through laboratory analysis or certification.

Sampling Techniques

Monitoring wells should be purged in accordance with the sampling procedure (standard/volume purge or low flow purge) identified in the site work plan, which will determine the appropriate time to collect the sample. If sampling using standard purge techniques, additional purging may be needed to reduce turbidity levels, so samples contain a limited amount of sediment within the sample containers. Sample containers that contain sediment may cause issues at the laboratory, which may result in elevated reporting limits and other issues during the sample preparation that can compromise data usability. Sampling personnel should don new nitrile gloves prior to sample collection due to the potential to contact PFAS containing items (not related to the sampling equipment) during the purging activities.

Sample Identification and Logging

A label shall be attached to each sample container with a unique identification. Each sample shall be included on the chain of custody (COC).

Quality Assurance/Quality Control

- Immediately place samples in a cooler maintained at 4 ± 2º Celsius using ice
- Collect one field duplicate for every sample batch, minimum 1 duplicate per 20 samples. The duplicate shall consist of an additional sample at a given location
- Collect one matrix spike / matrix spike duplicate (MS/MSD) for every sample batch, minimum 1 MS/MSD per 20 samples. The MS/MSD shall consist of an additional two samples at a given location and identified on the COC
- Collect one equipment blank per day per site and minimum 1 equipment blank per 20 samples. The equipment blank shall test the new and decontaminated sampling equipment utilized to obtain a sample for residual PFAS contamination. This sample is obtained by using laboratory provided PFAS-free water and passing the water over or through the sampling device and into laboratory provided sample containers
- Additional equipment blank samples may be collected to assess other equipment that is utilized at the monitoring well
- Request appropriate data deliverable (Category B) and an electronic data deliverable

Documentation

A purge log shall document the location of the sample, sampling equipment, groundwater parameters, duplicate sample, visual description of the material, and any other observations or notes determined to be appropriate. Additionally, care should be performed to limit contact with PFAS containing materials (e.g. waterproof field books, food packaging) during the sampling process.

Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)

For most sampling Level D PPE is anticipated to be appropriate. The sampler should wear nitrile gloves while conducting field work and handling sample containers.

Field staff shall consider the clothing to be worn during sampling activities. Clothing that contains PTFE material (including GORE-TEX®) or that have been waterproofed with PFAS materials should be avoided. All clothing worn by sampling personnel should have been laundered multiple times.

Appropriate rain gear (PVC, polyurethane, or rubber rain gear are acceptable), bug spray, and sunscreen should be used that does not contain PFAS. Well washed cotton coveralls may be used as an alternative to bug spray and/or sunscreen.

PPE that contains PFAS is acceptable when site conditions warrant additional protection for the samplers and no other materials can be used to be protective. Documentation of such use should be provided in the field notes.

Appendix D - Sampling Protocols for PFAS in Surface Water

General

The objective of this protocol is to give general guidelines for the collection of surface water samples for PFAS analysis. The sampling procedure used should be consistent with Sampling Guidelines and Protocols – Technological Background and Quality Control/Quality Assurance for NYS DEC Spill Response Program – March 1991 (http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/sgpsect5.pdf), with the following limitations.

Laboratory Analysis and Container

Samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS using EPA Method 1633.

The preferred material for containers is high density polyethylene (HDPE). Pre-cleaned sample containers, coolers, sample labels, and a chain of custody form will be provided by the laboratory.

Equipment

Acceptable materials for sampling include: stainless steel, HDPE, PVC, silicone, acetate, and polypropylene. Additional materials may be acceptable if pre-approved by New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Division of Environmental Remediation.

No sampling equipment components or sample containers should come in contact with aluminum foil, low density polyethylene, glass, or polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE, Teflon™) materials including sample bottle cap liners with a PTFE layer.

A list of acceptable equipment is provided below, but other equipment may be considered appropriate based on sampling conditions.

- stainless steel cup

Equipment Decontamination

Standard two step decontamination using detergent (Alconox is acceptable) and clean, PFAS-free water will be performed for sampling equipment. All sources of water used for equipment decontamination should be verified in advance to be PFAS-free through laboratory analysis or certification.

Sampling Techniques

Where conditions permit, (e.g. creek or pond) sampling devices (e.g. stainless steel cup) should be rinsed with site medium to be sampled prior to collection of the sample. At this point the sample can be collected and poured into the sample container.

If site conditions permit, samples can be collected directly into the laboratory container.

Sample Identification and Logging

A label shall be attached to each sample container with a unique identification. Each sample shall be included on the chain of custody (COC).

Quality Assurance/Quality Control

- Immediately place samples in a cooler maintained at 4 ± 2º Celsius using ice
- Collect one field duplicate for every sample batch, minimum 1 duplicate per 20 samples. The duplicate shall consist of an additional sample at a given location
- Collect one matrix spike / matrix spike duplicate (MS/MSD) for every sample batch, minimum 1 MS/MSD per 20 samples. The MS/MSD shall consist of an additional two samples at a given location and identified on the COC
- Collect one equipment blank per day per site and minimum 1 equipment blank per 20 samples. The equipment blank shall test the new and decontaminated sampling equipment utilized to obtain a sample for residual PFAS contamination. This sample is obtained by using laboratory provided PFAS-free water and passing the water over or through the sampling device and into laboratory provided sample containers
- Request appropriate data deliverable (Category B) and an electronic data deliverable

Documentation

A sample log shall document the location of the sample, sampling equipment, duplicate sample, visual description of the material, and any other observations or notes determined to be appropriate. Additionally, care should be performed to limit contact with PFAS containing materials (e.g. waterproof field books, food packaging) during the sampling process.

Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)

For most sampling Level D PPE is anticipated to be appropriate. The sampler should wear nitrile gloves while conducting field work and handling sample containers.

Field staff shall consider the clothing to be worn during sampling activities. Clothing that contains PTFE material (including GORE-TEX®) or that have been waterproofed with PFAS materials should be avoided. All clothing worn by sampling personnel should have been laundered multiple times.

Appropriate rain gear (PVC, polyurethane, or rubber rain gear are acceptable), bug spray, and sunscreen should be used that does not contain PFAS. Well washed cotton coveralls may be used as an alternative to bug spray and/or sunscreen.

PPE that contains PFAS is acceptable when site conditions warrant additional protection for the samplers and no other materials can be used to be protective. Documentation of such use should be provided in the field notes.

Appendix E - Sampling Protocols for PFAS in Private Water Supply Wells

General

The objective of this protocol is to give general guidelines for the collection of water samples from private water supply wells (with a functioning pump) for PFAS analysis. The sampling procedure used should be consistent with Sampling Guidelines and Protocols – Technological Background and Quality Control/Quality Assurance for NYS DEC Spill Response Program – March 1991 (http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/sgpsect5.pdf), with the following limitations.

Laboratory Analysis and Container

Drinking water samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS by EPA Method 537, 537.1, 533, or ISO Method 25101. The preferred material for containers is high density polyethylene (HDPE). Pre-cleaned sample containers, coolers, sample labels, and a chain of custody form will be provided by the laboratory.

Equipment

Acceptable materials for sampling include stainless steel, HDPE, PVC, silicone, acetate, and polypropylene. Additional materials may be acceptable if pre-approved by New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Division of Environmental Remediation.

No sampling equipment components or sample containers should come in contact with aluminum foil, low density polyethylene, glass, or polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE, Teflon™) materials (e.g. plumbers tape), including sample bottle cap liners with a PTFE layer.

Equipment Decontamination

Standard two step decontamination using detergent (Alconox is acceptable) and clean, PFAS-free water will be performed for sampling equipment. All sources of water used for equipment decontamination should be verified in advance to be PFAS-free through laboratory analysis or certification.

Sampling Techniques

Locate and assess the pressure tank and determine if any filter units are present within the building. Establish the sample location as close to the well pump as possible, which is typically the spigot at the pressure tank. Ensure sampling equipment is kept clean during sampling as access to the pressure tank spigot, which is likely located close to the ground, may be obstructed and may hinder sample collection.

Prior to sampling, a faucet downstream of the pressure tank (e.g., washroom sink) should be run until the well pump comes on and a decrease in water temperature is noted which indicates that the water is coming from the well. If the homeowner is amenable, staff should run the water longer to purge the well (15+ minutes) to provide a sample representative of the water in the formation rather than standing water in the well and piping system including the pressure tank. At this point a new pair of nitrile gloves should be donned and the sample can be collected from the sample point at the pressure tank.

Sample Identification and Logging

A label shall be attached to each sample container with a unique identification. Each sample shall be included on the chain of custody (COC).

Quality Assurance/Quality Control

- Immediately place samples in a cooler maintained at 4 ± 2º Celsius using ice
- Collect one field duplicate for every sample batch, minimum 1 duplicate per 20 samples. The duplicate shall consist of an additional sample at a given location
- Collect one matrix spike / matrix spike duplicate (MS/MSD) for every sample batch, minimum 1 MS/MSD per 20 samples. The MS/MSD shall consist of an additional two samples at a given location and identified on the COC
- If equipment was used, collect one equipment blank per day per site and a minimum 1 equipment blank per 20 samples. The equipment blank shall test the new and decontaminated sampling equipment utilized to obtain a sample for residual PFAS contamination. This sample is obtained by using laboratory provided PFAS-free water and passing the water over or through the sampling device and into laboratory provided sample containers.
- A field reagent blank (FRB) should be collected at a rate of one per 20 samples. The lab will provide a FRB bottle containing PFAS free water and one empty FRB bottle. In the field, pour the water from the one bottle into the empty FRB bottle and label appropriately.
- Request appropriate data deliverable (Category B) and an electronic data deliverable
- For sampling events where multiple private wells (homes or sites) are to be sampled per day, it is acceptable to collect QC samples at a rate of one per 20 across multiple sites or days.

Documentation

A sample log shall document the location of the private well, sample point location, owner contact information, sampling equipment, purge duration, duplicate sample, visual description of the material, and any other observations or notes determined to be appropriate and available (e.g. well construction, pump type and location, yield, installation date). Additionally, care should be performed to limit contact with PFAS containing materials (e.g. waterproof field books, food packaging) during the sampling process.

Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)

For most sampling Level D PPE is anticipated to be appropriate. The sampler should wear nitrile gloves while conducting field work and handling sample containers.

Field staff shall consider the clothing to be worn during sampling activities. Clothing that contains PTFE material (including GORE-TEX®) or that have been waterproofed with PFAS materials should be avoided. All clothing worn by sampling personnel should have been laundered multiple times.

Appendix F - Sampling Protocols for PFAS in Fish

This appendix contains a copy of the current SOP developed by the Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) entitled "General Fish Handling Procedures for Contaminant Analysis" (Ver. 8). This SOP should be followed when collecting fish for contaminant analysis. Note, however, that the Bureau of Ecosystem Health will not be supplying bags or tags. All supplies are the responsibility of the collector

Procedure Name: General Fish Handling Procedures for Contaminant Analysis

Number: FW-005

Purpose: This procedure describes data collection, fish processing and delivery of fish collected for contaminant monitoring. It contains the chain of custody and collection record forms that should be used for the collections.

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Version: 8

Previous Version Date: 21 March 2018

Summary of Changes to this Version: Updated bureau name to Bureau of Ecosystem Health. Added direction to list the names of all field crew on the collection record. Minor formatting changes on chain of custody and collection records.

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Date: 26 April 2019

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NEW YORK STATE
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GENERAL FISH HANDLING PROCEDURES FOR CONTAMINANT ANALYSES

A. Original copies of all continuity of evidence (i.e., Chain of Custody) and collection record forms must accompany delivery of fish to the lab. A copy shall be directed to the Project Leader or as appropriate, Wayne Richter. All necessary forms will be supplied by the Bureau of Ecosystem Health. Because some samples may be used in legal cases, it is critical that each section is filled out completely. Each Chain of Custody form has three main sections:

   1. The top box is to be filled out **and signed** by the person responsible for the fish collection (e.g., crew leader, field biologist, researcher). This person is responsible for delivery of the samples to DEC facilities or personnel (e.g., regional office or biologist).

   2. The second section is to be filled out **and signed** by the person responsible for the collections while being stored at DEC, before delivery to the analytical lab. This may be the same person as in (1), but it is still required that they complete the section. Also important is the **range of identification numbers** (i.e., tag numbers) included in the sample batch.

   3. Finally, the bottom box is to record any transfers between DEC personnel and facilities. Each subsequent transfer should be **identified, signed, and dated**, until laboratory personnel take possession of the fish.

B. The following data are required on each **Fish Collection Record** form:

   1. Project and Site Name.

   2. DEC Region.

   3. All personnel (and affiliation) involved in the collection.

   4. Method of collection (gill net, hook and line, etc.)

   5. Preservation Method.

C. The following data are to be taken on each fish collected and recorded on the **Fish Collection Record** form:

   1. Tag number - Each specimen is to be individually jaw tagged at time of collection with a unique number. Make sure the tag is turned out so that the number can be read without opening the bag. Use tags in sequential order. For small fish or composite samples place the tag inside the bag with the samples. The Bureau of Ecosystem Health can supply the tags.

   2. Species identification (please be explicit enough to enable assigning genus and species). Group fish by species when processing.

   3. Date collected.

   4. Sample location (waterway and nearest prominent identifiable landmark).

   5. Total length (nearest mm or smallest sub-unit on measuring instrument) and weight (nearest g or

smallest sub-unit of weight on weighing instrument). Take all measures as soon as possible with calibrated, protected instruments (e.g. from wind and upsets) and prior to freezing.

6. Sex - fish may be cut enough to allow sexing or other internal investigation, but do not eviscerate. Make any incision on the right side of the belly flap or exactly down the midline so that a left-side fillet can be removed.

D. General data collection recommendations:

1. It is helpful to use an ID or tag number that will be unique. It is best to use metal striped bass or other uniquely numbered metal tags. If uniquely numbered tags are unavailable, values based on the region, water body and year are likely to be unique: for example, R7CAY11001 for Region 7, Cayuga Lake, 2011, fish 1. If the fish are just numbered 1 through 20, we have to give them new numbers for our database, making it more difficult to trace your fish to their analytical results and creating an additional possibility for errors.

2. Process and record fish of the same species sequentially. Recording mistakes are less likely when all fish from a species are processed together. Starting with the bigger fish species helps avoid missing an individual.

3. If using Bureau of Ecosystem Health supplied tags or other numbered tags, use tags in sequence so that fish are recorded with sequential Tag Numbers. This makes data entry and login at the lab and use of the data in the future easier and reduces keypunch errors.

4. Record length and weight as soon as possible after collection and before freezing. Other data are recorded in the field upon collection. An age determination of each fish is optional, but if done, it is recorded in the appropriate “Age” column.

5. For composite samples of small fish, record the number of fish in the composite in the Remarks column. Record the length and weight of each individual in a composite. All fish in a composite sample should be of the same species and members of a composite should be visually matched for size.

6. Please submit photocopies of topographic maps or good quality navigation charts indicating sampling locations. GPS coordinates can be entered in the Location column of the collection record form in addition to or instead for providing a map. These records are of immense help to us (and hopefully you) in providing documented location records which are not dependent on memory and/or the same collection crew. In addition, they may be helpful for contaminant source trackdown and remediation/control efforts of the Department.

