

July 29, 2025

Mr. Patrick Pagano
Project Manager
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
Dulles State Office Building
317 Washington Street
Watertown, NY 13601-3787

**Re: Site Management Periodic Review Report
Voluntary Cleanup Program Site #V00525
Mativ (Decorative Specialties Int Inc.)**

Dear Mr. Pagano:

This Periodic Review Report (PRR) is being submitted for the FiberMark DSI Inc. (Former REXAM DSI) Inc) site (Site), which is currently owned and operated by Mativ (Decorative Specialties Int Inc.). The reporting period for this PRR is November 15, 2022 to June 15, 2025.

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Mativ owns and operates the facility located at 101 Bridge Street in Brownville, Jefferson County, New York, which is a 3.8-acre tract on the north side of the Black River and on the west side of Bridge Street. The area subject to engineering and institutional controls is 3.5 acres. The residual acreage is 0.3 acres located on the east side of Bridge Street. The production facility has been in operation for over 100 years and historically was a cotton mill and paper mill. The property is located at 44° 01' 00" latitude and 79° 59' 00" longitude and has the tax map identifier 73.72-2-38. A Site map is included as **Attachment A**.

Findings of the annual Site monitoring activities are noted in detail within this Report. The following conclusions are provided regarding the results of the Site monitoring activities:

- The NYSDEC approved Soil Management Plan (SMP), dated May 2005, is being followed for the entire affected portion of the Parcel. No deviations from the SMP were identified or known to have occurred during the current reporting period. The cover system remains intact and continues to provide protection for human health and the environment.
- The property has been utilized for industrial purposes and not a more stringent type of use (such as commercial or residential), and groundwater is not being utilized.

Mativ is not requesting that any changes be made to the SMP. Mativ does not request any changes to the frequency of submittal for future PRRs.

Relative to institutional controls and engineering controls for the Site, no changes are recommended.

2.0 SITE OVERVIEW

The Site was originally used as a textile mill. The original building was constructed in 1814. Additional buildings were constructed when the textile mill was transformed into a paper mill. In 2002, REXAM entered the Site into the Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP). Based on the results of the investigation, no remediation was required and deed restrictions were recorded in April 2007.

Rexam DSi Inc. became FiberMark DSi, Inc. in 2003. FiberMark DSi, Inc. changed its name to Neenah Northeast, LLC on September 1, 2016. Neenah became Mativ in 2022 due to a corporate merger. Despite numerous name changes, the Site is still owned by Decorative Specialties International Incorporated and the facility continues to be used as a paper mill.

3.0 NATURE AND EXTENT OF CONTAMINATION

Based on data obtained as part of an August 2000 Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) Report and a December 2000 Phase II ESA Report, the Site was entered into the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's (NYSDEC's) Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) by REXAM DSi Inc. in 2002. A Site Investigation Workplan was subsequently prepared and implemented. The results of that investigation were presented in a Site Investigation Report prepared by Envision Environmental for FiberMark DSi, Inc (Formerly REXAM DSi Inc.) in 2003. Based on these investigations and findings, no remediation was recommended at the Site.

The constituents of potential concern for the Site soil consist primarily of petroleum products, semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), and metals. To evaluate surface soil quality at the Site, surface soil samples were collected from 15 locations for analysis. Soil analytical results were compared to applicable (at that time) NYSDEC Technical and Administrative Guidance Memo (TAGM) levels, as follows: Recommended Soil Cleanup Objectives (RSCOs), Soil Cleanup Objectives to Protect Groundwater Quality (SCO PGQs), Site-specific background levels (SSBLs), and Eastern USA background levels. 13 of the surface soil samples collected were analyzed for polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and metals. Four of the surface soil samples were analyzed for SVOCs (base neutrals (BNs) plus 15 tentatively identified compounds (TICs)). Any PAH and / or BN constituents detected were either below their applicable NYSDEC soil levels or were found in the background soil samples at similar concentrations. No BN or TIC constituents were found in surface soil in exceedance of the NYSDEC TAGM #4046 general guideline for individual BN or TIC constituents of less than 50,000 parts per billion (ppb). Therefore, the presence of PAH/BN constituents in the soil samples representative of the Site soil are not considered a threat to human health or the environment. Any metal constituents detected were either below their applicable NYSDEC soil levels or were found in the background soil samples at similar concentrations, except for arsenic and lead. Arsenic was only detected above SSBLs and the published Eastern USA background levels within one sample of the eleven non-background soil samples collected. Lead was also only detected above the SSBLs and the published Eastern USA background levels within one of the eleven non-background soil samples

collected. The groundwater analytical data showing arsenic and lead were not above applicable thresholds. The extent of soil impacted by arsenic and lead was considered minimal and does not present a potential threat to human health and the environment.

