

## **Brownfield Cleanup Program – Fact Sheet Template Instructions**

### **Fact Sheet Template #3b: Draft Remedial Work Plan Available for Public Comment; Public Meeting Announced**

**Note:** Template #3b is to be used for the required fact sheet to be mailed to the brownfield site contact list to describe the draft Remedial Work Plan and announce a 45-day public comment period and a public meeting.

**Stop!** If a public meeting **has not** been scheduled during the 45-day public comment period about the draft Remedial Work Plan, you are using the **wrong** template. Instead, use:

#### **Template #3a: Draft Remedial Work Plan Available for Public Comment.**

Complete Template #3b as follows:

Follow the instructions within the brackets for inserting information, then delete the instructions and brackets.

Include a map locating the brownfield site within the community as a last sheet or as a graphic inserted in the last page. Map in electronic format is preferred.

In the public meeting announcement box, identify the alternate date for the meeting in the event of severe weather, if the meeting has been “double booked”. This eliminates the need to mail another fact sheet. Also state if another language is available for attendees, if applicable.

Do not delete or alter “boilerplate” language unless it does not apply to the brownfield site and project.

When done, address page breaks, heading locations and other formatting issues as needed.

NYSDEC will review and approve the fact sheet, and will notify the applicant when to mail the fact sheet to the brownfield site contact list.

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# FACT SHEET

## Brownfield Cleanup Program

**Former Griffin Technology Site  
Site # C835008  
Farmington, Ontario County, NY**

**December 2007**

### **Draft Remedial Work Plan Available for Public Comment**

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) requests public comments as it reviews a proposed remedy (cleanup) to address contamination related to the Former Griffin Technology site located at 6132 Victor Manchester Road in the Town of Farmington, Ontario County, NY. See map for the location of the site. The proposed remedy is described in a draft Remedial Work Plan submitted by SW Victor Manchester, LLC under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) to address the contamination on the site. Offsite contamination will be addressed by Griffin Technology Inc. through a separate investigation and work plan addressing vapor intrusion.

NYSDEC previously accepted an application submitted by SW Victor Manchester, LLC to participate in the BCP. The application proposes that the site will be used for commercial purposes.

#### **Public Comments About the Draft Remedial Work Plan**

NYSDEC is accepting written public comments about the draft Remedial Work Plan for 45 days, from **December 27, 2007** through **February 9, 2008**. The draft Remedial Work Plan is available for public review at the document repository identified in this fact sheet.

Written comments should be submitted to:

Gary E. Bonarski P.E.  
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation  
Division of Environmental Remediation  
6274 East Avon-Lima Road  
Avon, NY 14414

**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 include recreation, housing, and business.

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:  
[www.dec.state.ny.us/website/der/bcp](http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/der/bcp)

#### **Highlights of the Draft Remedial Work Plan**

The Remedial Work Plan has several goals:

- 1) Identify cleanup levels to be attained or the process to be used to determine these levels;
- 2) Explain why the Remedial Work Plan concludes that the results of remediation will protect public health and the environment; and
- 3) Provide a detailed description of the remedy selected to address site contamination. The work will be performed by SW Victor Manchester, LLC with oversight by NYSDEC and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH).

“*Remediation*” means all necessary actions to address any known or suspected contamination associated with the site.

The proposed remedy includes the following:

- Completing a pilot study to determine the suitability of using a chemical oxidation process to remediate the site.
- (Pending success of the pilot study), constructing an on site chemical oxidation system which will reduce and/ or eliminate groundwater contamination
- Using institutional controls (such as an easement or deed restriction) to prohibit the use of groundwater without the prior approval of the NYSDEC; and
- Performing an assessment of potential soil vapor intrusion relative to buildings on the site. The term "*Soil Vapor Intrusion*" refers to the process by which volatile organic compounds migrate from a subsurface source, groundwater or contaminated soil into the indoor air of overlying or adjacent buildings.

The proposed remedy is designed to be protective of public health and the environment by mitigating the current groundwater contamination and the potential for off-site migration.

### **Next Steps**

NYSDEC will consider public comments when it completes its review, has any necessary revisions made and, if appropriate, approves the Remedial Work Plan. NYSDOH must concur in the approval of the Remedial Work Plan. The approved Remedial Work Plan will be placed in the document repository. When NYSDEC approves the Remedial Work Plan, SW Victor Manchester, LLC may proceed with the design and construction of the site remedy. It is estimated that design and construction activities will take about 6-9 months.

NYSDEC has determined that the project is sufficiently complex that it requires that remedial design will follow as a separate phase of the BCP project. The reasons for this include:

- the need to conduct a field pilot study to determine applicability of the proposed system
- the design of the in-situ system based on the site characterization

NYSDEC will keep the public informed during the remediation of the former Griffin Technologies site.

### **Background**

The applicant SW Victor Manchester, LLC submitted a BCP application on October 12, 2006 and a Brownfield Cleanup Agreement (BCA) was executed on August 24, 2007.

### *Site Description*

The Former Griffin Technology property is approximately 12 acres in total and is located at 6132 Victor-Manchester Road, Farmington, New York. The subject site of the Brownfield Cleanup Agreement (BCA) is 3.74 acres and contains one (1) approximately 18,000 sq. ft. former manufacturing building. The site is bordered by wooded areas (north), Victor-Manchester Road (south), wooded areas (east) and an auto repair facility (west). Griffin Technology operated on the site from 1975 until the mid-1990s performing photo coating (laminating) operations.

### *Site History*

The former manufacturing facility is currently vacant and not in use. Prior to construction of the facility, the property was vacant land. The contaminants of concern are trichloroethene (TCE),

trichloroethane (TCA) and dichloroethene (DCE). These chemicals were used in the laminating process and for degreasing machinery parts

### *Environmental History*

During its operations Griffin Technologies repeatedly released small quantities of TCE on the ground surface near the west side of their manufacturing facility. Over time these releases impacted soils and groundwater. Subsurface investigations were performed beginning in 1991 and included installation of monitoring wells and soil borings. Soil borings and monitoring wells are holes drilled in the ground to allow collection of soil and groundwater samples to determine contamination levels in the area. The contaminants mentioned above were identified in the soils and groundwater samples.

An Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) which is a method used to reduce the risk to people's health and the environment was completed in February 1997. The IRM included installation of wells and a system to pump the contaminated groundwater into the sanitary sewer system. Groundwater samples were collected from monitoring wells, located on and off-site, semi-annually. Progress reports documenting the operation of the system, the quantity of contaminated groundwater removed and the groundwater monitoring results were submitted to the NYSDEC. In general, the system has been effective at decreasing the concentrations of contaminants on and off the site but not effective at removing the potential on-site contamination.

## **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

### **Document Repository**

A local document repository has been established at the following location to help the public to review important project documents. These documents include the draft Remedial Work Plan and the application to participate in the BCP accepted by NYSDEC:

Victor Free Library  
15 West Main Street  
Victor, New York 14564  
(585) 924-2637  
Mon – Thurs 10am – 9pm  
Fri 10am – 6pm  
Sat 10am – 4pm

NYSDEC  
Attn: Gary E. Bonarski, P.E.  
Region 8 Office  
6274 E. Avon-Lima Road  
Avon, NY 14414  
(585) 226-5328  
Mon – Fri 8am – 4pm  
Call for an appointment

**Who to Contact**

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

Project Related Questions

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If you know someone who would like to be added to the project mailing list, have them contact the NYSDEC project manager above. We encourage you to share this fact sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post this fact sheet in a prominent area of your building for others to see.