7. When recording data on fish measurements, it will help to ensure correct data recording for the data recorder to call back the numbers to the person making the measurements.

E. Each fish is to be placed in its own individual plastic bag. For small fish to be analyzed as a composite, put all of the fish for one composite in the same bag but use a separate bag for each composite. It is important to individually bag the fish to avoid difficulties or cross contamination when processing the fish for chemical analysis. Be sure to include the fish’s tag number inside the bag, preferably attached to the fish with the tag number turned out so it can be read. Tie or otherwise secure the bag closed. **The Bureau of Ecosystem Health will supply the bags.** If necessary, food grade bags may be procured from a suitable vendor (e.g., grocery store). It is preferable to redundantly label each bag with a manila tag tied between the knot and the body of the bag. This tag should be labeled with the project name, collection location, tag number, collection date, and fish species. If scales are collected, the scale envelope should be labeled with

the same information.

F. Groups of fish, by species, are to be placed in one large plastic bag per sampling location. **The Bureau of Ecosystem Health will supply the larger bags.** Tie or otherwise secure the bag closed. Label the site bag with a manila tag tied between the knot and the body of the bag. The tag should contain: project, collection location, collection date, species and **tag number ranges**. Having this information on the manila tag enables lab staff to know what is in the bag without opening it.

G. Do not eviscerate, fillet or otherwise dissect the fish unless specifically asked to. If evisceration or dissection is specified, the fish must be cut along the exact midline or on the right side so that the left side fillet can be removed intact at the laboratory. If filleting is specified, the procedure for taking a standard fillet (SOP PREPLAB 4) must be followed, including removing scales.

H. Special procedures for PFAS: Unlike legacy contaminants such as PCBs, which are rarely found in day to day life, PFAS are widely used and frequently encountered. Practices that avoid sample contamination are therefore necessary. While no standard practices have been established for fish, procedures for water quality sampling can provide guidance. The following practices should be used for collections when fish are to be analyzed for PFAS:

No materials containing Teflon.
No Post-it notes.
No ice packs; only water ice or dry ice.
Any gloves worn must be powder free nitrile.
No Gore-Tex or similar materials (Gore-Tex is a PFC with PFOA used in its manufacture).
No stain repellent or waterproof treated clothing; these are likely to contain PFCs.
Avoid plastic materials, other than HDPE, including clipboards and waterproof notebooks.
Wash hands after handling any food containers or packages as these may contain PFCs.
Keep pre-wrapped food containers and wrappers isolated from fish handling.
Wear clothing washed at least six times since purchase.
Wear clothing washed without fabric softener.
Staff should avoid cosmetics, moisturizers, hand creams and similar products on the day of sampling as many of these products contain PFCs (Fujii et al. 2013). Sunscreen or insect repellent should not contain ingredients with “fluor” in their name. Apply any sunscreen or insect repellent well downwind from all materials. Hands must be washed after touching any of these products.

I. All fish must be kept at a temperature <45° F (<8° C) immediately following data processing. As soon as possible, freeze at -20° C ± 5° C. Due to occasional freezer failures, daily freezer temperature logs are required. The freezer should be locked or otherwise secured to maintain chain of custody.

J. In most cases, samples should be delivered to the Analytical Services Unit at the Hale Creek field station. Coordinate delivery with field station staff and send copies of the collection records, continuity of evidence forms and freezer temperature logs to the field station. For samples to be analyzed elsewhere, non-routine collections or other questions, contact Wayne Richter, Bureau of Ecosystem Health, NYSDEC, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233-4756, 518-402-8974, or the project leader about sample transfer. Samples will then be directed to the analytical facility and personnel noted on specific project descriptions.

K. A recommended equipment list is at the end of this document.

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DIVISION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
FISH COLLECTION RECORD

Project and Site Name _____ DEC Region _____

Collections made by (include all crew) _____

Sampling Method: □Electrofishing □Gill netting □Trap netting □Trawling □Seining □Angling □Other _____

Preservation Method: □Freezing □Other _____ Notes (SWFDB survey number): _____

FOR LAB USE ONLY- LAB ENTRY NO.	COLLECTION OR TAG NO.	SPECIES	DATE TAKEN	LOCATION	AGE	SEX &/OR REPROD. CONDIT	LENGTH ( )	WEIGHT ( )	REMARKS

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NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
CHAIN OF CUSTODY

I, _____, of _____ collected the
(Print Name) (Print Business Address)

following on _____, 20____ from _____
(Date) (Water Body)

in the vicinity of _____
(Landmark, Village, Road, etc.)

Town of _____, in _____ County.

Item(s) _____

_____

Said sample(s) were in my possession and handled according to standard procedures provided to me prior to collection. The sample(s) were placed in the custody of a representative of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation on _____, 20_____.

_____ _____
Signature Date

I, _____, received the above mentioned sample(s) on the date specified and assigned identification number(s) _____ to the sample(s). I have recorded pertinent data for the sample(s) on the attached collection records. The sample(s) remained in my custody until subsequently transferred, prepared or shipped at times and on dates as attested to below.

_____ _____
Signature Date

SECOND RECIPIENT (Print Name)	TIME & DATE	PURPOSE OF TRANSFER
SIGNATURE	UNIT	
THIRD RECIPIENT (Print Name)	TIME & DATE	PURPOSE OF TRANSFER
SIGNATURE	UNIT	
FOURTH RECIPIENT (Print Name)	TIME & DATE	PURPOSE OF TRANSFER
SIGNATURE	UNIT	
RECEIVED IN LABORATORY BY (Print Name)	TIME & DATE	REMARKS
SIGNATURE	UNIT	
LOGGED IN BY (Print Name)	TIME & DATE	ACCESSION NUMBERS
SIGNATURE	UNIT	

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NOTICE OF WARRANTY

By signature to the chain of custody (reverse), the signatory warrants that the information provided is truthful and accurate to the best of his/her ability. The signatory affirms that he/she is willing to testify to those facts provided and the circumstances surrounding the same. Nothing in this warranty or chain of custody negates responsibility nor liability of the signatories for the truthfulness and accuracy of the statements provided.

HANDLING INSTRUCTIONS

On day of collection, collector(s) name(s), address(es), date, geographic location of capture (attach a copy of topographic map or navigation chart), species, number kept of each species, and description of capture vicinity (proper noun, if possible) along with name of Town and County must be indicated on reverse.

Retain organisms in manila tagged plastic bags to avoid mixing capture locations. Note appropriate information on each bag tag.

Keep samples as cool as possible. Put on ice if fish cannot be frozen within 12 hours. If fish are held more than 24 hours without freezing, they will not be retained or analyzed.

Initial recipient (either DEC or designated agent) of samples from collector(s) is responsible for obtaining and recording information on the collection record forms which will accompany the chain of custody. This person will seal the container using packing tape and writing his signature, the time and the date across the tape onto the container with indelible marker. Any time a seal is broken, for whatever purpose, the incident must be recorded on the Chain of Custody (reason, time, and date) in the purpose of transfer block. Container then is resealed using new tape and rewriting signature, with time and date.

EQUIPMENT LIST

Scale or balance of appropriate capacity for the fish to be collected.

Fish measuring board.

Plastic bags of an appropriate size for the fish to be collected and for site bags.

Individually numbered metal tags for fish.

Manila tags to label bags.

Small envelops, approximately 2” x 3.5”, if fish scales are to be collected.

Knife for removing scales.

Chain of custody and fish collection forms.

Clipboard.

Pens or markers.

Paper towels.

Dish soap and brush.

Bucket.

Cooler.

Ice.

Duct tape.

Appendix G – PFAS Analyte List

Group	Chemical Name	Abbreviation	CAS Number
Perfluoroalkyl sulfonic acids	Perfluorobutanesulfonic acid	PFBS	375-73-5
	Perfluoropentanesulfonic acid	PFPeS	2706-91-4
	Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid	PFHxS	355-46-4
	Perfluoroheptanesulfonic acid	PFHpS	375-92-8
	Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid	PFOS	1763-23-1
	Perfluorononanesulfonic acid	PFNS	68259-12-1
	Perfluorodecanesulfonic acid	PFDS	335-77-3
	Perfluorododecanesulfonic acid	PFDoS	79780-39-5
Perfluoroalkyl carboxylic acids	Perfluorobutanoic acid	PFBA	375-22-4
	Perfluoropentanoic acid	PFPeA	2706-90-3
	Perfluorohexanoic acid	PFHxA	307-24-4
	Perfluoroheptanoic acid	PFHpA	375-85-9
	Perfluorooctanoic acid	PFOA	335-67-1
	Perfluorononanoic acid	PFNA	375-95-1
	Perfluorodecanoic acid	PFDA	335-76-2
	Perfluoroundecanoic acid	PFUnA	2058-94-8
	Perfluorododecanoic acid	PFDoA	307-55-1
	Perfluorotridecanoic acid	PFTrDA	72629-94-8
	Perfluorotetradecanoic acid	PFTeDA	376-06-7
Per- and Polyfluoroether carboxylic acids	Hexafluoropropylene oxide dimer acid	HFPO-DA	13252-13-6
	4,8-Dioxa-3H-perfluorononanoic acid	ADONA	919005-14-4
	Perfluoro-3-methoxypropanoic acid	PFMPA	377-73-1
	Perfluoro-4-methoxybutanoic acid	PFMBA	863090-89-5
	Nonafluoro-3,6-dioxaheptanoic acid	NFDHA	151772-58-6
Fluorotelomer sulfonic acids	4:2 Fluorotelomer sulfonic acid	4:2-FTS	757124-72-4
	6:2 Fluorotelomer sulfonic acid	6:2-FTS	27619-97-2
	8:2 Fluorotelomer sulfonic acid	8:2-FTS	39108-34-4
Fluorotelomer carboxylic acids	3:3 Fluorotelomer carboxylic acid	3:3 FTCA	356-02-5
	5:3 Fluorotelomer carboxylic acid	5:3 FTCA	914637-49-3
	7:3 Fluorotelomer carboxylic acid	7:3 FTCA	812-70-4
Perfluorooctane sulfonamides	Perfluorooctane sulfonamide	PFOSA	754-91-6
	N-methylperfluorooctane sulfonamide	NMeFOSA	31506-32-8
	N-ethylperfluorooctane sulfonamide	NEtFOSA	4151-50-2
Perfluorooctane sulfonamidoacetic acids	N-methylperfluorooctane sulfonamidoacetic acid	N-MeFOSAA	2355-31-9
	N-ethylperfluorooctane sulfonamidoacetic acid	N-EtFOSAA	2991-50-6
Perfluorooctane sulfonamide ethanols	N-methylperfluorooctane sulfonamidoethanol	MeFOSE	24448-09-7
	N-ethylperfluorooctane sulfonamidoethanol	EtFOSE	1691-99-2

Group	Chemical Name	Abbreviation	CAS Number
Ether sulfonic acids	9-Chlorohexadecafluoro-3-oxanonane-1-sulfonic acid (F-53B Major)	9Cl-PF3ONS	756426-58-1
	11-Chloroeicosafluoro-3-oxaundecane-1-sulfonic acid (F-53B Minor)	11Cl-PF3OUdS	763051-92-9
	Perfluoro(2-ethoxyethane) sulfonic acid	PFEESA	113507-82-7

Appendix H - Data Review Guidelines for Analysis of PFAS in Non-Potable Water and Solids

General

These guidelines are intended to be used for the validation of PFAS using EPA Method 1633 for projects within the Division of Environmental Remediation (DER). Data reviewers should understand the methodology and techniques utilized in the analysis. Consultation with the end user of the data may be necessary to assist in determining data usability based on the data quality objectives in the Quality Assurance Project Plan. A familiarity with the laboratory's Standard Operating Procedure may also be needed to fully evaluate the data. If you have any questions, please contact DER's Quality Assurance Officer, Dana Barbarossa, at dana.barbarossa@dec.ny.gov.

Preservation and Holding Time

Samples should be preserved with ice to a temperature of less than 6°C upon arrival at the lab. The holding time is 28 days to extraction for aqueous and solid samples. The time from extraction to analysis for aqueous samples is 28 days and 40 days for solids.

Temperature greatly exceeds 6ºC upon arrival at the lab*	Use professional judgement to qualify detects and non-detects as estimated or rejected
Holding time exceeding 28 days to extraction	Use professional judgement to qualify detects and non-detects as estimated or rejected if holding time is grossly exceeded

*Samples that are delivered to the lab immediately after sampling may not meet the thermal preservation guidelines. Samples are considered acceptable if they arrive on ice or an attempt to chill the samples is observed.

Initial Calibration

The initial calibration should contain a minimum of six standards for linear fit and six standards for a quadratic fit. The relative standard deviation (RSD) for a quadratic fit calibration should be less than 20%.

The low-level calibration standard should be within 50% - 150% of the true value, and the mid-level calibration standard within 70% - 130% of the true value.

%RSD >20%	J flag detects and UJ non detects

Continuing Calibration Verification

Continuing calibration verification (CCV) checks should be analyzed at a frequency of one per ten field samples. If CCV recovery is very low, where detection of the analyte could be in question, ensure a low level CCV was analyzed and use to determine data quality.

CCV recovery <70 or >130%	J flag results

Blanks

There should be no detections in the method blanks above the reporting limits. Equipment blanks, field blanks, rinse blanks etc. should be evaluated in the same manner as method blanks. Use the most contaminated blank to evaluate the sample results.

Blank Result	Sample Result	Qualification
Any detection	<Reporting limit	Qualify as ND at reporting limit
Any detection	>Reporting Limit and >10x the blank result	No qualification
>Reporting limit	>Reporting limit and <10x blank result	J+ biased high

Field Duplicates

A blind field duplicate should be collected at rate of one per twenty samples. The relative percent difference (RPD) should be less than 30% for analyte concentrations greater than two times the reporting limit. Use the higher result for final reporting.

RPD >30%	Apply J qualifier to parent sample

Lab Control Spike

Lab control spikes should be analyzed with each extraction batch or one for every twenty samples. In the absence of lab derived criteria, use 70% - 130% recovery criteria to evaluate the data.

Recovery <70% or >130% (lab derived criteria can also be used)	Apply J qualifier to detects and UJ qualifier to non detects

Matrix Spike/Matrix Spike Duplicate

One matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate should be collected at a rate of one per twenty samples. Use professional judgement to reject results based on out of control MS/MSD recoveries.

Recovery <70% or >130% (lab derived criteria can also be used)	Apply J qualifier to detects and UJ qualifier to non detects of parent sample only
RPD >30%	Apply J qualifier to detects and UJ qualifier to non detects of parent sample only

Extracted Internal Standards (Isotope Dilution Analytes)

Problematic analytes (e.g. PFBA, PFPeA, fluorotelomer sulfonates) can have wider recoveries without qualification. Qualify corresponding native compounds with a J flag if outside of the range.

