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You must sign up for the DER email listserv:

www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

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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.

FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Receive Site Fact Sheets by *Email*. See "For More Information" to Learn How.

Site Name: 73-79 W. Huron St.
DEC Site #: C915282
Address: 73-79 W. Huron St.
Buffalo, NY 14202

Have questions?
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"Who to Contact"
Below

Interim Remedial Measure To Begin at Brownfield Site

Action is about to begin that will address the contamination related to the 73-79 W. Huron St. site ("site") located at 73-79 W. Huron St., Buffalo, Erie County under New York State's Brownfield Cleanup Program. Please see the map for the site location.

Interim Remedial Measure

An IRM is a cleanup activity that may be performed when a source of contamination or exposure pathway (the way in which a person may contact contamination) can be effectively addressed without extensive investigation and evaluation.

A Work Plan is currently under review and yet to be approved by the NYSDEC, and public comments are still being accepted. In the interest of moving the project along, Hurondel I, Inc., a volunteer in the Brownfield Cleanup Program, will be starting an expedited cleanup of the site along with the remedial investigation. The cleanup activities will be performed with oversight provided by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC).

Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the location(s) identified below under "Where to Find Information."

Highlights of the Upcoming Cleanup Activities

The goal of the cleanup action for the site is to achieve cleanup levels that protect public health and the environment.

As an interim remedial measure, contaminated soils from the central and southern portions of the parking lot will be excavated and disposed. Other areas of the site, targeted by the remedial investigation, may also be included, based on analytical results. The anticipated depths of excavation will require the handling of groundwater infiltrating the excavation. The excavation water will be pumped to a temporary storage tank on site and treated before being discharged to the sanitary sewer. The excavation will then be backfilled with clean, tested fill and the area regraded and paved for its intended use.

Next Steps

After the applicant completes the cleanup activities, they will prepare a Final Engineering Report and submit it to NYSDEC. The Final Engineering Report will describe the cleanup activities completed and certify that cleanup requirements have been achieved or will be achieved.

When NYSDEC is satisfied that cleanup requirements have been achieved or will be achieved for the site, it will approve the Final Engineering Report. NYSDEC will then issue a Certificate of Completion to the applicant(s).

The applicant(s) would be able to redevelop the site after receiving a Certificate of Completion. In addition, the applicant(s):

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

A fact sheet that describes the content of the Final Engineering Report will be sent to the site contact list. The fact sheet will identify any institutional controls (for example, deed restrictions) or engineering controls (for example, a site cap) necessary at the site in relation to the issuance of the Certificate of Completion.

Background

Location: The site is located at 73-79 W. Huron Street, Buffalo, in Erie County. The site is approximately 0.576 acres in size.

Site Features: The site consists of a building and a parking lot. The six story rectangular parking garage is at 73 W Huron. The vacant parking garage is a brick structure with a basement and has a 0.34 acre footprint. The rectangular parking lot is located to the west of the parking garage. The asphalt paved parking lot is currently in use.

Current Zoning/Use: The parking lot portion of the site is used for commercial purposes.

Following a site cleanup, the building will be redeveloped for mixed commercial/residential use.

Historical Use: The six-story building was constructed in the early 1900s as a horse stable. It was later converted to an automobile parking ramp. Historical activities included the use of petroleum products in above ground drums and underground tanks.

Geology and Hydrogeology:

Soils beneath the asphalt parking lot consist of fine to medium sand with less than 20% silt and clay and intermittent fill. Groundwater is present at approximately 7.5 to 10 feet below ground surface and locally flows to the southeast.

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=C915282>

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, 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.

Erie County Central Library
1 Lafayette Square
Buffalo, NY 14203
phone: 716-858-8900

Project documents are also available on the NYSDEC website at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/37554.html>

Who to Contact

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

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County email listservs available at the following web page:

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and it will help keep you *better informed*.



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

Note: Please disregard if you already have signed up and received this fact sheet electronically.

SITE LOCATION MAP