In May 2005, Envision Environmental, Inc. submitted a SMP and Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions to the NYSDEC. The NYSDEC approved the SMP on November 14, 2005.

4.0 REMEDY AND PERFORMANCE

4.1 IC /EC Compliance

Site monitoring activities were conducted to review and identify if Site controls are in compliance with the SMP. Mativ indicated the following at the onset of Site monitoring activities:

- The contact information on the form is not correct.
- The property has not undergone a sale. Decorative Specialties International Inc. still owns the Site. However, due to a corporate merger in 2022 Neenah Northeast, LLC became Mativ. The corrected Site information has been written into the IC/EC forms and in **Section 2.0** above.
- There have been no changes to the use of the property. It is being utilized for the Site uses allowed by the Deed restriction.
- No federal, state, or local permits have been issued for the property.
- The property is not currently being redeveloped.

Institutional Controls

A fully executed Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions was recorded in the Jefferson County Clerk's office on April 12, 2007. (File Number: 2007-00006019). The SMP limits the use of groundwater and requires that soils be handled appropriately if moved from the Site or disturbed. Deed restrictions have been implemented in accordance with the requirements of the NYSDEC VCP, limiting future use of the Site to industrial development.

Site restrictions that apply include:

- Land Use Restriction: The property may only be utilized for industrial uses.
- Groundwater Use Restriction: Use of groundwater beneath the Site is prohibited.
- Soil Management Plan: All future activities at the property that disturb remaining contaminants must be conducted in accordance with the SMP.
- ICs / ECs must be followed consistent with the IC / EC Plan.

The Site Owner/Remedial party must provide a written statement to the NYSDEC that certifies controls implemented at the property are unchanged, nothing has occurred that would impair the ability of the Site controls to protect public health and the environment, or that constitutes a violation or failure to comply with the SMP. The certification is provided in the IC-EC forms, provided in

Attachment B.
Engineering Controls

The following EC must be maintained:

- Cover System

The Site Owner/Remedial party must provide a written statement to the NYSDEC that certifies controls implemented at the property are unchanged, nothing has occurred that would impair the ability of the Site controls to protect public health and the environment, or that constitutes a violation or failure to comply with the SMP. The certification is provided in the IC-EC forms, provided as **Attachment B.**

4.2 Site Inspection

Site reconnaissance of the property was performed on June 23, 2025. C&S conducted the Site reconnaissance which included an inspection of the cover system.

Review of Institutional Controls

The following observations, related to the Site's ICs, were noted at the time of the Site reconnaissance:

- The Site operates as Mativ papermill.
- No groundwater was observed being used at the property. No potable or groundwater supply wells were observed.
- No building or construction projects were being constructed at the property.
- No vegetable gardens or farming is being conducted at the property.

Review of Engineering Controls

The following observations, related to the ECs, were noted during the Site reconnaissance:

- The cover system, which consists of a mixture of landscaped areas, mowed lawn, asphalt and concrete pavement, gravel, and the concrete floor of the building is intact.

A Photo Log is provided in **Attachment C.**

5.0 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 Compliance with Site Management Plan

The requirements of the Site Management Plan appear to be satisfied.

5.2 Performance and Effectiveness of the Remedy

The cover system remains intact and continues to provide protection for human health and the environment, as designed.

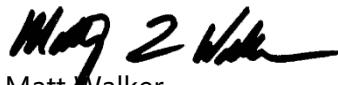
5.3 Future Monitoring, Sampling, and Submittals

Inspections will continue as outlined in the SMP, with the data provided in future PRRs.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at your convenience.