Recovery <50% or >150%	Apply J qualifier
Recovery <25% or >150% for poor responding analytes	Apply J qualifier
Isotope Dilution Analyte (IDA) Recovery <10%	Reject results

Signal to Noise Ratio

The signal to noise ratio for the quantifier ion should be at least 3:1. If the ratio is less than 3:1, the peak is discernable from the baseline noise and symmetrical, the result can be reported. If the peak appears to be baseline noise and/or the shape is irregular, qualify the result as tentatively identified.

Reporting Limits

If project-specific reporting limits were not met, please indicate that in the report along with the reason (e.g. over dilution, dilution for non-target analytes, high sediment in aqueous samples).

Peak Integrations

Target analyte peaks should be integrated properly and consistently when compared to standards. Ensure branched isomer peaks are included for PFAS where standards are available. Inconsistencies should be brought to the attention of the laboratory or identified in the data review summary report.

APPENDIX B
HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN

260 NORTH AVENUE

NEW ROCHELLE, NEW YORK

Health and Safety Plan

AKRF Project Number: 251746

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This environmental Health and Safety Plan (HASP) has been developed for use during the implementation of Remedial Investigation (RI) activities conducted by all on-site personnel, both AKRF employees and others, at the 260 North Avenue site located at 260 North Avenue in New Rochelle, Westchester County, New York (the Site), also identified as Tax Parcel ID 1-229-0030. The Site is currently developed with a two-story masonry building with a full cellar in the northeast portion occupied by Citizens Bank and an asphalt-paved parking lot and a drive-thru ATM located west adjacent to the building. The subsurface investigation will include the drilling of soil borings, installation of groundwater monitoring wells and soil vapor points, and the collection of soil, groundwater, and soil vapor samples. This HASP does not discuss routine health and safety issues common to general construction/excavation, including but not limited to slips, trips, falls, shoring, and other physical hazards.

Available records have documented that the Site was previously developed with a carriage factory and an undertaker/morgue circa 1887-1911, a laundry circa 1896-1903, a condensed milk bottling factory circa 1911, a printing shop circa 1911-1931, and a hotel and general commercial/office space circa 1942-1951. The Site has been utilized as a bank and office/commercial space with a parking lot since at least 1990. Based on investigations conducted to date, identified contamination at the Site include elevated concentrations of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and metals in soil; metals in groundwater; and solvent-related and petroleum-related VOCs in soil vapor. This HASP identifies the hazards of concern, the specific chemicals associated with the Site-specific hazards, and measures to provide protection from exposure to the hazards during the investigation work.

All AKRF employees are directed that all work must be performed in accordance with the Company's Generic HASP and all United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)-applicable regulations for the work activities required for the project. All project personnel are furthermore directed that they are not permitted to enter Permit Required Confined Spaces (as defined by OSHA). For issues unrelated to contaminated materials, all non-AKRF employees are to be bound by all applicable OSHA regulations as well as any more stringent requirements specified by their employer in their corporate HASP or otherwise. AKRF is not responsible for providing oversight for issues unrelated to contaminated materials for non-employees. This oversight shall be the responsibility of the employer of that worker or other official designated by that employer.

2.0 HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

2.1 Hazard Evaluation

2.1.1 Hazards of Concern

Check all that apply		
(**X**) Organic Chemicals	(**X**) Inorganic Chemicals	( ) Radiological
( ) Biological	( ) Explosive/Flammable	( ) Oxygen Deficient Atm
(**X**) Heat Stress	(**X**) Cold Stress	( ) Carbon Monoxide
Comments: No personnel are permitted to enter permit confined spaces.		

2.1.2 Physical Characteristics

Check all that apply		
(**X**) Liquid	(**X**) Solid	( ) Sludge
(**X**) Vapors	( ) Unknown	( ) Other
Comments:		

2.1.3 Hazardous Materials

Check all that apply					
Chemicals	**Solids**	**Sludges**	**Solvents**	**Oils**	**Other**
( ) Acids	( ) Ash	( ) Paints	(**X**) Halogens	( ) Transformer	**(**) Lab
( ) Caustics	( ) Asbestos	( ) Metals	(**X**) Petroleum	( ) Other DF	( ) Pharm
( ) Pesticides	( ) Tailings	( ) POTW	( ) Other	( ) Motor or Hydraulic Oil	( ) Hospital
(**X**) Petroleum	(**X**) Other	( ) Other		( ) Gasoline	( ) Rad
( ) Inks	Historic fill material			( ) Fuel Oil	( ) MGP
( ) PCBs					( ) Mold
(**X**) Metals					( ) Cyanide
(**X**)Other: VOCs & SVOCs					

2.1.4 Chemicals of Concern

Chemical	REL/PEL/STEL	Health Hazards
Arsenic	REL C: 0.002 mg/m^3 PEL: 0.010 mg/m^3	Ulceration of nasal septum, dermatitis, gastrointestinal disturbances, peripheral neuropathy, resp irritation, hyperpigmentation of skin, [potential occupational carcinogen].
Barium	REL = 0.5 mg/m^3 PEL = 0.5 mg/m^3	Gastrointestinal problems; muscular weakness; vomiting; abdominal cramps; diarrhea; hypertension; potential carcinogen.
Benzene	REL: 0.1 ppm N STEL: 1 ppm PEL: 1 ppm O STEL: 5 ppm	Irritation eyes, skin, nose, respiratory system; dizziness; headache, nausea, staggered gait; anorexia, lassitude (weakness, exhaustion); dermatitis; bone marrow depression; [potential occupational carcinogen].
Beryllium	REL C: 0.0005 mg/m^3 PEL: 0.002 mg/m^3 PEL C: 0.005 mg/m^3; max peak: 0.025 mg/m^3	Berylliosis (chronic exposure): anorexia, weight loss, lassitude (weakness, exhaustion), chest pain, cough, clubbing of fingers, cyanosis, pulmonary insufficiency; irritation eyes; dermatitis; [potential occupational carcinogen].
Cadmium	PEL: 0.005 mg/m^3	Pulmonary edema, dyspnea (breathing difficulty), cough, chest tightness, substernal (occurring beneath the sternum) pain; headache; chills, muscle aches; nausea, vomiting, diarrhea; anosmia (loss of the sense of smell), emphysema, proteinuria, mild anemia; [potential occupational carcinogen].
Chloroform	N STEL: 2 ppm PEL C: 50 ppm	Irritation eyes, skin; dizziness, mental dullness, nausea, confusion; headache, lassitude (weakness, exhaustion); anesthesia; enlarged liver; [potential occupational carcinogen].
Chromium	REL: 0.5 mg/m^3 PEL: 1 mg/m^3	Irritation eyes, skin; lung fibrosis (histologic).
Copper	REL: 1 mg/m^3 PEL: 1 mg/m^3	Irritation eyes, nose, pharynx; nasal septum perforation; metallic taste; dermatitis; In Animals: lung, liver, kidney damage; anemia.
Ethylbenzene	REL: 100 ppm N STEL: 125 ppm PEL: 100 ppm	Irritation eyes, nose, respiratory system; headache, lassitude (weakness, exhaustion), dizziness, confusion, malaise (vague feeling of discomfort), drowsiness, unsteady gait; narcosis; defatting dermatitis; possible liver injury; reproductive effects.
Fuel Oils	REL: 100 mg/m^3	Irritation eyes, skin, nose, throat; burning sensation in chest; headache, nausea, lassitude (weakness, exhaustion), restlessness, incoordination, confusion, drowsiness; vomiting, diarrhea; dermatitis; chemical pneumonitis (aspiration liquid).
Lead	REL: 0.050 mg/m^3 PEL:0.050 mg/m^3	Lassitude (weakness, exhaustion), insomnia; facial pallor; anorexia, weight loss, malnutrition; constipation, abdominal pain, colic; anemia; gingival lead line; tremor; paralysis wrist, ankles; encephalopathy; kidney disease; irritation eyes; hypertension.
Manganese	REL: 1 mg/m^3 N STEL: 3 mg/m^3 PEL C: 5 mg/m^3	Manganism; asthenia, insomnia, mental confusion; metal fume fever: dry throat, cough, chest tightness, dyspnea (breathing difficulty), rales, flu-like fever; low-back pain; vomiting; malaise (vague feeling of discomfort); lassitude (weakness, exhaustion); kidney damage.
Mercury	REL: 0.05 mg/m^3 REL C: 0.1 mg/m^3 PEL: 0.1 mg/m^3	Irritation eyes, skin; cough, chest pain, dyspnea (breathing difficulty), bronchitis, pneumonitis; tremor, insomnia, irritability, indecision, headache, lassitude (weakness, exhaustion); stomatitis, salivation; gastrointestinal disturbance, anorexia, weight loss; proteinuria.
Nickel	REL: 0.015 mg/m^3 PEL: 1 mg/m^3	Sensitization dermatitis, allergic asthma, pneumonitis; [potential occupational carcinogen].

Chemical	REL/PEL/STEL	Health Hazards
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)	REL: 0.1 mg/m^3 PEL: 0.2 mg/m^3	Effects reported from occupational exposure to PAHs include chronic bronchitis, chronic cough irritation, bronchogenic cancer, dermatitis, cutaneous photosensitization, and pilosebaceous reactions. Reported health effects associated with chronic exposure to coal tar and its by-products (e.g., PAHs): Skin: erythema, burns, and warts on sun-exposed areas with progression to cancer. The toxic effects of coal tar are enhanced by exposure to ultraviolet light. Eyes: irritation and photosensitivity. Respiratory system: cough, bronchitis, and bronchogenic cancer. Gastrointestinal system: leukoplakia, buccal-pharyngeal cancer, and cancer of the lip. Hematopoietic system: leukemia (inconclusive) and lymphoma. Genitourinary system: hematuria and kidney and bladder cancers.
Silver	REL: 0.01 mg/m^3 PEL: 0.01 mg/m^3	Blue-gray eyes, nasal septum, throat, skin; irritation, ulceration skin; gastrointestinal disturbance.
Trichloroethylene	PEL: 100 ppm PEL C: 200 ppm; 5-min max peak: 300 ppm	Irritation eyes, skin; headache, visual disturbance, lassitude (weakness, exhaustion), dizziness, tremor, drowsiness, nausea, vomiting; dermatitis; cardiac arrhythmias, paresthesia; liver injury; [potential occupational carcinogen].
Tetrachloroethylene	PEL: 100 ppm PEL C: 200 ppm; max peak: 300 ppm	Irritation eyes, skin, nose, throat, respiratory system; nausea; flush face, neck; dizziness, incoordination; headache, drowsiness; skin erythema (skin redness); liver damage; [potential occupational carcinogen].
Thallium	REL: 0.1 mg/m^3 PEL: 0.1 mg/m^3	Nausea, diarrhea, abdominal pain, vomiting; ptosis, strabismus; peri neuritis, tremor; retrosternal (occurring behind the sternum) tightness, chest pain, pulmonary edema; convulsions, chorea, psychosis; liver, kidney damage; alopecia; paresthesia legs.
Toluene	REL: 100 ppm N STEL: 150 ppm PEL: 200 ppm PEL C: 300 ppm; 10-min max peak: 500 ppm	Irritation eyes, nose; lassitude (weakness, exhaustion), confusion, euphoria, dizziness, headache; dilated pupils, lacrimation (discharge of tears); anxiety, muscle fatigue, insomnia; paresthesia; dermatitis; liver, kidney damage.
Xylene	REL: 100 ppm N STEL: 150 ppm PEL: 100 ppm	Irritation eyes, skin, nose, throat; dizziness, excitement, drowsiness, incoordination, staggering gait; corneal vacuolization; anorexia, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain; dermatitis.
Zinc	REL: 5 mg/m^3 REL C: 15 mg/m^3 N STEL: 10 mg/m^3 PEL: 5 mg/m^3 (ZnO fume); 15 mg/m^3 (ZnO dust)	Chills, elevated body temperature, myalgia, cough, fatigue, chest pain, stomach cramps, nausea, anemia, changes in cholesterol levels, and vomiting.
Notes: REL: Recommended exposure limit (NIOSH) PEL: Permissable exposure limits (OSHA) STEL: Short-term exposure limit N: NIOSH O: OSHA C: Ceiling ppm = parts per million mg/m^3 = milligrams per cubic meter IDLH = Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health		

2.2 Designated Personnel

AKRF will appoint one of its on-site personnel as the Site Safety Officer (SSO). This individual will be responsible for the implementation of the HASP. The SSO will have a 4-year college degree in occupational safety or a related science/engineering field, and experience in implementation of

air monitoring and hazardous materials sampling programs. Health and safety training required for the SSO and all field personnel is outlined in Section 2.3 of this HASP.

2.3 Training

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

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

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

2.4 Medical Surveillance Program

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

2.5 Site Work Zones

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

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

Task	Exclusion Zone	CRZ	Support Zone
Soil Borings/Soil Vapor Points/ Monitoring Wells	10 feet from drilling equipment	25 feet from drilling equipment	As Needed
Comments: Control measures such as "caution tape" and/or traffic cones will be placed around the perimeter of the work area when work is being done in a public area.			

2.6 Air Monitoring

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

2.6.1 Volatile Organic Compounds

A photoionization detector (PID) will be used to perform air monitoring during soil disturbance activities to determine airborne levels of total volatile organic compounds (VOCs). The PID will be calibrated at the start of the workday with a 100 parts per million (ppm) isobutylene standard.

2.6.2 Work Zone Air Monitoring

Real time air monitoring will be performed with the PID and Dust Trak. Measurements will be taken prior to commencement of work and continuously during the work. Measurements will be made as close to the workers as practicable and at the breathing height of the workers. The SSO shall set up the equipment and confirm that it is working properly. His/her designee may oversee the air measurements during the day. The initial measurement for the day will be performed before the start of work and will establish the background level for that day. The final measurement for the day will be performed after the end of work. The action levels and required responses are listed in the following table.

Instrument	Action Level	Response Action
PID	Less than 20 ppm in breathing zone	Level D or D-Modified
	Between 20 ppm and 50 ppm	Level C
	More than 50 ppm	Stop work. Resume work when readings are less than 50 ppm. Re-access Site conditions and response actions if elevated PID readings remain.
Dust Trak	Less than 0.25 mg/m^3 above background in breathing zone	Level D or D-Modified
	Above 0.25 mg/m^3 but less than 1.2 mg/m^3 above background in breathing zone	Level C
	More than 1.25 mg/m^3 above background in breathing zone	Stop work. Resume work when readings are less than 1.25 mg/m^3.
mg/m^3 = milligrams per cubic meter ppm = parts per million		

2.6.3 Community Air Monitoring Plan

Community air monitoring will be conducted during all intrusive Site activities in compliance with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) site-specific Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP). Real-time air monitoring for VOCs at the perimeter of the Exclusion Zone will be performed as described below.

VOC Monitoring

Periodic monitoring for VOCs will be conducted during non-intrusive activities such as the collection of groundwater samples. Periodic monitoring may include obtaining measurements upon arrival at a location, while opening a monitoring well cap, when

bailing/purging a well, and upon leaving the location. In some instances, depending on the proximity of exposed individuals, continuous monitoring may be conducted during these activities.

