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Fact Sheet

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National Grid continues Remedial Investigation at the Ogdensburg (King Street) Property

National Grid is conducting further investigations of a historical manufactured gas plant (MGP) operation formerly located on King Street in Ogdensburg, New York. The former MGP site was owned and operated by a predecessor company to National Grid, and is currently owned by St. Lawrence Gas. Pursuant to an agreement with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), National Grid is collecting and analyzing additional soil, bedrock and ground water samples to determine the nature and extent of environmental impacts associated with the former MGP operations. The results of the sampling efforts will be presented in a Remedial Investigation (RI) Report that National Grid will submit to the NYSDEC following completion of the field activities.

Background Information

While owned by the Ogdensburg Gas Company from 1855 until 1923, the St. Lawrence County Utilities, Inc. until 1937, and the Central New York Power Corporation until the 1940's, this plant heated coal and produced a "manufactured" gas which was utilized for lighting, heating and cooking by Ogdensburg homes and businesses. Propane gas was stored in above ground tanks on the current site of the St. Lawrence Gas Company property from approximately 1945 until approximately 1997. The site was transferred to Niagara Mohawk in 1950 as part of its incorporation from many smaller companies, including the Central New York Power Corporation. In 2002, Niagara Mohawk entered into a Voluntary Cleanup Agreement with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to evaluate and, where necessary, remediate MGP by-products that may remain at 24 former MGPs sites located throughout the New York State. The St. Lawrence Gas Company property is one of those former MGP sites. National Grid acquired Niagara Mohawk in 2002 and assumed responsibility for the investigation of the former MGP.

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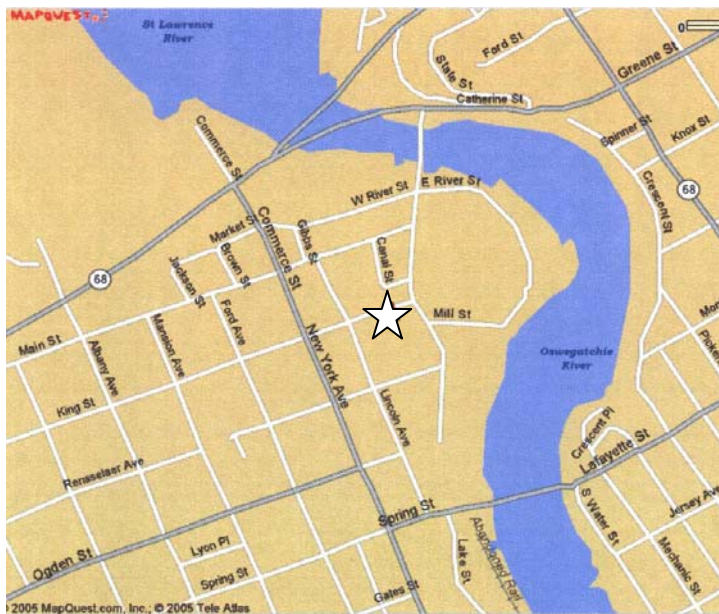
An Initial Site Characterization (ISC) was completed during 2004. The results of the ISC indicated the presence of MGP by-products in the soil and ground water on-site. An RI was initiated in January 2006 to further evaluate on-site and off-site conditions, particularly in the dolomite bedrock. The results indicated that there are limited MGP-related impacts in the soil, bedrock and ground water both on-site and off-site.

The data generated to date has also included a soil vapor intrusion study to determine if any significant MGP-related soil vapor phase impacts were detected off-site. Investigation results indicate that no significant MGP-related soil vapor impacts have been detected in off-site structures.

With oversight from the NYSDEC, contractors for National Grid are completing additional soil borings, and installing additional overburden and bedrock ground water monitoring wells at and in the vicinity of the former MGP site during Fall/Winter 2008 as part of the on-going RI. Soil and ground water samples will be collected and analyzed by a licensed laboratory, and the results reported to National Grid, NYSDOH, and NYSDEC for evaluation. RI activities at the site will continue to be conducted in a safe and controlled manner according to the Health and Safety Plan prepared specifically for this project.

For More Information

If you would like more information about the planned activities, please contact any of the project representatives listed on the first page of this fact sheet. Project documents can also be reviewed by contacting the Ogdensburg City Library at 315.393.4325.



The Ogdensburg Former MGP site is located on King Street. National Grid is conducting an environmental investigation of soil and ground water at the site. Results of the investigations will be used to develop and evaluate appropriate clean up actions at the site.

Inside

....this fact sheet you will find information about on-going environmental investigations for the Ogdensburg (King Street) Former MGP site. National Grid is also working with the NYSDEC and NYSDOH in order to investigate other properties across New York State potentially impacted by MGP-related materials.

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