Sincerely,

C&S ENGINEERS, INC



Matt Walker
Managing Environmental Scientist



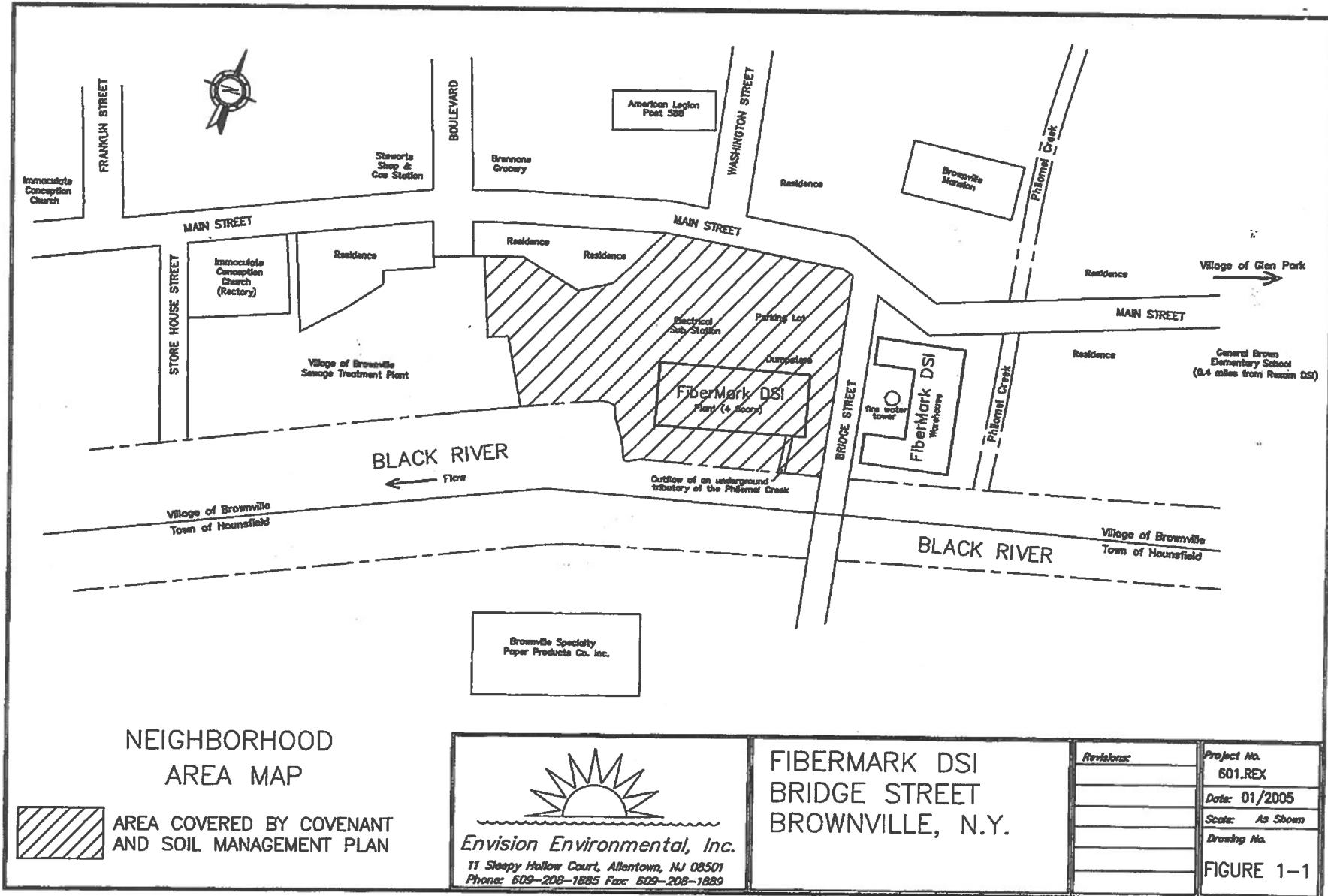
Jordan Berti
Sr. Project Engineer

Cc: Kari Mayzel - Mativ

Enclosures: Attachment A –Site Map
Attachment B – IC/EC Certification Form
Attachment C – Photo Log

Attachment A

Site Map



Attachment B

IC/EC Certification Form



Enclosure 2
NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
Site Management Periodic Review Report Notice
Institutional and Engineering Controls Certification Form

Site Details

Box 1

Site No. **V00525**

Mativ (Decorative Specialties Int Inc.)

Site Name **FiberMark DSI Inc. (Former REXAM DSI Inc.)**

101 Bridge Street, Brownville, Jefferson County, NY

Site Address: **Bridge St. (North side of Black River)** **Zip Code:** 13615-

City/Town: Brownville

County: Jefferson

Site Acreage: 3.800

Reporting Period: November 15, 2022 to June 15, 2025

YES **NO**

1. Is the information above correct?

If NO, include handwritten above or on a separate sheet.

2. Has some or all of the site property been sold, subdivided, merged, or undergone a tax map amendment during this Reporting Period?

3. Has there been any change of use at the site during this Reporting Period (see 6NYCRR 375-1.11(d))?

4. Have any federal, state, and/or local permits (e.g., building, discharge) been issued for or at the property during this Reporting Period?

If you answered YES to questions 2 thru 4, include documentation or evidence that documentation has been previously submitted with this certification form.