Continuous monitoring for VOCs will be conducted during all ground intrusive activities (i.e., soil boring and monitoring well/soil gas point installation). VOC concentrations will be measured in the work zone and at each selected monitoring station at the start of each workday, and periodically thereafter, to establish background concentrations.

Exclusion Zone Monitoring

VOCs will be monitored continuously within the Exclusion Zone. Monitoring will be conducted with a PID equipped with a 10.6 electron volt (eV) lamp capable of calculating 15-minute running average concentrations. The following actions will be taken based on organic vapor levels measured:

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

More frequent intervals of monitoring will be conducted if required as determined by the SSO. All 15-minute readings will be recorded and available for New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and NYSDOH personnel to review. Instantaneous readings, if any, will also be recorded.

Fixed Air Monitoring Stations

Fixed monitoring stations will be included outside of the Exclusion Zone. The fixed monitoring stations will be fully enclosed and equipped with the following:

- A PID equipped with a 10.6 eV lamp capable of calculating 15-minute running average VOC concentrations;
- A TSI 8530 DustTrak II or equivalent dust monitor capable of measuring the concentration of airborne respirable particulates less than 10 micrometers in size (PM10) and calculating 15-minute running average particulate concentrations; and
- A Netronix™ Thiamus™ ICU-820 or equivalent Global System for Mobile Communication (GSM)/Global Positioning System (GPS) device capable of recording air monitoring and location data.

All air monitoring data recorded at the fixed monitoring stations will be available for NYSDOH and/or NYSDEC review and will be included in the Remedial Investigation Report (RIR).

If any organic levels greater than 1 ppm over background are identified at a fixed monitoring station, all work activities must be halted or vapor controls must be implemented.

If, following the cessation of the work activities, or as the result of an emergency, organic levels persist above 1 ppm above background at a monitoring station, then the following contingency measures will be implemented:

- If total organic vapor levels exceed 1 ppm above background for the 15-minute average at the monitoring station, work activities will be temporarily halted and monitoring continued. If levels readily decrease (per instantaneous readings) below 1 ppm above background, work activities will resume with continued monitoring.
- If total organic vapor levels at the perimeter of the Exclusion Zone persist at levels in excess of 1 ppm above background, work activities will be halted, the source of vapors identified, corrective actions taken to abate emissions, and monitoring continued. After these steps, work activities will resume provided that the total organic vapor level at the monitoring station is below 1 ppm above background for the 15-minute average.
- If the total organic vapor level remains above 1 ppm at the monitoring station, activities will be shut down, and the Major Vapor Emission Response Plan (described below) will be automatically implemented.

Major Vapor Emission Response Plan

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

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

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

2.7 Personal Protective Equipment

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

AKRF field personnel and other Site personnel shall wear, at a minimum, Level D PPE. The protection will be based on the air monitoring described in Section 2.6.

Level of Protection & PPE		Soil Boring/Water Sampling
Level D (**X**) Steel Toe Shoes (**X**) Hard Hat (within 25 ft of drill rig) (**X**) Work Gloves	(**X**) Safety Glasses ( ) Face Shield (**X**) Ear Plugs (within 25 ft of drill rig) (**X**) Nitrile Gloves (**X**) Tyvek for drill operator if NAPL present	Yes
Level C ***(in addition to Level D)*** (**X**) Half-Face Respirator OR (**X**) Full Face Respirator ( ) Full-Face PAPR	( ) Particulate Cartridge ( ) Organic Cartridge (**X**) Dual Organic/ Particulate Cartridge	If PID > 20 ppm (breathing zone)
Comments: Cartridges to be changed out at least once per shift unless warranted beforehand (e.g., more difficult to breathe or any odors detected).		

2.8 General Work Practices

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

- Eating, drinking, chewing gum or tobacco, and smoking are prohibited, except in designated areas on the Site. These areas will be designated by the SSO.
- Workers must wash their hands thoroughly upon leaving the work area and before eating, drinking, or any other such activity.
- Workers should shower as soon as possible after leaving the Site. Contact with contaminated or suspected surfaces should be avoided.
- The buddy system should always be used; each buddy should watch for signs of fatigue, exposure, and heat/cold stress.

3.0 EMERGENCY PROCEDURES AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

The field crew will be equipped with emergency equipment, such as a first aid kit and disposable eye washes. In the case of a medical emergency, the SSO will determine the nature of the emergency and he/she will have someone call for an ambulance, if needed. If the nature of the injury is not serious (i.e., the person can be moved without expert emergency medical personnel), he/she should be taken to a hospital by on-site personnel. Directions to the hospital are provided below, and a hospital route map is attached as Figure 1.

3.1 Hospital Directions

Hospital Name:	Montefiore New Rochelle Hospital
Phone Number:	(914) 378-7000
Address/Location:	16 Guion Place New Rochelle, NY 10801
Directions:	1. Exit the Site and turn LEFT on to *Huguenot Street* (490 feet) 2. Turn RIGHT onto *Memorial Highway* (0.1 mile) 3. Turn LEFT onto *Division Street* (220 feet) 4. Turn RIGHT onto *Union Ave* (0.1 mile) 5. Turn RIGHT onto *Badeau Place* (486 feet) 6. Continue onto *Glover Johnson Place* (177 feet). 7. Turn RIGHT into the Montefiore New Rochelle Hospital parking lot.

3.2 Emergency Contacts

Company	Individual Name	Title	Contact Number
AKRF	Rebecca Kinal	Remedial Engineer	914-922-2362 (office)
	Axel Schwendt	QA/QC Officer	646-388-9529 (office)
	Ashutosh Sharma	Project Manager	646-388-9865 (office)
	Claire Bearden	Alternate Project Manager	(646) 388-9762 (office)
	Brian Quinn	SSO	(201) 314-8032 (cell)
260 N LLC	Sam Kaller	Client Representative	(914) 629-9111 (office)
Ambulance, Fire Department & Police Department	-	-	911
NYSDEC Spill Hotline	-	-	800-457-7362

4.0 APPROVAL & ACKNOWLEDGMENTS OF HASP

APPROVAL

Signed: _____ Date: _____

AKRF Project Manager

Signed: _____ Date: _____

AKRF Health and Safety Officer

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

AFFIDAVIT

I,_____(name), of_____(company name), have read the Health and Safety Plan (HASP) for the 260 North Avenue Site. I agree to conduct all on-site work in accordance with the requirements set forth in this HASP and understand that failure to comply with this HASP could lead to my removal from the Site.

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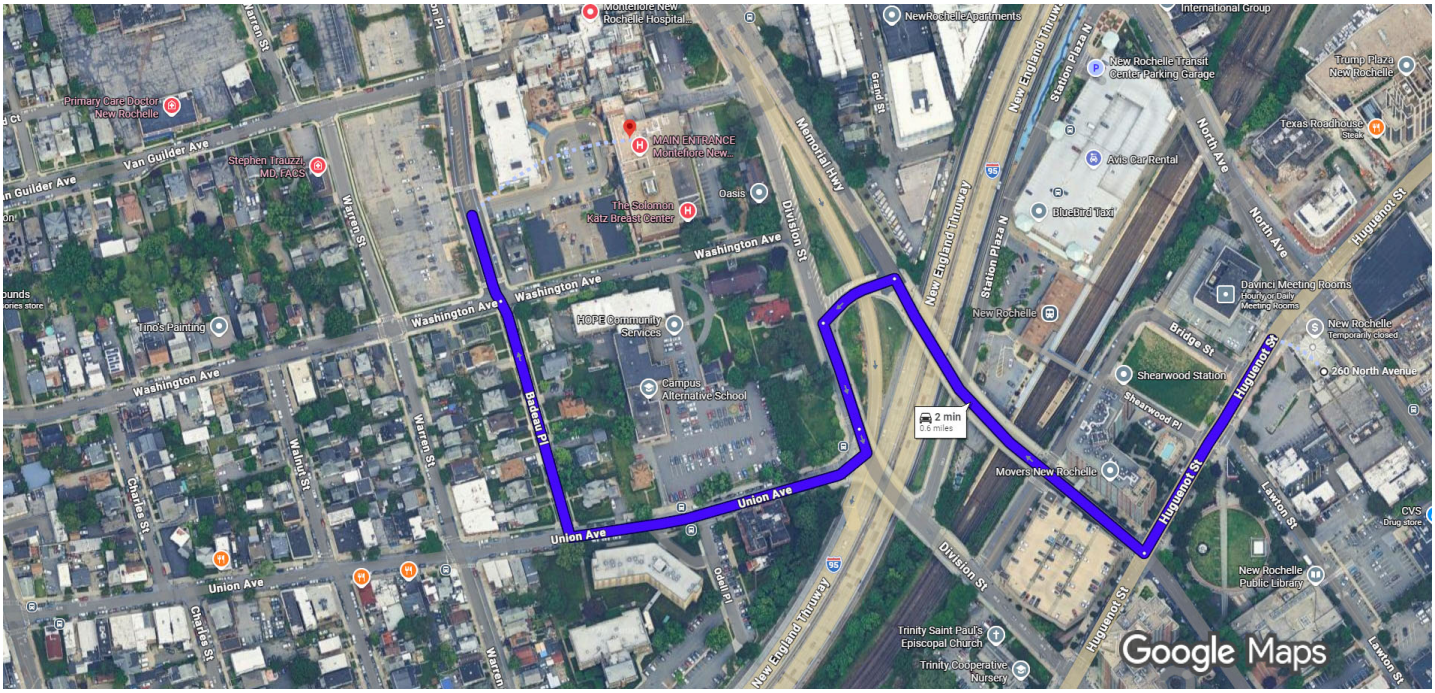
FIGURE 1
HOSPITAL ROUTE MAP

Google Maps

260 North Ave, New Rochelle, NY 10801 to Montefiore New Rochelle Hospital, 16 Guion Pl, New Rochelle, NY 10801

Drive 0.6 mile, 2 min



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260 North Ave
New Rochelle, NY 10801

1. Head toward Bridge St — 489 ft
2. Turn right onto Memorial Hwy — 0.1 mi
3. Turn left toward Division St — 171 ft
4. Turn left onto Division St — 220 ft
5. Turn right onto Union Ave — 0.1 mi
6. Turn right onto Badeau Pl — 486 ft
7. Continue onto Glover Johnson Pl — 177 ft

Montefiore New Rochelle Hospital
16 Guion Pl, New Rochelle, NY 10801

APPENDIX A
POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS FROM ON-SITE CONTAMINANTS

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ARSENIC
CAS # 7440-38-2

Division of Toxicology ToxFAQs™ December 2003

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

HIGHLIGHTS: Exposure to higher than average levels of arsenic occurs mostly in the workplace, near hazardous waste sites, or in areas with high natural levels. At high levels, inorganic arsenic can cause death. Exposure to lower levels for a long time can cause a discoloration of the skin and the appearance of small corns or warts. Arsenic has been found at 1,014 of the 1,598 National Priority List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is arsenic?

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

Inorganic arsenic compounds are mainly used to preserve wood. Organic arsenic compounds are used as pesticides, primarily on cotton plants.

What happens to arsenic when it enters the environment?

❑ Arsenic cannot be destroyed in the environment. It can only change its form.
❑ Arsenic in air will settle to the ground or is washed out of the air by rain.
❑ Many arsenic compounds can dissolve in water.
❑ Fish and shellfish can accumulate arsenic, but the arsenic in fish is mostly in a form that is not harmful.

How might I be exposed to arsenic?

❑ Eating food, drinking water, or breathing air containing arsenic.
❑ Breathing contaminated workplace air.
❑ Breathing sawdust or burning smoke from wood treated with arsenic.
❑ Living near uncontrolled hazardous waste sites containing arsenic.
❑ Living in areas with unusually high natural levels of arsenic in rock.

How can arsenic affect my health?

Breathing high levels of inorganic arsenic can give you a sore throat or irritated lungs. Ingesting high levels of inorganic arsenic can result in death. Lower levels of arsenic can cause nausea and vomiting, decreased production of red and white blood cells, abnormal heart rhythm, damage to blood vessels, and a sensation of "pins and needles" in hands and feet.

Ingesting or breathing low levels of inorganic arsenic for a long time can cause a darkening of the skin and the

appearance of small "corns" or "warts" on the palms, soles, and torso.

Skin contact with inorganic arsenic may cause redness and swelling.

Organic arsenic compounds are less toxic than inorganic arsenic compounds. Exposure to high levels of some organic arsenic compounds may cause similar effects as inorganic arsenic.

How likely is arsenic to cause cancer?

Several studies have shown that inorganic arsenic can increase the risk of lung cancer, skin cancer, bladder cancer, liver cancer, kidney cancer, and prostate cancer. The World Health Organization (WHO), the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), and the EPA have determined that inorganic arsenic is a human carcinogen.

How can arsenic affect children?

We do not know if exposure to arsenic will result in birth defects or other developmental effects in people. Birth defects have been observed in animals exposed to inorganic arsenic.

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

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to arsenic?

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

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

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

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

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

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration has set limits of 10 μg arsenic per cubic meter of workplace air (10 $\mu g/m^3$) for 8 hour shifts and 40 hour work weeks.

Source of Information

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR). 2000. Toxicological Profile for Arsenic. Atlanta, GA: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service.

Where can I get more information? For more information, contact the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Division of Toxicology, 1600 Clifton Road NE, Mailstop F-32, Atlanta, GA 30333. Phone: 1-888-422-8737, FAX: 770-488-4178. ToxFAQs™ Internet address is http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaq.html . ATSDR can tell you where to find occupational and environmental health clinics. Their specialists can recognize, evaluate, and treat illnesses resulting from exposure to hazardous substances. You can also contact your community or state health or environmental quality department if you have any more questions or concerns.

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BARIUM AND COMPOUNDS

CAS # 7440-39-3

Division of Toxicology and Environmental Medicine ToxFAQs™ **August 2007**

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

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

What is barium?

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

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

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

What happens to barium when it enters the environment?

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

How might I be exposed to barium?

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

How can barium affect my health?

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

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

How likely is barium to cause cancer?

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

How can barium affect children?

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

How can families reduce the risks of exposure to barium?

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

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

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

The geometric mean barium level measured in the U.S. general population aged 6 and older is reported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as 1.44 μg/g creatinine (measured in urine).

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

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

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set Permissible Exposure Limits (PELs) of 0.5 milligrams of soluble barium compounds per cubic meter of workplace air (0.5 mg/m^3) for 8 hour shifts and 40 hour work weeks. The OSHA limits for barium sulfate dust are 15 mg/m^3 of total dust and 5 mg/m^3 for respirable fraction.

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) has set Recommended Exposure Limits (RELs) of 0.5 mg/m^3 for soluble barium compounds. The NIOSH has set RELs of 10 mg/m^3 (total dust) for barium sulfate and 5 mg/m^3 (respirable fraction).

References

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

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BENZENE
CAS # 71-43-2

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

HIGHLIGHTS: Benzene is a widely used chemical formed from both natural processes and human activities. Breathing benzene can cause drowsiness, dizziness, and unconsciousness; long-term benzene exposure causes effects on the bone marrow and can cause anemia and leukemia. Benzene has been found in at least 813 of the 1,430 National Priorities List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is benzene?

