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If “paperless” is not an option for you, call or write to the DER project manager identified in this fact sheet. Indicate that you need to receive paper copies of fact sheets through the Postal Service. Include the site name in your correspondence. The option to receive paper is available to individuals only. Groups, organizations, businesses, and government entities are assumed to have email access.

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**FACT SHEET****Brownfield Cleanup
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Site Name: Former Camillus Cutlery Company Site
DEC Site #: C734142
Address: 52 & 54 Genesee Street
Camillus, NY 13031

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Below

Draft Investigation Work Plan for Brownfield Site Available for Public Comment

The public is invited to comment on a draft work plan being reviewed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to investigate the Former Camillus Cutlery Company Site ("site") located at 52 & 54 Genesee Street, Camillus, Onondaga County. Please see the map for the site location. Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the location(s) identified below under "Where to Find Information."

Draft Investigation Work Plan

The draft investigation work plan, called a "Remedial Investigation Work Plan," was submitted to NYSDEC under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program. The investigation will be performed by Camillus Mills, LLC ("applicant") with oversight by NYSDEC and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH).

How to Comment

NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the draft investigation work plan for 30 days, from **April 18, 2013** through **May 18, 2013**. The proposed plan is available for review at the locations identified below under "Where to Find Information." Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area below.

Highlights of the Proposed Site Investigation

The investigation will define the nature and extent of contamination in soil, surface water, groundwater and any other parts of the environment that may be affected.

The investigation will:

- identify any source(s) of contamination
- identify potential contaminant migration pathways and receptors
- assess the impact of contamination on public health and the environment
- provide information to support the development of a proposed remedy to address the contamination or the determination that a cleanup is not necessary.

The field work investigation will include installation of soil borings and groundwater monitoring wells. Samples of subsurface soil, surface soil and groundwater will be obtained for laboratory analysis to evaluate the existing site conditions. A Fish and Wildlife Resource Impact Analysis (FWRIA) will be performed to evaluate any potential resource impacts. In addition, an evaluation of air quality within the remaining building will be conducted as per NYDOH guidelines

Next Steps

NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the plan as necessary, and approve the work plan. NYSDOH must concur with the plan. The approved work plan will be made available to the public (see “Where to Find Information” below). After the work plan is approved, the activities detailed in the work plan will be implemented.

When the investigation is completed, a report will be prepared and submitted to the NYSDEC that summarizes the results. NYSDEC will review the report, make any necessary revisions if appropriate, and approve the report.

After the investigation, a cleanup plan, called a “Remedial Work Plan” will be developed and a Decision Document will be proposed. The cleanup plan will include an evaluation of the proposed site remedy, or recommend a “no action or no further action alternative”. The goal of the cleanup plan is to ensure the protection of public health and the environment. NYSDEC will present the proposed cleanup plan to the public for its review and comment during a 45-day comment period. NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

Background

Location: The Former Camillus Cutlery Company site is located at 52 & 54 Genesee Street, in the Village of Camillus, Onondaga County

Site Features: The approximate 4.28 acre property is occupied by two of the former Cutlery buildings referred to as the West Building and the East Building. The West Building has two stories and a footprint area of 45,600 square feet. The former East Building varied from one to three stories and had a footprint of approximately 88,957 square feet. The East Building was destroyed in a major fire that occurred February 11, 2013 and no longer remains intact. The majority of the remaining property consists of paved parking areas and drive lanes. These paved parking lots and drive lanes overlay a feature marked Erie Canal Feeder from the 1911 Sandborn Fire Insurance maps. Residential development borders the site to the west and north; Nine Mile Creek borders the site to the east; and Genesee Street borders the site to the south.

Current Zoning/Use: The property is currently vacant, and it is zoned commercial. The nearest residential area is adjacent to the western and northern site boundaries.

Past Use of the Site: Manufacturing operations at the Cutlery began during the 1890's and continued until the early 2000's. Throughout its history, the facility produced primarily knives, with secondary products including, but not limited to, machetes, marlin spikes and surgical scalpels. During operations the facility generated wastes from tempering, grinding, plating and

etching processes. The facility included an oil storage house and a coal storage house which may have generated waste. Potential contaminants related to these operations include metals mineral spirits used in finishing wood handles and leksol, a solvent, used in vapor degreasing.

Site Geology and Hydrogeology: The site was formerly traversed by a feeder to the Erie Canal. The feeder canal was filled sometime during the 1940's and/or 1950's. Groundwater is encountered at approximately four to nine feet below the ground surface, and the groundwater generally flows to the east, toward Nine Mile creek. It is suspected that Nine-Mile creek has a direct influence on the site's groundwater flow direction.

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

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/external/derexternal/haz/details.cfm?pageid=3&progno=C734142>

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

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

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

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Where to Find Information

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

Maxwell Memorial Library
Attn: Katy Benson
14 Genesee Street
Camillus, NY 13031
Phone: (315) 672-3661

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
Region 7 Office, Division of Remediation
615 Erie Boulevard West, Syracuse New York 13204
Phone: (315) 426-7551

Who to Contact

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

Project Related Questions

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Division of Environmental Remediation
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Site-Related Health Questions

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As a listserv member, you will periodically receive site-related information/announcements for all contaminated sites in the county (ies) you select.

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