5. Is the site currently undergoing development?

Box 2

YES **NO**

6. Is the current site use consistent with the use(s) listed below?
Industrial

7. Are all ICs in place and functioning as designed?

IF THE ANSWER TO EITHER QUESTION 6 OR 7 IS NO, sign and date below and DO NOT COMPLETE THE REST OF THIS FORM. Otherwise continue.

A Corrective Measures Work Plan must be submitted along with this form to address these issues.

Signature of Owner, Remedial Party or Designated Representative

Date

SITE NO. V00525

Box 3

Description of Institutional Controls

<u>Parcel</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Institutional Control</u>
73.72-2-38	Fibermark (DSI)	Ground Water Use Restriction Soil Management Plan Landuse Restriction Site Management Plan IC/EC Plan
		Ground Water Use Restriction Soil Management Plan Landuse Restriction

A Deed Restriction and Site Management Plan were filed with the Jefferson County Clerks Office on April 12, 2007 (File Number: 2007-00006019). The SMP limits use of groundwater and requires that soils be handled appropriately if moved from the site or disturbed. Periodic reporting also is required to verify the status of the site.

Box 4

Description of Engineering Controls

<u>Parcel</u>	<u>Engineering Control</u>
73.72-2-38	Cover System

Periodic Review Report (PRR) Certification Statements

1. I certify by checking "YES" below that:

- a) the Periodic Review report and all attachments were prepared under the direction of, and reviewed by, the party making the Engineering Control certification;
- b) to the best of my knowledge and belief, the work and conclusions described in this certification are in accordance with the requirements of the site remedial program, and generally accepted engineering practices; and the information presented is accurate and complete.

YES NO

2. For each Engineering control listed in Box 4, I certify by checking "YES" below that all of the following statements are true:

- (a) The Engineering Control(s) employed at this site is unchanged since the date that the Control was put in-place, or was last approved by the Department;
- (b) nothing has occurred that would impair the ability of such Control, to protect public health and the environment;
- (c) access to the site will continue to be provided to the Department, to evaluate the remedy, including access to evaluate the continued maintenance of this Control;

- (d) nothing has occurred that would constitute a violation or failure to comply with the Site Management Plan for this Control; and
- (e) if a financial assurance mechanism is required by the oversight document for the site, the mechanism remains valid and sufficient for its intended purpose established in the document.

YES NO

IF THE ANSWER TO QUESTION 2 IS NO, sign and date below and DO NOT COMPLETE THE REST OF THIS FORM. Otherwise continue.

A Corrective Measures Work Plan must be submitted along with this form to address these issues.

Signature of Owner, Remedial Party or Designated Representative

Date

IC CERTIFICATIONS
SITE NO. V00525

Box 6

SITE OWNER OR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

I certify that all information and statements in Boxes 1,2, and 3 are true. I understand that a false statement made herein is punishable as a Class "A" misdemeanor, pursuant to Section 210.45 of the Penal Law.

1 Jonathan Ward at 101 Bridge Street, Brownville, NY 13615.
print name print business address

am certifying as Remedial Party (Owner or Remedial Party)

for the Site named in the Site Details Section of this form.

Jonathan Ward
Signature of Owner, Remedial Party, or Designated Representative
Rendering Certification

8/1/2025

EC CERTIFICATIONS

Box 7

Qualified Environmental Professional Signature

I certify that all information in Boxes 4 and 5 are true. I understand that a false statement made herein is punishable as a Class "A" misdemeanor, pursuant to Section 210.45 of the Penal Law.

I Nevin Bradford, P.E. at C&S Engineers, Inc., 499 Col. Eileen Collins Blvd., Syracuse, NY 13212
print name print business address

am certifying as a Qualified Environmental Professional for the Mativ (Decorative Specialties Int Inc.)
(Owner or Remedial Party)



Registration Expires: 04.31.2026

July 31, 2025

Signature of Qualified Environmental Professional, for
the Owner or Remedial Party, Rendering Certification