(Pronounced bĕn′zēn′)

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

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

What happens to benzene when it enters the environment?

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

How might I be exposed to benzene?

- Outdoor air contains low levels of benzene from tobacco smoke, automobile service stations, exhaust from motor vehicles, and industrial emissions.
- Indoor air generally contains higher levels of benzene from products that contain it such as glues, paints, furniture wax, and detergents.
- Air around hazardous waste sites or gas stations will contain higher levels of benzene.
- Leakage from underground storage tanks or from hazardous waste sites containing benzene can result in benzene contamination of well water.
- People working in industries that make or use benzene may be exposed to the highest levels of it.
- A major source of benzene exposures is tobacco smoke.

How can benzene affect my health?

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

ToxFAQs Internet address via WWW is http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaq.html

The major effect of benzene from long-term (365 days or longer) exposure is on the blood. Benzene causes harmful effects on the bone marrow and can cause a decrease in red blood cells leading to anemia. It can also cause excessive bleeding and can affect the immune system, increasing the chance for infection.

Some women who breathed high levels of benzene for many months had irregular menstrual periods and a decrease in the size of their ovaries. It is not known whether benzene exposure affects the developing fetus in pregnant women or fertility in men.

Animal studies have shown low birth weights, delayed bone formation, and bone marrow damage when pregnant animals breathed benzene.

How likely is benzene to cause cancer?

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has determined that benzene is a known human carcinogen. Long-term exposure to high levels of benzene in the air can cause leukemia, cancer of the blood-forming organs.

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

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

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

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA has set the maximum permissible level of benzene in drinking water at 0.005 milligrams per liter (0.005 mgL). The EPA requires that spills or accidental releases into the environment of 10 pounds or more of benzene be reported to the EPA.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set a permissible exposure limit of 1 part of benzene per million parts of air (1 ppm) in the workplace during an 8-hour workday, 40-hour workweek.

Glossary

Anemia: A decreased ability of the blood to transport oxygen.

Carcinogen: A substance with the ability to cause cancer.

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service.

Chromosomes: Parts of the cells responsible for the development of hereditary characteristics.

Metabolites: Breakdown products of chemicals.

Milligram (mg): One thousandth of a gram.

Pesticide: A substance that kills pests.

References

This ToxFAQs information is taken from the 1997 Toxicological Profile for Benzene (update) produced by the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Public Health Service, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service in Atlanta, GA.

Where can I get more information? For more information, contact the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Division of Toxicology, 1600 Clifton Road NE, Mailstop E-29, Atlanta, GA 30333. Phone: 1-888-422-8737, FAX: 404-498-0093. ToxFAQs Internet address via WWW is http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaq.html ATSDR can tell you where to find occupational and environmental health clinics. Their specialists can recognize, evaluate, and treat illnesses resulting from exposure to hazardous substances. You can also contact your community or state health or environmental quality department if you have any more questions or concerns.

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BERYLLIUM

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

HIGHLIGHTS: People working or living near beryllium industries have the greatest potential for exposure to beryllium. Lung damage has been observed in people exposed to high levels of beryllium in the air. About 1-15% of all people occupationally-exposed to beryllium in air become sensitive to beryllium and may develop chronic beryllium disease (CBD), an irreversible and sometimes fatal scarring of the lungs. CBD may be completely asymptomatic or begin with coughing, chest pain, shortness of breath, weakness, and/or fatigue. Beryllium has been found in at least 535 of the 1,613 National Priorities List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is beryllium?

Beryllium is a hard, grayish metal naturally found in mineral rocks, coal, soil, and volcanic dust. Beryllium ore is mined, and the beryllium is purified for use in nuclear weapons and reactors, aircraft and space vehicle structures, instruments, x-ray machines, and mirrors. Beryllium oxide is used to make speciality ceramics for electrical and high-technology applications. Beryllium alloys are used in automobiles, computers, sports equipment (golf clubs), and dental bridges.

What happens to beryllium when it enters the environment?

❑ Beryllium dust enters the air from burning coal and oil. This beryllium dust will eventually settle over the land and water.
❑ It enters water from erosion of rocks and soil, and from industrial waste. Some beryllium compounds will dissolve in water, but most stick to particles and settle to the bottom.
❑ Most beryllium in soil does not dissolve in water and remains bound to soil.
❑ Beryllium does not accumulate in the food chain.

How might I be exposed to beryllium?

❑ The general population is normally exposed to low levels of beryllium in air, food, and water.
❑ People working in industries where beryllium is mined, processed, machined, or converted into metal, alloys, and other chemicals may be exposed to high levels of beryllium. People living near these industries may also be exposed to higher than normal levels of beryllium in air.
❑ People living near uncontrolled hazardous waste sites may be exposed to higher than normal levels of beryllium.

How can beryllium affect my health?

Beryllium can be harmful if you breathe it. The effects depend on how much you are exposed to, for how long, and individual susceptibility. If beryllium air levels are high enough (greater than 1000 ug/m^3), an acute condition can result. This condition resembles pneumonia and is called acute beryllium disease Occupational and community air standards are effective in preventing acute lung damage.

Some exposed workers (1-15%) become sensitive to beryllium. These individuals may develop an inflammatory reaction in the respiratory system. This condition is called chronic beryllium disease (CBD), and can occur years after exposure to higher than normal levels of beryllium (greater than 0.2 ug/m^3). This disease can make you feel weak and tired, and can cause difficulty in breathing. It can also result in anorexia, weight loss, and may also lead to right side heart

enlargement and heart disease in advanced cases. Some people who are sensitized to beryllium may not have any symptoms. The general population is unlikely to develop chronic beryllium disease because ambient air levels of beryllium are normally very low (0.00003-0.0002 ug/m^3).

Swallowing beryllium has not been reported to cause effects in humans because very little beryllium is absorbed from the stomach and intestines. Ulcers have been seen in dogs ingesting beryllium in the diet. Beryllium contact with skin that has been scraped or cut may cause rashes or ulcers.

How likely is beryllium to cause cancer?

Long term exposure to beryllium can increase the risk of developing lung cancer in people.

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) have determined that beryllium is a human carcinogen. The EPA has determined that beryllium is a probable human carcinogen. EPA has estimated that lifetime exposure to 0.04 ug/m^3 beryllium can result in a one in a thousand chance of developing cancer.

How can beryllium affect children?

It is likely that the health effects seen in children exposed to beryllium will be similar to the effects seen in adults. We do not know whether children differ from adults in their susceptibility to beryllium.

We do not know if exposure to beryllium will result in birth defects or other developmental effects in people. The studies on developmental effects in animals are not conclusive.

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to beryllium?

❑ Individuals working at facilities that use beryllium should make sure that contaminated clothing and objects are not brought home.

❑ Children should avoid playing in soils near uncontrolled hazardous waste sites where beryllium may have been discarded.

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

Beryllium can be measured in samples from your blood, urine, skin, or lungs. These tests are rarely done because they are not reliable measures of your exposure over time. Also, these tests do not show if you have become sensitized to beryllium.

Another test, the beryllium lymphocyte proliferation test (BeLPT), can help your doctor decide if you are sensitized to beryllium. This test is only done in a few specialized laboratories, but doctors familiar with the test can collect blood samples and send them for testing by overnight carrier. The BeLPT is most often done for people who work with beryllium. It is also useful for separating chronic beryllium disease from diagnoses that resemble it (for example, sarcoidosis). Depending on your exposure history, clinical findings, and test results, your doctor may also recommend additional specialized testing.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA restricts the amount of beryllium that industries may release into the air to 0.01 ug/m^3, averaged over a 30-day period.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) sets a limit of 2 ug/m^3 for an 8-hour work shift measured as a personal sample.

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Cadmium- ToxFAQs™

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

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

What is cadmium?

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

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

What happens to cadmium when it enters the environment?

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

How might I be exposed to cadmium?

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

How can cadmium affect my health?

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

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

How likely is cadmium to cause cancer?

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

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How can cadmium affect children?

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

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

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

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to cadmium?

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

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

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

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

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

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

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

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

The Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) has limited workers' exposure to an average of 5 $\mu g/m^3$ for an 8-hour workday, 40-hour workweek.

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Where can I get more information?

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Phone: 1-800-232-4636

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

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

What is chloroform?

(Pronounced klôr′ə-fôrm′)

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

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

Other names for chloroform are trichloromethane and methyl trichloride.

What happens to chloroform when it enters the environment?

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

How might I be exposed to chloroform?

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

How can chloroform affect my health?

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

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

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

How likely is chloroform to cause cancer?

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

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

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

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

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

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA drinking water limit for total trihalomethanes, a class of chemicals that includes chloroform, is 100 micrograms per liter of water (100 µg/L).

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

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

Glossary

Carcinogenicity: A substance with the ability to cause cancer.

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service.

Ingesting: Taking food or drink into your body.

Microgram (µg): One millionth of a gram.

Miscarriage: Pregnancy loss.

ppm: Parts per million.

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This ToxFAQs information is taken from the 1997 Toxicological Profile for Chloroform (update) produced by the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Public Health Service, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service in Atlanta, GA.

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CHROMIUM

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

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

What is chromium?

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

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

What happens to chromium when it enters the environment?

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

How might I be exposed to chromium?

❑ Eating food containing chromium(III).
❑ Breathing contaminated workplace air or skin contact during use in the workplace.
❑ Drinking contaminated well water.
❑ Living near uncontrolled hazardous waste sites containing chromium or industries that use chromium.

How can chromium affect my health?

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

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

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

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

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

How likely is chromium to cause cancer?

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), the International Agency for Reseach on Cancer (IARC), and the EPA have determined that chromium(VI) compounds are known human carcinogens. In workers, inhalation of chromium(VI) has been shown to cause lung cancer. Chromium(VI) also causes lung cancer in animals. An increase in stomach tumors was observed in humans and animals exposed to chromium(VI) in drinking water.

How can chromium affect children?

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

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

How can families reduce the risks of exposure to chromium?

❑ Children should avoid playing in soils near uncontrolled hazardous waste sites where chromium may have been discarded.

❑ Chromium is a component of tobacco smoke. Avoid smoking in enclosed spaces like inside the home or car in order to limit exposure to children and other family members.

❑ Although chromium(III) is an essential nutrient, you should avoid excessive use of dietary supplements containing chromium.

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

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

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

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

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

The FDA has determined that the chromium concentration in bottled drinking water should not exceed 1 mg/L.

The Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) has limited workers' exposure to an average of 0.0005 mg/m^3 chromium(VI), 0.5 mg/m^3 chromium(III), and 1.0 mg/m^3 chromium(0) for an 8-hour workday, 40-hour workweek.

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COPPER

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

HIGHLIGHTS: Copper is a reddish metal that occurs naturally in the environment. It also occurs naturally in plants and animals. Low levels of copper are essential for maintaining good health. High levels can cause harmful effects such as irritation of the nose, mouth and eyes, vomiting, diarrhea, stomach crumps, and nausea. Copper has been found in at least 884 of the 1,613 National Priorities List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is copper?

Copper is a reddish metal that occurs naturally in rocks, soil, water, and air. Copper also occurs naturally in plants and animals.

Metallic copper can be easily molded or shaped. Metallic copper can be found in the U.S. penny, electrical wiring, and some water pipes. Metallic copper is also found in mixtures (called alloys) with other metals such as brass and bronze. Copper is also found as part of other compounds forming salts. Copper salts occur naturally, but are also manufactured. The most common copper salt is copper sulfate. Most copper compounds are blue-green in color. Copper compounds are commonly used in agriculture to treat plant diseases like mildew, for water treatment and, as preservatives for wood, leather, and fabrics.

What happens to copper when it enters the environment?

❑ Copper can enter the environment from the mining of copper and other metals and from factories that make or use metallic copper or copper compounds.

❑ It can also enter the environment through domestic waste water, combustion of fossil fuels and wastes, wood production, phosphate fertilizer production, and natural sources (e.g., windblown dust from soils, volcanoes, decaying vegetation, forest fires, and sea spray).

❑ Copper in soil strongly attaches to organic material and minerals.

❑ Copper that dissolves in water becomes rapidly bound to particles suspended in the water.

❑ Copper does not typically enter groundwater.

❑ Copper carried by particles emitted from smelters and ore processing plants is carried back to the ground by gravity or in rain or snow.

❑ Copper does not break down in the environment.

How might I be exposed to copper?

❑ Breathing air, drinking water, eating food, and by skin contact with soil, water, or other copper-containing substances.

❑ Some copper in the environment can be taken up by plants and animals.

❑ Higher exposure may occur if your water is corrosive and you have copper plumbing and brass water fixtures. ❑ You may be exposed to higher amounts of copper if you drink water or swim in lakes or reservoirs recently treated with copper to control algae or receive cooling water from a power plant that may have high amounts of dissolved copper.

❑ Using some garden products (e.g., fungicides) to control plant diseases.

❑ Living near bronze and brass production facilities may expose you to higher copper levels in soil.

❑ You may breathe copper-containing dust or have skin contact if you work in the industry of mining copper or

processing the ore. You may breathe high levels if you grind or weld copper metal.

How can copper affect my health?

Copper is essential for good health, but high amounts can be harmful. Long-term exposure to copper dust can irritate your nose, mouth, and eyes, and cause headaches, dizziness, nausea, and diarrhea.

Drinking water with higher than normal levels of copper may cause vomiting, diarrhea, stomach cramps, and nausea. Intentionally high intakes of copper can cause liver and kidney damage and even death.

How likely is copper to cause cancer?

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

How can copper affect children?

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

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

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to copper?

❑ The greatest potential source of copper exposure is through drinking water, especially in water that is first drawn in the morning after sitting in copper pipes and brass faucets overnight.

❑ To reduce exposure, run the water for at least 15-30 seconds before using it.

❑ If you are exposed to copper at work, you may carry copper home on your skin, clothes, or tools. You can avoid this by showering, and changing clothing before leaving work, and your work clothes should be kept separate from other clothes and laundered separately.

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

Copper is normally found in all tissues of the body, blood, urine, feces, hair, and nails. High levels of copper in these samples can show that you have been exposed to higher than normal levels of copper. Tests to measure copper levels in the body are not routinely available at the doctor's office because they require special equipment. These tests cannot tell the extent of exposure or whether you will experience harmful effects.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA has determined that drinking water should not contain more than 1.3 milligrams of copper per liter of water (1.3 mg/L).

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set a limit of 0.1 mg per cubic meter (0.1 mg/m^3) of copper fumes (vapor generated from heating copper) and 1 mg/m^3 of copper dusts (fine metallic copper particles) and mists (aerosol of soluble copper) in workroom air during an 8-hour work shift, 40-hour workweek.

The Food and Nutrition Board of the Institute of Medicine recommends dietary allowances (RDAs) of 340 micrograms (340 µg) of copper per day for children aged 1-3 years, 440 µg/day for children aged 4-8 years, 700 µg/day for children aged 9-13 years, 890 µg/day for children aged 14-18 years, and 900 µg/day for adults.

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

HIGHLIGHTS: Ethylbenzene is a colorless liquid found in a number of products including gasoline and paints. Breathing very high levels can cause dizziness and throat and eye irritation. Ethylbenzene has been found in at least 731 of the 1,467 National Priorities List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is ethylbenzene?

