



FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Jonnie's Porta-Sign (CVS Blasdell Drug, LLC)

October 2006

Site # C915192

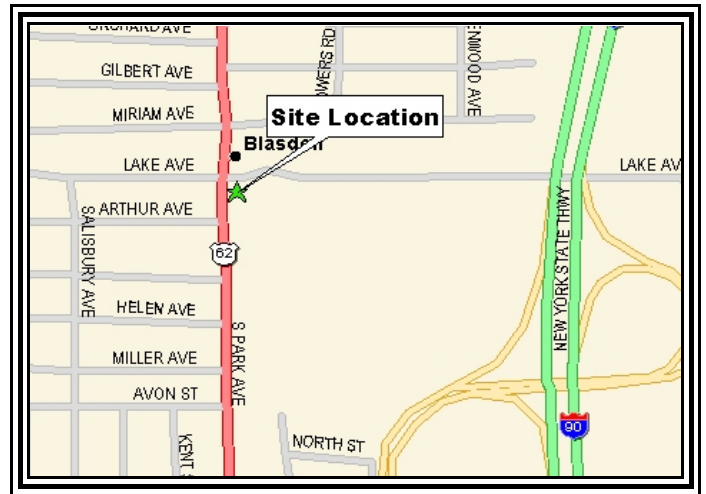
Blasdell, Erie County

Cleanup Activities Completed at the Former Jonnie's Porta Sign Site; Public Comment Period Announced for Site's Remedial Action Report

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is pleased to inform you that cleanup activities have been completed to address environmental contamination at the former Jonnie's Porta-Sign (currently CVS Blasdell Drug, LLC) site, located at 3734 South Park Avenue in the Village of Blasdell, Erie County. (See map at right for location.)

CVS Blasdell Drug, LLC has completed an environmental investigation and cleanup work at the site, and has submitted a **Remedial Action Report**. The report states that cleanup requirements have been achieved at the site to fully protect public health and the environment for the proposed commercial site use.

The Remedial Action Report for the project is available for public review at DEC's Buffalo Office and at the Blasdell Village Hall. (See back of this page for location details.) **DEC welcomes public input on the Remedial Action Report, and will accept public comments on the document for 45 days, from October 9, 2006 until November 22, 2006.**



DETAILS ABOUT THE REMEDIAL REPORT

The Remedial Action Report includes information that:

- describes cleanup activities completed at the site;
- certifies that cleanup requirements have been achieved or will be achieved
- defines the boundaries of the site; and
- describes any institutional/engineering controls to be used. An *institutional control* is a non-physical restriction on use of the site, such as a deed restriction, when the remedial action leaves residual contamination that makes the site suitable for some, but not all uses. An *engineering control* is a physical barrier or method to manage contamination such as a cap or vapor barrier.

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

SITE BACKGROUND

The CVS Blasdell Drug site is a .58 acre property located in an a mixed commercial and residential area of Blasdell. A gas station was formerly located at the site. An Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) conducted at the site identified contamination in the site's soil and groundwater, associated with petroleum compounds from gasoline and oil. The ESA also revealed that fill material on the site contained elevated levels of metals, and that several underground storage tanks (USTs) had been removed from the site.

In May 2005, the site was enrolled in the Brownfield Cleanup Program. The application included details and plans for the site's Remedial Investigation (RI) and cleanup. Investigation and cleanup activities began at the site in June 2005, were completed in September 2005, and included the following actions:

- Installing soil borings and monitoring wells to assess the location of suspected contamination;
- Digging test pits to detect the presence of USTs;
- Removing two abandoned petroleum fuel USTs, one waste oil UST, as well as UST piping and former fuel pump islands on the site;
- Excavating two in-ground hydraulic lifts;
- Excavating and disposing of approximately 2,822 cubic yards of petroleum-impacted soil associated with the USTs and hydraulic lifts;
- Excavating and disposing of approximately 998 cubic yards of fill material;
- Collecting confirmatory samples following contaminated soil removal; and
- Backfilling contaminated soil excavations with clean soil and structural fill necessary for site redevelopment.

All contaminated material was properly disposed of at an off-site permitted facility. Metal from the USTs and hydraulic lifts were reclaimed as scrap metal. Following cleanup, residual contamination in the soil is now at levels acceptable for commercial redevelopment of the property. Cleaned up areas have been redeveloped into parking and landscape settings for a newly constructed pharmacy on an adjacent lot. An environmental easement will be established that will restrict the future use of the site to commercial use only.

NEXT STEPS

After the comment period for the Remedial Action Report, DEC will complete its review of the report and necessary environmental easement. If approved, DEC will issue a Certificate of Completion to CVS Blasdel, LLC. With the receipt of a Certificate of Completion, 2530 CVS Blasdel, LLC would:

- have no liability to the State for contamination at or coming from the site, subject to certain conditions; and
- be eligible for tax credits to offset the costs of performing remedial activities and for redevelopment of the site.

A Certificate of Completion may be modified or revoked if, for example, the applicant does not comply with the terms of its Brownfield Cleanup Agreement with DEC, or if the applicant commits fraud regarding its application or its certification that it has met cleanup levels.

LOCATIONS TO VIEW SITE RELATED DOCUMENTS

DEC will place copies of the approved Remedial Action Report, as well as other relevant documents for this site, at the locations identified below. These locations have been established to help the public to review site related documents.

NYS Department of Environmental Conservation
270 Michigan Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14203-2399
(716) 851-7220
Mon-Fri, 8:30 AM to 4:45 PM
Please call for an appointment.

Blasdel Village Hall
121 Miriam Avenue
Blasdel, NY 14219
(716) 822-1921

TO SUBMIT COMMENTS OR FOR MORE INFORMATION

Questions regarding this site are welcome and should be directed to the contacts listed below. Please send written comments on the Remedial Action Report to Mr. Eugene Melnyk at the address below by **November 22, 2006**.

Site Related Project Questions

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