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# Fact Sheet

**Pelham Site; Pelham Manor, New York  
Site No. V00110-3**

## **Substantial Completion of Site Remediation**

### **Dear Interested Citizen:**

**This fact sheet provides a status update for the former Pelham Site remediation project.**

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## **Introduction**

Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (Con Edison) and Levin Properties, LLC, together with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), are providing this notice that remediation at the Pelham Site, the location of a historical manufactured gas plant (MGP), has been substantially completed. This site is located in the Village of Pelham Manor, NY.

The remedial work was performed in accordance with a NYSDEC-approved design and with NYSDEC oversight. This remediation was performed under the provisions of the NYSDEC Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP).

## **Project Status**

Remediation at the site is substantially complete. The remediation included:

- Excavation and off-site disposal of 150,000 tons of soil and debris impacted by MGP wastes from both front and rear portions of the site;
- Installation of 3,250 linear feet of permanent low permeability containment barrier to depths of 30 to 60 feet below surface in the rear portion of the site;
- Installation of a groundwater extraction and treatment system;
- Installation of coal tar removal and collection equipment;
- Installation of sub slab venting systems beneath the buildings closest to the Pelham Parkway entrance to the site; and
- Site restoration, including placement of 2 feet of clean fill cover throughout the entire property, and re-construction of parking lots and landscaping.

The remaining work includes startup of the groundwater extraction and treatment system, coal tar removal system, and modifications to the sub-slab venting systems. An environmental easement will also be placed on the site, and a Site Management Plan will be developed to ensure long term operation, maintenance and monitoring of the remedial systems and environmental controls.

An off-site investigation is scheduled for commencement in October 2009 to investigate the sediment of Eastchester Creek and the adjacent property to the south of the site (Getty Oil facility), for the presence of MGP impacts. This work is being done in accordance with a NYSDEC-approved work plan.

## Site Background

The Pelham Plaza site is a 20 acre parcel located at 847 Pelham Parkway, in an urban portion of the Village of Pelham Manor, Westchester County, New York (see attached map). The site is bordered on the west by Eastchester Creek, on the east by Boston Post Road, on the south by a Getty Oil storage terminal, and on the north by Pelham Parkway. The area adjacent to the site is currently used for a combination of commercial/retail, light industrial, and residential purposes. The site was an MGP that was owned and operated by a Con Edison predecessor company from the 1800s until 1951, and was redeveloped in 1966 for its current use as commercial/retail space. Investigation activities began in 1997 and continued until 2004. The results of the investigations indicated the presence of coal tar in soil and groundwater across the site. Based on these investigations, the volunteer prepared a Remedial Action Work Plan which was approved by the NYSDEC in December 2005, and amended in January 2007. Remedial construction activities at the site began in January 2008.

## For More Information

If you would like more information about this project, you are urged to contact the project personnel listed on the cover of this Fact Sheet. You are also invited to visit the document repositories listed below. Included in the repositories are the Voluntary Cleanup Agreement, previous site investigation reports and the modified Remedial Action Work Plan. The repositories are located at:

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## About the NYSDEC's Manufactured Gas Plant Program

NYSDEC has one of the most aggressive Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) site investigation and remediation programs in the country. Since the problems associated with the former MGP sites were identified, NYSDEC has been working with all the utilities on a state-wide basis to identify and address the issue of MGP sites for which they may have responsibility. This effort has resulted in approximately 200 sites identified for action by the eight utilities operating in New York State. Currently the NYSDEC has multi-site orders or agreements with six utilities, including Con Edison, and several other individual site volunteers, to address 119 MGP sites in NY State.

Con Edison has identified 54 former MGP-related sites, all of which are subject to voluntary cleanup agreements or remedial program consent orders with the NYSDEC to remediate. Thirty-seven of these are located in NY City and 17 in Westchester County. To date, 13 Con Edison MGP sites have completed remedial programs, of which 3 are in Westchester County.

NYSDEC continues to seek to identify any other possible MGP sites throughout the State.

For more information about the NYSDEC's MGP program, visit: [www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8430.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8430.html)