(Pronounced ĕthʹ əl bĕnʹ zēnʹ)

Ethylbenzene is a colorless, flammable liquid that smells like gasoline. It is found in natural products such as coal tar and petroleum and is also found in manufactured products such as inks, insecticides, and paints.

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

What happens to ethylbenzene when it enters the environment?

- Ethylbenzene moves easily into the air from water and soil.
- It takes about 3 days for ethylbenzene to be broken down in air into other chemicals.
- Ethylbenzene may be released to water from industrial discharges or leaking underground storage tanks.
- In surface water, ethylbenzene breaks down by reacting with other chemicals found naturally in water.
- In soil, it is broken down by soil bacteria.

How might I be exposed to ethylbenzene?

- Breathing air containing ethylbenzene, particularly in areas near factories or highways.
- Drinking contaminated tap water.
- Working in an industry where ethylbenzene is used or made.
- Using products containing it, such as gasoline, carpet glues, varnishes, and paints.

How can ethylbenzene affect my health?

Limited information is available on the effects of ethylbenzene on people's health. The available information shows dizziness, throat and eye irritation, tightening of the chest, and a burning sensation in the eyes of people exposed to high levels of ethylbenzene in air.

Animals studies have shown effects on the nervous system, liver, kidneys, and eyes from breathing ethylbenzene in air.

How likely is ethylbenzene to cause cancer?

The EPA has determined that ethylbenzene is not classifiable as to human carcinogenicity.

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No studies in people have shown that ethylbenzene exposure can result in cancer. Two available animal studies suggest that ethylbenzene may cause tumors.

How can ethylbenzene affect children?

Children may be exposed to ethylbenzene through inhalation of consumer products, including gasoline, paints, inks, pesticides, and carpet glue. We do not know whether children are more sensitive to the effects of ethylbenzene than adults.

It is not known whether ethylbenzene can affect the development of the human fetus. Animal studies have shown that when pregnant animals were exposed to ethylbenzene in air, their babies had an increased number of birth defects.

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to ethylbenzene?

Exposure to ethylbenzene vapors from household products and newly installed carpeting can be minimized by using adequate ventilation.

Household chemicals should be stored out of reach of children to prevent accidental poisoning. Always store household chemicals in their original containers; never store them in containers children would find attractive to eat or drink from, such as old soda bottles. Gasoline should be stored in a gasoline can with a locked cap.

Sometimes older children sniff household chemicals, including ethylbenzene, in an attempt to get high. Talk with your children about the dangers of sniffing chemicals.

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

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

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

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA has set a maximum contaminant level of 0.7 milligrams of ethylbenzene per liter of drinking water (0.7 mg/L).

The EPA requires that spills or accidental releases into the environment of 1,000 pounds or more of ethylbenzene be reported to the EPA.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set an occupational exposure limit of 100 parts of ethylbenzene per million parts of air (100 ppm) for an 8-hour workday, 40-hour workweek.

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FUEL OILS

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

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

What are fuel oils?

(Pronounced fyo͞o′əl oilz)

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

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

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

What happens to fuel oils when they enter the environment?

- Some chemicals found in fuel oils may evaporate into the air from open containers or contaminated soil or water.
- Some chemicals found in fuel oils may dissolve in water after spills to surface waters or leaks from underground storage tanks.
- Some chemicals found in fuel oils may stick to particles in water, which will eventually cause them to settle to the bottom sediment.
- Some of the chemicals found in fuel oils may be broken down slowly in air, water, and soil by sunlight or small organisms.
- Some of the chemicals found in fuel oils may build up significantly in plants and animals.

How might I be exposed to fuel oils?

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

How can fuel oils affect my health?

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

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

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

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

How likely are fuel oils to cause cancer?

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

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

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

There is no medical test that shows if you have been exposed to fuel oils. Tests are available to determine if some of the chemicals commonly found in fuel oils are in your blood. However, the presence of these chemicals in blood may not necessarily mean that you have been exposed to fuel oils.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

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

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) recommends that average workplace air levels not exceed 350 milligrams of petroleum distillates per cubic meter of air (350 mg/m^3) for a 40-hour workweek.

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

Glossary

Carcinogenic: Able to cause cancer.

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service.

Evaporate: To change into a vapor or a gas.

Hydrocarbon: Any compound made up of hydrogen and carbon.

Milligram (mg): One thousandth of a gram.

ppm: Parts per million.

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

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LEAD

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

HIGHLIGHTS: Exposure to lead can happen from breathing workplace air or dust, eating contaminated foods, or drinking contaminated water. Children can be exposed from eating lead-based paint chips or playing in contaminated soil. Lead can damage the nervous system, kidneys, and reproductive system. Lead has been found in at least 1,272 of the 1,684 National Priority List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is lead?

Lead is a naturally occurring bluish-gray metal found in small amounts in the earth's crust. Lead can be found in all parts of our environment. Much of it comes from human activities including burning fossil fuels, mining, and manufacturing.

Lead has many different uses. It is used in the production of batteries, ammunition, metal products (solder and pipes), and devices to shield X-rays. Because of health concerns, lead from paints and ceramic products, caulking, and pipe solder has been dramatically reduced in recent years. The use of lead as an additive to gasoline was banned in 1996 in the United States.

What happens to lead when it enters the environment?

- ❏ Lead itself does not break down, but lead compounds are changed by sunlight, air, and water.
- ❏ When lead is released to the air, it may travel long distances before settling to the ground.
- ❏ Once lead falls onto soil, it usually sticks to soil particles.
- ❏ Movement of lead from soil into groundwater will depend on the type of lead compound and the characteristics of the soil.

How might I be exposed to lead?

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

How can lead affect my health?

The effects of lead are the same whether it enters the body through breathing or swallowing. Lead can affect almost every organ and system in your body. The main target for lead toxicity is the nervous system, both in adults and children. Long-term exposure of adults can result in decreased performance in some tests that measure functions of the nervous system. It may also cause weakness in fingers, wrists, or ankles. Lead exposure also causes small increases in blood pressure, particularly in middle-aged and older people and can cause anemia. Exposure to high lead levels can severely damage the brain and kidneys in adults or children and ultimately cause death. In pregnant women, high levels of exposure to lead may cause miscarriage. High-level exposure in men can damage the organs responsible for sperm production.

How likely is lead to cause cancer?

We have no conclusive proof that lead causes cancer in humans. Kidney tumors have developed in rats and mice that had been given large doses of some kind of lead compounds. The Department of Health and Human Services

(DHHS) has determined that lead and lead compounds are reasonably anticipated to be human carcinogens and the EPA has determined that lead is a probable human carcinogen. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has determined that inorganic lead is probably carcinogenic to humans and that there is insufficient information to determine whether organic lead compounds will cause cancer in humans.

How can lead affect children?

Small children can be exposed by eating lead-based paint chips, chewing on objects painted with lead-based paint, or swallowing house dust or soil that contains lead.

Children are more vulnerable to lead poisoning than adults. A child who swallows large amounts of lead may develop blood anemia, severe stomachache, muscle weakness, and brain damage. If a child swallows smaller amounts of lead, much less severe effects on blood and brain function may occur. Even at much lower levels of exposure, lead can affect a child's mental and physical growth.

Exposure to lead is more dangerous for young and unborn children. Unborn children can be exposed to lead through their mothers. Harmful effects include premature births, smaller babies, decreased mental ability in the infant, learning difficulties, and reduced growth in young children. These effects are more common if the mother or baby was exposed to high levels of lead. Some of these effects may persist beyond childhood.

How can families reduce the risks of exposure to lead?

❑ Avoid exposure to sources of lead.

❑ Do not allow children to chew or mouth surfaces that may have been painted with lead-based paint.

❑ If you have a water lead problem, run or flush water that has been standing overnight before drinking or cooking with it.

❑ Some types of paints and pigments that are used as make-up or hair coloring contain lead. Keep these kinds of products away from children

❑ If your home contains lead-based paint or you live in an area contaminated with lead, wash children's hands and faces often to remove lead dusts and soil, and regularly clean the house of dust and tracked in soil.

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

A blood test is available to measure the amount of lead in your blood and to estimate the amount of your recent exposure to lead. Blood tests are commonly used to screen children for lead poisoning. Lead in teeth or bones can be measured by X-ray techniques, but these methods are not widely available. Exposure to lead also can be evaluated by measuring erythrocyte protoporphyrin (EP) in blood samples. EP is a part of red blood cells known to increase when the amount of lead in the blood is high. However, the EP level is not sensitive enough to identify children with elevated blood lead levels below about 25 micrograms per deciliter (μg/dL). These tests usually require special analytical equipment that is not available in a doctor's office. However, your doctor can draw blood samples and send them to appropriate laboratories for analysis.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that states test children at ages 1 and 2 years. Children should be tested at ages 3–6 years if they have never been tested for lead, if they receive services from public assistance programs for the poor such as Medicaid or the Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children, if they live in a building or frequently visit a house built before 1950; if they visit a home (house or apartment) built before 1978 that has been recently remodeled; and/or if they have a brother, sister, or playmate who has had lead poisoning. CDC considers a blood lead level of 10 μg/dL to be a level of concern for children.

EPA limits lead in drinking water to 15 μg per liter.

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MANGANESE

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

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

What is manganese?

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

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

What happens to manganese when it enters the environment?

❑ Manganese can be released to the air, soil, and water from the manufacture, use, and disposal of manganese-based products.

❑ Manganese cannot break down in the environment. It can only change its form or become attached to or separated from particles.

❑ In water, manganese tends to attach to particles in the water or settle into the sediment.

❑ The chemical state of manganese and the type of soil determine how fast it moves through the soil and how much is retained in the soil.

❑ The manganese-containing gasoline additive may degrade in the environment quickly when exposed to sunlight, releasing manganese.

How might I be exposed to manganese?

❑ The primary way you can be exposed to manganese is by eating food or manganese-containing nutritional supplements. Vegetarians who consume foods rich in manganese such as grains, beans and nuts, as well as heavy tea drinkers, may have a higher intake of manganese than the average person.

❑ Certain occupations like welding or working in a factory where steel is made may increase your chances of being exposed to high levels of manganese.

❑ Manganese is routinely contained in groundwater, drinking water, and soil at low levels. Drinking water containing manganese or swimming or bathing in water containing manganese may expose you to low levels of this chemical.

How can manganese affect my health?

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

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

some workers exposed to lower concentrations in the work place.

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

How likely is manganese to cause cancer?

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

How can manganese affect children?

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

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

How can families reduce the risks of exposure to manganese?

❏ Children are not likely to be exposed to harmful amounts of manganese in the diet. However, higher-than-usual amounts of manganese may be absorbed if their diet is low in iron. It is important to provide your child with a well-balanced diet.

❏ Workers exposed to high levels of airborne manganese in certain occupational settings may accumulate manganese dust on their work clothes. Manganese-contaminated work clothing should be removed before getting into your car or entering your home to help reduce the exposure hazard for yourself and your family.

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

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

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

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

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

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

The FDA has determined that the manganese concentration in bottled drinking water should not exceed 0.05 mg/L.

The Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) has established a ceiling limit (concentration that should not be exceeded at any time during exposure) of 5 mg/m^3 for manganese in workplace air.

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

What is mercury?

(Pronounced mŭr′kyə-rē)

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

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

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

What happens to mercury when it enters the environment?

- Inorganic mercury (metallic mercury and inorganic mercury compounds) enters the air from mining ore deposits, burning coal and waste, and from manufacturing plants.
- It enters the water or soil from natural deposits, disposal of wastes, and volcanic activity.
- Methylmercury may be formed in water and soil by small organisms called bacteria.
- Methylmercury builds up in the tissues of fish. Larger and older fish tend to have the highest levels of mercury.

How might I be exposed to mercury?

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

How can mercury affect my health?

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

Short-term exposure to high levels of metallic mercury vapors may cause effects including lung damage, nausea,

vomiting, diarrhea, increases in blood pressure or heart rate, skin rashes, and eye irritation.

How likely is mercury to cause cancer?

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

How can mercury affect children?

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

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

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to mercury?

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

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

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

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

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

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

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

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

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

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

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NICKEL

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

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

What is nickel?

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

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

What happens to nickel when it enters the environment?

❏ Nickel is released into the atmosphere by industries that make or use nickel, nickel alloys, or nickel compounds. It is also released into the atmosphere by oil-burning power plants, coal-burning power plants, and trash incinerators.

❏ In the air, it attaches to small particles of dust that settle to the ground or are taken out of the air in rain or snow; this usually takes many days.

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

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

How might I be exposed to nickel?

❏ By eating food containing nickel, which is the major source of exposure for most people.

❏ By skin contact with soil, bath or shower water, or metals containing nickel, as well as by handling coins or touching jewelry containing nickel.

❏ By drinking water that contains small amounts of nickel.

❏ By breathing air or smoking tobacco containing nickel.

❏ Higher exposure may occur if you work in industries that process or use nickel.

How can nickel affect my health?

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

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

People working in nickel refineries or nickel-processing plants have experienced chronic bronchitis and reduced lung function. These persons breathed amounts of nickel much higher than levels found normally in the environment.

Workers who drank water containing high amounts of nickel had stomach ache and suffered adverse effects to their blood and kidneys.

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

How likely is nickel to cause cancer?

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

How can nickel affect children?

It is likely that the health effects seen in children exposed to nickel will be similar to those seen in adults. We do not know whether children differ from adults in their susceptibility to nickel. Human studies that examined whether nickel can harm the fetus are inconclusive. Animal studies have found increases in newborn deaths and decreased newborn weight after ingesting very high amounts of nickel. Nickel can be transferred from the mother to an infant in breast milk and can cross the placenta.

How can families reduce the risks of exposure to nickel?

❑ Avoiding jewelry containing nickel will eliminate risks of exposure to this source of the metal.

❑ Exposures of the general population from other sources, such as foods and drinking water, are almost always too low to be of concern.

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

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

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA recommends that drinking water should contain no more than 0.1 milligrams of nickel per liter of water (0.1 mg/L). To protect workers, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set a limit of 1 mg of nickel per cubic meter of air (1 mg/m^3) for metallic nickel and nickel compounds in workplace air during an 8-hour workday, 40-hour workweek.

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POLYCYCLIC AROMATIC HYDROCARBONS (PAHs)

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

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

What are polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons?

(Pronounced pŏl′ĭ-sī′klĭk ăr′ə-măt′ĭk hī′drə-kar′bənz)

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

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

What happens to PAHs when they enter the environment?

- PAHs enter the air mostly as releases from volcanoes, forest fires, burning coal, and automobile exhaust.
- PAHs can occur in air attached to dust particles.
- Some PAH particles can readily evaporate into the air from soil or surface waters.
- PAHs can break down by reacting with sunlight and other chemicals in the air, over a period of days to weeks.
- PAHs enter water through discharges from industrial and wastewater treatment plants.
- Most PAHs do not dissolve easily in water. They stick to solid particles and settle to the bottoms of lakes or rivers.
- Microorganisms can break down PAHs in soil or water after a period of weeks to months.
- In soils, PAHs are most likely to stick tightly to particles; certain PAHs move through soil to contaminate underground water.
- PAH contents of plants and animals may be much higher than PAH contents of soil or water in which they live.