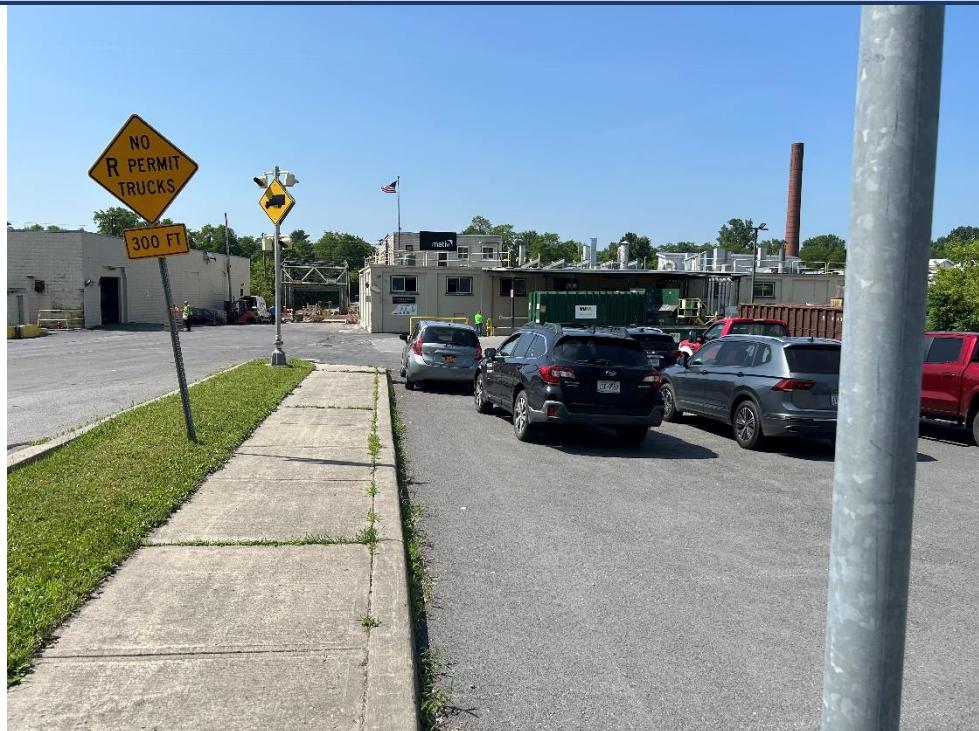
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(Required for PE)

Date

Attachment C

Photo Log

Photo 1



General property conditions facing south from southwest corner of E. Main St. and Bridge St.

Photo 2



General property conditions facing west from southwest corner of E. Main St. and Bridge St.



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Photographic Log

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PRR Annual Inspection

Photo 3



General condition of western property extent

Photo 4



General property condition facing south along Bridge Street



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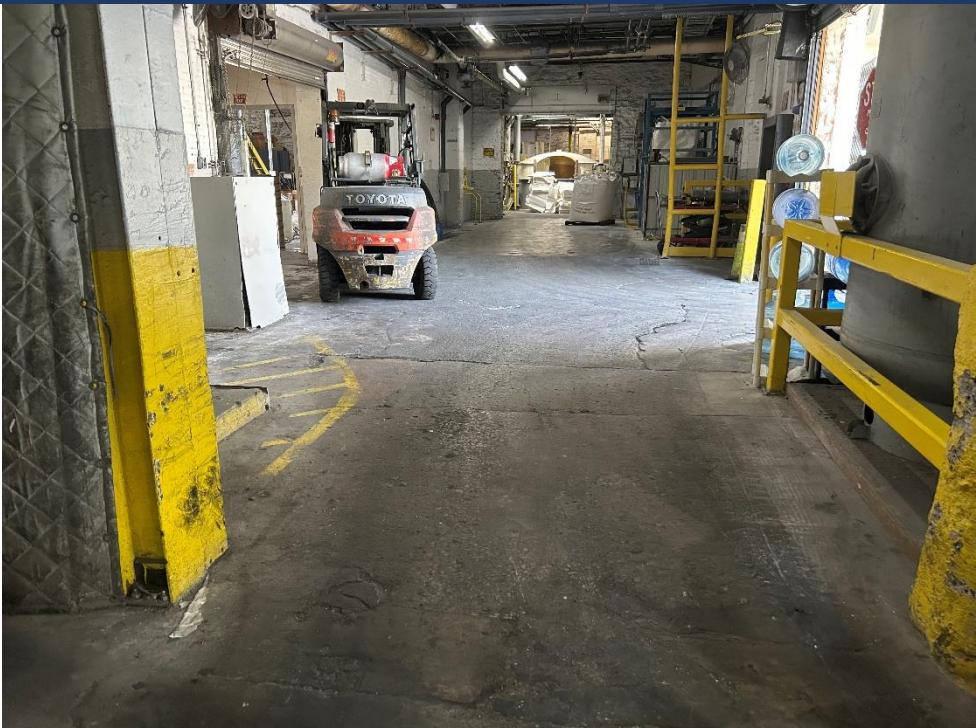
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Photo 5



General property condition facing east from main building exterior

Photo 6



General conditions inside main building



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