How might I be exposed to PAHs?

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

- Nursing infants of mothers living near hazardous waste sites may be exposed to PAHs through their mother's milk.

How can PAHs affect my health?

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

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

How likely are PAHs to cause cancer?

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

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

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

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

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

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

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

Glossary

Carcinogen: A substance that can cause cancer.

Ingest: Take food or drink into your body.

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SILVER
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HIGHLIGHTS: Silver is an element found naturally in the environment. At very high levels, it may cause argyria, a blue-gray discoloration of the skin and other organs. This chemical has been found in at least 27 of the 1,177 National Priorities List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is silver?

(Pronounced sĭl′vər)

Silver is a naturally occurring element. It is found in the environment combined with other elements such as sulfide, chloride, and nitrate. Pure silver is "silver" colored, but silver nitrate and silver chloride are powdery white and silver sulfide and silver oxide are dark-gray to black. Silver is often found as a by-product during the retrieval of copper, lead, zinc, and gold ores.

Silver is used to make jewelry, silverware, electronic equipment, and dental fillings. It is also used to make photographs, in brazing alloys and solders, to disinfect drinking water and water in swimming pools, and as an antibacterial agent. Silver has also been used in lozenges and chewing gum to help people stop smoking.

What happens to silver when is enters the environment?

- Silver may be released into the air and water through natural processes such as the weathering of rocks.
- Human activities such as the processing of ores, cement manufacture, and the burning of fossil fuel may release silver into the air.
- It may be released into water from photographic processing.
- Rain may wash silver out of soil into the groundwater.
- Silver does not appear to concentrate to a significant extent in aquatic animals.

How might I be exposed to silver?

- Breathing low levels in air.
- Swallowing it in food or drinking water.
- Carrying out activities such as jewelry-making, soldering, and photography.
- Using anti-smoking lozenges or other medicines containing it.

How can silver affect my health?

Exposure to high levels of silver for a long period of time may result in a condition called arygria, a blue-gray discoloration of the skin and other body tissues. Lower-level exposures to silver may also cause silver to be deposited in the skin and other parts of the body; however, this is not known to be harmful. Argyria is a permanent effect, but it appears to be a cosmetic problem that may not be otherwise harmful to health.

Exposure to high levels of silver in the air has resulted in breathing problems, lung and throat irritation, and stomach pains. Skin contact with silver can cause mild allergic reactions such as rash, swelling, and inflammation in some people.

Animal studies have shown that swallowing silver results in the deposit of silver in the skin. One study in mice found that the animals exposed to silver in drinking water were less active than unexposed animals.

No studies are available on whether silver affects reproduction or causes developmental problems in people.

How likely is silver to cause cancer?

No studies are available on whether silver may cause cancer in people. The only available animal studies showed both positive and negative results when silver was implanted under the skin.

The EPA has determined that silver is not classifiable as to human carcinogenicity.

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

Silver can be measured in the blood, urine, feces, and body tissues of exposed people. Silver builds up in the body, and the best way to learn if past exposure has occurred is to look for silver in samples of skin. Tests for silver are not commonly done at a doctor's office because they require special equipment. Although doctors can find out if a person has been exposed to silver by doing these tests, they cannot tell whether any health effects will occur.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA recommends that the concentration of silver in drinking water not exceed 0.10 milligrams per liter of water (0.10 mg/L) because of the skin discoloration that may occur.

The EPA requires that spills or accidental releases of 1,000 pounds or more of silver be reported to the EPA.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) limits silver in workplace air to 0.01 milligrams per cubic meter (0.01 mg/m^3) for an 8-hour workday, 40-hour workweek. The National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) also recommends that workplace air contain no more that 0.01 mg/m^3 silver.

The American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) recommends that workplace air contain no more than 0.1 mg/m^3 silver metal and 0.01 mg/m^3 soluble silver compounds.

The federal recommendations have been updated as of July 1999.

Glossary

Carcinogenicity: Ability to cause cancer.

CAS: Chemcial Abstracts Service.

Milligram (mg): One thousandth of a gram.

National Priorities List: A list of the nation's worst hazardous waste sites.

Soluble: Capable of being dissolved in water.

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

SUMMARY: Exposure to thallium occurs mainly from eating food. Exposure to higher levels of thallium may occur in the workplace. Breathing high levels of thallium may result in effects on the nervous system, while ingesting high levels of it results in vomiting, diarrhea, temporary hair loss, and other effects. This chemical has been found in at least 210 of 1,416 National Priorities List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency.

What is thallium?

(Pronounced thăl′ē-əm)

Pure thallium is a bluish-white metal that is found in trace amounts in the earth's crust. In the past, thallium was obtained as a by-product from smelting other metals; however, it has not been produced in the United States since 1984. Currently, all the thallium is obtained from imports and from thallium reserves.

In its pure form, thallium is odorless and tasteless. It can also be found combined with other substances such as bromine, chlorine, fluorine, and iodine. When it's combined, it appears colorless-to-white or yellow.

Thallium is used mostly in manufacturing electronic devices, switches, and closures, primarily for the semiconductor industry. It also has limited use in the manufacture of special glass and for certain medical procedures.

What happens to thallium when it enters the environment?

- Thallium enters the environment primarily from coal-burning and smelting, in which it is a trace contaminant of the raw materials.
- It stays in the air, water, and soil for a long time and is not broken down.
- Some thallium compounds are removed from the atmosphere in rain and snow.
- It's absorbed by plants and enters the food chain.
- It builds up in fish and shellfish.

How might I be exposed to thallium?

- Eating food contaminated with thallium may be a major source of exposure for most people.
- Breathing workplace air in industries that use thallium
- Smoking cigarettes.
- Living near hazardous waste sites containing thallium (may result in higher than normal exposures).
- Touching or, for children, eating soil contaminated with thallium.
- Breathing low levels in air and water.

How can thallium affect my health?

Exposure to high levels of thallium can result in harmful health effects. A study on workers exposed on the job over several years reported nervous system effects, such as numbness of fingers and toes, from breathing thallium.

Studies in people who ingested large amounts of thallium over a short time have reported vomiting, diarrhea, temporary hair loss, and effects on the nervous system, lungs, heart, liver,

and kidneys. It has caused death. It is not known what the effects are from ingesting low levels of thallium over a long time.

Birth defects were not reported in the children of mothers exposed to low levels from eating vegetables and fruits contaminated with thallium. Studies in rats, however, exposed to high levels of thallium, showed adverse developmental effects.

It is not known if breathing or ingesting thallium affects human reproduction. Studies showed that rats that ingested thallium for several weeks had some adverse reproductive effects. Animal data suggest that the male reproductive system may be susceptible to damage by low levels of thallium.

There is no information available on the health effects of skin contact with thallium in people or animals.

How likely is thallium to cause cancer?

The Department of Health and Human Services, the International Agency for Research on Cancer, and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have not classified thallium as to its human carcinogenicity.

No studies are available in people or animals on the carcinogenic effects of breathing, ingesting, or touching thallium.

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

There are medical tests available to measure levels of thallium in urine and hair. In addition, thallium can also be measured in blood; however, this is not a good indicator of exposure since thallium only stays in blood a very short time.

These tests require special equipment that is not usually available in most doctor's offices. In addition, these tests cannot determine if adverse health effects will occur from the exposure to thallium.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA requires that discharges or accidental spills into the environment of 1,000 pounds or more of thallium be reported.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set an exposure limit of 0.1 milligrams per cubic meter (0.1 mg/m^3) for thallium in workplace air. The American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) has established the same guidelines as OSHA for the workplace.

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) has recommended that 15 mg/m^3 of thallium be considered immediately dangerous to life and health. This is the exposure level of a chemical that is likely to cause permanent health problems or death.

Glossary

Carcinogenicity: Ability to cause cancer.

Ingesting: Taking food or drink into your body.

Milligram (mg): One thousandth of a gram.

References

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TOLUENE
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HIGHLIGHTS: Exposure to toluene occurs from breathing contaminated workplace air, in automobile exhaust, some consumer products paints, paint thinners, fingernail polish, lacquers, and adhesives. Toluene affects the nervous system. Toluene has been found at 959 of the 1,591 National Priority List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency

What is toluene?

Toluene is a clear, colorless liquid with a distinctive smell. Toluene occurs naturally in crude oil and in the tolu tree. It is also produced in the process of making gasoline and other fuels from crude oil and making coke from coal.

Toluene is used in making paints, paint thinners, fingernail polish, lacquers, adhesives, and rubber and in some printing and leather tanning processes.

What happens to toluene when it enters the environment?

❑ Toluene enters the environment when you use materials that contain it. It can also enter surface water and groundwater from spills of solvents and petrolieum products as well as from leasking underground storage tanks at gasoline stations and other facilities.

❑ When toluene-containing products are placed in landfills or waste disposal sites, the toluene can enter the soil or water near the waste site.

❑ Toluene does not usually stay in the environment long.

❑ Toluene does not concentrate or buildup to high levels in animals.

How might I be exposed to toluene?

❑ Breathing contaminated workplace air or automobile exhaust.

❑ Working with gasoline, kerosene, heating oil, paints, and lacquers.

❑ Drinking contaminated well-water.

❑ Living near uncontrolled hazardous waste sites containing toluene products.

How can toluene affect my health?

Toluene may affect the nervous system. Low to moderate levles can cause tiredness, confusion, weakness, drunken-type actions, memory loss, nausea, loss of appetite, and

hearing and color vision loss. These symptoms usually disappear when exposure is stopped.

Inhaling High levels of toluene in a short time can make you feel light-headed, dizzy, or sleepy. It can also cause unconsciousness, and even death.

High levels of toluene may affect your kidneys.

How likely is toluene to cause cancer?

Studies in humans and animals generally indicate that toluene does not cause cancer.

The EPA has determined that the carcinogenicity of toluene can not be classified.

How can toluene affect children?

It is likely that health effects seen in children exposed to toluene will be similar to the effects seen in adults. Some studies in animals suggest that babies may be more sensitive than adults.

Breathing very high levels of toluene during pregnancy can result in children with birth defects and retard mental abilities, and growth. We do not know if toluene harms the unborn child if the mother is exposed to low levels of toluene during pregnancy.

How can families reduce the risk of exposure to toluene?

❑ Use toluene-containing products in well-ventilated areas.

❑ When not in use, toluene-containing products should be tightly covered to prevent evaporation into the air.

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

There are tests to measure the level of toluene or its breakdown products in exhaled air, urine, and blood. To determine if you have been exposed to toluene, your urine or blood must be checked within 12 hours of exposure. Several other chemicals are also changed into the same breakdown products as toluene, so some of these tests are not specific for toluene.

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

EPA has set a limit of 1 milligram per liter of drinking water (1 mg/L).

Discharges, releases, or spills of more than 1,000 pounds of toluene must be reported to the National Response Center.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration has set a limit of 200 parts toluene per million of workplace air (200 ppm).

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XYLENE
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SUMMARY: Exposure to xylene occurs in the workplace and when you use paint, gasoline, paint thinners and other products that contain it. People who breathe high levels may have dizziness, confusion, and a change in their sense of balance. This substance has been found in at least 658 of the 1,430 National Priorities List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What is xylene?

(Pronounced zī′lēn)

Xylene is a colorless, sweet-smelling liquid that catches on fire easily. It occurs naturally in petroleum and coal tar and is formed during forest fires. You can smell xylene in air at 0.08–3.7 parts of xylene per million parts of air (ppm) and begin to taste it in water at 0.53–1.8 ppm.

Chemical industries produce xylene from petroleum. It's one of the top 30 chemicals produced in the United States in terms of volume.

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

What happens to xylene when it enters the environment?

- Xylene has been found in waste sites and landfills when discarded as used solvent, or in varnish, paint, or paint thinners.
- It evaporates quickly from the soil and surface water into the air.
- In the air, it is broken down by sunlight into other less harmful chemicals.
- It is broken down by microorganisms in soil and water.
- Only a small amount of it builds up in fish, shellfish, plants, and animals living in xylene-contaminated water.

How might I be exposed to xylene?

- Breathing xylene in workplace air or in automobile exhaust.
- Breathing contaminated air.
- Touching gasoline, paint, paint removers, varnish, shellac, and rust preventatives that contain it.
- Breathing cigarette smoke that has small amounts of xylene in it.
- Drinking contaminated water or breathing air near waste sites and landfills that contain xylene.
- The amount of xylene in food is likely to be low.

How can xylene affect my health?

Xylene affects the brain. High levels from exposure for short periods (14 days or less) or long periods (more than 1 year) can cause headaches, lack of muscle coordination, dizziness, confusion, and changes in one's sense of balance. Exposure of

people to high levels of xylene for short periods can also cause irritation of the skin, eyes, nose, and throat; difficulty in breathing; problems with the lungs; delayed reaction time; memory difficulties; stomach discomfort; and possibly changes in the liver and kidneys. It can cause unconsciousness and even death at very high levels.

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

How likely is xylene to cause cancer?

The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has determined that xylene is not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity in humans.

Human and animal studies have not shown xylene to be carcinogenic, but these studies are not conclusive and do not provide enough information to conclude that xylene does not cause cancer.

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

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

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

The EPA has set a limit of 10 ppm of xylene in drinking water.

The EPA requires that spills or accidental releases of xylenes into the environment of 1,000 pounds or more must be reported.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set a maximum level of 100 ppm xylene in workplace air for an 8-hour workday, 40-hour workweek.

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) and the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) also recommend exposure limits of 100 ppm in workplace air.

NIOSH has recommended that 900 ppm of xylene be considered immediately dangerous to life or health. This is the exposure level of a chemical that is likely to cause permanent health problems or death.

Glossary

Evaporate: To change from a liquid into a vapor or a gas.

Carcinogenic: Having the ability to cause cancer.

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service.

ppm: Parts per million.

Solvent: A liquid that can dissolve other substances.

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ZINC
CAS # 7440-66-6

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

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

What is zinc?

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

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

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

What happens to zinc when it enters the environment?

❏ Some is released into the environment by natural processes, but most comes from human activities like mining, steel production, coal burning, and burning of waste.
❏ It attaches to soil, sediments, and dust particles in the air.
❏ Rain and snow remove zinc dust particles from the air.
❏ Depending on the type of soil, some zinc compounds can move into the groundwater and into lakes, streams, and rivers.
❏ Most of the zinc in soil stays bound to soil particles and does not dissolve in water.
❏ It builds up in fish and other organisms, but it does not build up in plants.

How might I be exposed to zinc?

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

How can zinc affect my health?

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

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

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

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

How likely is zinc to cause cancer?

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

How can zinc affect children?

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

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

How can families reduce the risks of exposure to zinc?

❑ Children living near waste sites that contain zinc may be exposed to higher levels of zinc through breathing contaminated air, drinking contaminated drinking water, touching or eating contaminated soil.

❑ Discourage your children from eating soil or putting their hands in their mouths and teach them to wash their hands frequently and before eating.

❑ If you use medicines or vitamin supplements containing zinc, make sure you use them appropriately and keep them out of the reach of children.

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

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

Has the federal government made recommendations to protect human health?

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

To protect workers, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set an average limit of 1 mg/m^3 for zinc chloride fumes and 5 mg/m^3 for zinc oxide (dusts and fumes) in workplace air during an 8-hour workday, 40-hour workweek.

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

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APPENDIX B
REPORT FORMS

WEEKLY SAFETY REPORT FORM

Week Ending: _____ Project Name/Number: _____

Report Date: _____ Project Manager Name: _____

Summary of any violations of procedures occurring that week:

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

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

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Comments:

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Name: _____ Company: _____

Signature: _____ Title: _____

INCIDENT REPORT FORM

Date of Report: _____

Injured: _____

Employer: _____

Site: _____ Site Location: _____

Report Prepared By: _____ _____
Signature Title

ACCIDENT/INCIDENT CATEGORY (check all that applies)

___Injury	___ Illness	___ Near Miss
__ Property Damage	___ Fire	___ Chemical Exposure
__ On-site Equipment	___ Motor Vehicle	___ Electrical
__ Mechanical	___ Spill	___ Other

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

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WITNESS TO ACCIDENT/INCIDENT:

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

INJURED - ILL:

Name: _____ SSN: _____

Address: _____ Age: _____

Length of Service: _____ Time on Present Job: _____

Time/Classification: _____

SEVERITY OF INJURY OR ILLNESS:

____ Disabling ___ Non-disabling ___ Fatality

____ Medical Treatment ___ First Aid Only

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF DAYS AWAY FROM JOB: _____

NATURE OF INJURY OR ILLNESS: _____

_____

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_____

CLASSIFICATION OF INJURY:

__ Abrasions _____ Dislocations ____ Punctures

__ Bites _____ Faint/Dizziness ____ Radiation Burns

__ Blisters _____ Fractures ____ Respiratory Allergy

__ Bruises _____ Frostbite ____ Sprains

__ Chemical Burns _____ Heat Burns ____ Toxic Resp. Exposure

__ Cold Exposure _____ Heat Exhaustion ____ Toxic Ingestion

__ Concussion _____ Heat Stroke ____ Dermal Allergy

__ Lacerations

Part of Body Affected: _____

Degree of Disability: _____

Date Medical Care was Received: _____

Where Medical Care was Received: _____

Address (if off-site): _____

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

PROPERTY DAMAGE:

Description of Damage: _____

_____

Cost of Damage: $ _____

ACCIDENT/INCIDENT LOCATION: _____

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

_____

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Was weather a factor?:_____

_____

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

_____

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

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_____

ON-SITE ACCIDENTS/INCIDENTS:

Level of personal protection equipment required in Site Safety Plan:

_____

_____

Modifications:

_____

Was injured using required equipment?:

_____

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

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

ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT REVIEWED BY:

SSO Name Printed | SSO Signature

OTHERS PARTICIPATING IN INVESTIGATION:

Signature | Title

Signature | Title

Signature | Title

ACCIDENT/INCIDENT FOLLOW-UP: Date: _____

Outcome of accident/incident: _____

Physician's recommendations: _____

Date injured returned to work: _____

Follow-up performed by:

Signature | Title

ATTACH ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO THIS FORM

APPENDIX C
EMERGENCY HAND SIGNALS

EMERGENCY SIGNALS

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

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

EMERGENCY HAND SIGNALS

OUT OF AIR, CAN'T BREATHE!



Hand gripping throat

LEAVE AREA IMMEDIATELY, NO DEBATE!

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

NEED ASSISTANCE!



Hands on top of head

OKAY! – I'M ALL RIGHT!

- I UNDERSTAND!



Thumbs up

NO! - NEGATIVE!



Thumbs down

APPENDIX C
COMMUNITY AIR MONITORING PLAN

260 NORTH AVENUE

NEW ROCHELLE, NEW YORK

Community Air Monitoring Plan

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Table 1 – Action Levels and Required Response Actions

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) has been developed for use during the implementation of Remedial Investigation (RI) activities conducted by all on-site personnel, both AKRF employees and others, at the 260 North Avenue Site, located at 260 North Avenue in New Rochelle, Westchester County, New York (the Site), also identified as Tax Parcel ID 1-299-0030. a two-story masonry building with a full cellar in the northeast portion occupied by Citizens Bank and an asphalt-paved parking lot and a drive-thru ATM located in the western portion of the building. A Site Location map is provided as Figure 1.

Available records have documented that the Site was previously developed with a carriage factory, a livery, and stores as early as 1887. Between 1896 and 1903, additional uses were identified including laundry, a confectionary, saloons, a grocery store, hay and feed shop, and dwellings. In 1911, Borders Condensed Milk Co. bottling facility occupied the central portion of the Site and Lafayette Hotel was located in the southwestern portion. Additional uses included a blacksmith, printing shop, and tin shop. Between 1931 and 1951, the Site was developed with several stores, an electric motor printing facility (1931 map only), Lafayette Hotel, and an upholstering and paint store. The Site was shown as its current configuration on the 1990 map and was developed with a two-story bank building constructed in 1963 (noted on the map) and exterior parking lot.

2.0 COMMUNITY AIR MONITORING PROGRAM

The purpose of the Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) is to outline appropriate monitoring, mitigation measures, and reporting requirements to ensure that the surrounding community is not affected during implementation of the Remedial Investigation field activities. Community air monitoring will be conducted during all intrusive Site activities in compliance with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) Generic CAMP. Results of the air monitoring will be used to determine the appropriate response action, if needed. Field personnel will be trained in the proper operation of all field instruments at the start of the program. The equipment will be calibrated according to manufacturer specifications at the start of each day of fieldwork. If an instrument fails calibration, the project manager will be contacted immediately to obtain a replacement instrument and arrange for repairs. Real-time air monitoring for volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and particulates at the perimeter of the exclusion zone will be performed as described below.

2.1 Volatile Organic Compounds and Particulates

Continuous monitoring for VOCs will be conducted during all ground intrusive activities, including soil boring advancement, groundwater monitoring well installation, and excavation. Upwind concentrations will be measured at the start of each workday and periodically thereafter to establish background concentrations. VOCs will be monitored continuously at the upwind and downwind perimeter of the exclusion zone. Monitoring will be conducted with a photoionization detector (PID) equipped with a 10.6 electron volt (eV) lamp capable of calculating 15-minute running average concentrations and equipped with an audible alarm to indicate exceedances of action levels. An inspection of the monitoring stations will be conducted on at least an hourly basis. All 15-minute average PID readings will be recorded and available for NYSDEC and NYSDOH personnel to review. The action levels and their respective required responses are summarized in Table 1, below.

Continuous monitoring for particulates will be conducted during all ground intrusive activities, which will involve the measurement of respirable dust. Upwind concentrations will be measured at the start of each workday and periodically thereafter to establish background concentrations. Particulates will be monitored continuously at the upwind and downwind perimeter of the exclusion zone. Community air monitoring for dust particulates will be conducted using a DustTrak® or equivalent to measure the concentration of airborne respirable particulates less than 10 micrometers in size (PM_{10}). The dust monitor will be capable of calculating 15-minute running average concentrations and equipped with an audible alarm to indicate the exceedance of action levels. An inspection of the monitoring stations will be conducted on at least an hourly basis. All 15-minute average readings will be recorded and available for NYSDEC and NYSDOH personnel to review.

The action levels and their respective required responses are summarized in Table 1, below.

2.2 Action Levels and Required Actions

The action levels and required responses are listed in Table 1:

Table 1
Action Levels and Required Response Actions

Monitoring	Action Level[1]	Response Action
Particulates	15-minute average between 0.100 mg/m^3 and 0.150 mg/m^3 above background	Implement dust suppression measures and continue monitoring. Work may continue if levels remain below 0.150 mg/m^3 and no visible dust is migrating from the work area.
	15-minute average greater than 0.150 mg/m^3 above background	Stop work until dust suppression measures mitigate levels to below 0.150 mg/m^3.
VOCs	15-minute average between 5 and 25 ppm	Stop work, identify source of vapors and mitigate. Work may continue if instantons readings rapidly decrease below 5 ppm above background.
	15-minute average more than 25 ppm	Shutdown of work. Mitigate levels to below 5 ppm.

Notes:
[1] 15-minute time-weighted average
ppm = parts per million
mg/m^3 = milligrams per cubic meter

2.3 Special Requirements for Work Within 20 ft of Potentially Exposed Individuals or Structures

When work areas are within 20 feet of potentially exposed populations or occupied structures, the continuous monitoring locations for VOCs and particulates must reflect the nearest potentially exposed individuals and the location of ventilation system intakes for nearby structures. The use of engineering controls such as vapor/dust barriers, temporary negative-pressure enclosures, or special ventilation devices should be considered to prevent exposures related to the work activities and to control dust and odors. Consideration should be given to implementing the planned activities when potentially exposed populations are at a minimum, such as during weekends or evening hours in non-residential settings.

If total VOC concentrations opposite the walls of occupied structures or next to intake vents exceed 1 ppm, monitoring should occur within the occupied structure(s). Depending upon the nature of contamination, chemical-specific colorimetric tubes of sufficient sensitivity may be necessary for comparing the exposure point concentrations with appropriate pre-determined response levels (response actions should also be pre-determined). Background readings in the occupied spaces must be taken prior to commencement of the planned work. Any unusual background readings should be discussed with NYSDOH prior to commencement of the work.

If total particulate concentrations opposite the walls of occupied structures or next to intake vents exceed 150 micrograms per cubic meter (µg/m^3), work activities should be suspended until controls are implemented and are successful in reducing the total particulate concentration to 150 µg/m^3 or less at the monitoring point.

Depending upon the nature of contamination and remedial activities, other parameters (e.g., explosivity, oxygen, hydrogen sulfide, carbon monoxide) may also need to be monitored. Response levels and actions should be pre-determined, as necessary, for each site.

2.4 Special Requirements for Indoor Work With Co-Located Residences or Facilities

Unless a self-contained, negative-pressure enclosure with proper emission controls will encompass the work area, all individuals not directly involved with the planned work must be absent from the room in which the work will occur. Monitoring requirements shall be as stated above under "Special Requirements for Work Within 20 Feet of Potentially Exposed Individuals or Structures" except that in this instance "nearby/occupied structures" would be adjacent occupied rooms. Additionally, the location of all exhaust vents in the room and their discharge points, as well as potential vapor pathways (openings, conduits, etc.) relative to adjoining rooms, should be understood and the monitoring locations established accordingly. In these situations, it is strongly recommended that exhaust fans or other engineering controls be used to create negative air pressure within the work area during remedial activities. Additionally, it is strongly recommended that the planned work be implemented during hours (e.g. weekends or evenings) when building occupancy is at a minimum.

2.5 Reporting

CAMP summary reports will be prepared and submitted to NYSDEC and NYSDOH for review as part of the daily and monthly reports. In the event that there is an action level exceedance or complaint, NYSDEC and NYSDOH will be notified within 24 hours (same day to the extent possible). The notification will include a description of the exceedance or complaint, the cause of the exceedance or complaint, and any corrective actions taken. All recorded CAMP data will be included in the Remedial Investigation Report (RIR).

FIGURE

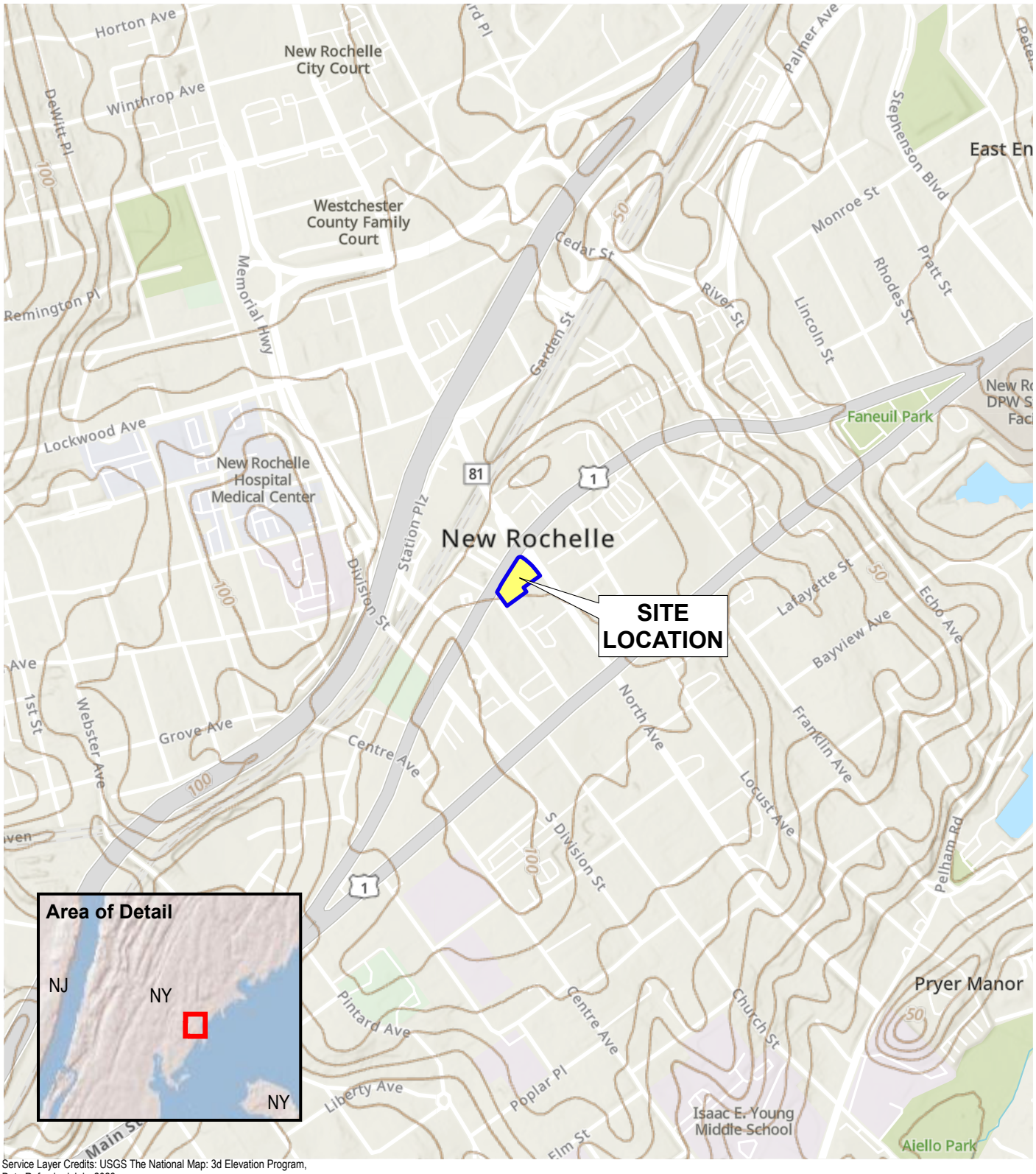

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FIGURE

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