FACT SHEET
State Superfund Program

Love Cleaners
416 Clinton Street
Hempstead, NY 11550

SITE No. 130187
NYSDEC REGION 1

February 2019

No-Action Remedy Proposed for State Superfund Site; Public Comment Period and Public Meeting Announced

Public Meeting, Tuesday 3/19/19 at 7:00 PM
Hempstead Public Library, 115 Nichols Court, Hempstead, NY 11550

NYSDEC invites you to a public meeting to discuss the no-action remedy proposed for the site. You are encouraged to provide comments at the meeting, and during the 30-day comment period described in this fact sheet.

The public is invited to comment on the no-action remedy being proposed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) related to the Love Cleaners Site Operable Unit 2 (OU2): Off-site Structure Sampling-Vapor Intrusion Evaluation investigation. The Love Cleaners Superfund site (site), currently known as the “Laundry Palace,” is located at 416 Clinton Street, Village of Hempstead, Nassau County. Please see the map for the site location. Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the location(s) identified to the left under "Where to Find Information."

How to Comment: NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan for 30 days, from February 27, 2019 through March 29, 2019. The proposed plan is available for public review at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information." Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area at left.

The site is listed as a Class "2" site in the State Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Sites (list of State Superfund sites). A Class 2 site represents a significant threat to public health or the environment; action is required. A Record of Decision (ROD) was issued for the on-site (OU1) significant threat in 2016, requiring installation of a soil vapor intrusion mitigation system on the on-site building. The system was installed and activated in June 2017. The subject of this factsheet is to announce that the findings of a 2017-2018 off-site investigation (OU2) of potential impacts to nearby properties from site-related contamination has documented that no off-site action is necessary.

NYSDEC developed the proposed remedy after reviewing the detailed investigation of the site.
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**Next Steps:** NYSDEC will consider public comments as it finalizes the no-action remedy for the site. The selected remedy will be described in a document called a "Record of Decision" that will explain why the remedy was selected and respond to public comments. Once a Site Management Plan (SMP) is approved, NYSDEC will move to reclassify the site to Class 4: Remedial action is complete, but site management is required.

**Site Description:** The site is composed of a double lot whose combined size is approximately 83x106 feet, forming the northeast corner of Clinton Street and Lincoln Blvd. The one on-site building, a single-story, concrete block building comprising 4125 square feet and built in 1969, spans the entire rear of both lots and a paved parking lot for 8-10 cars covers the remainder of the site. The site operated as a dry cleaner (Love Cleaners) from approximately 1969 until 1999. Nassau County Department of Health Services documented disposal of tetrachloroethene (PCE), a dry cleaning solvent at the Site during a 1997 inspection. PCE contamination was detected in soils beneath a window where mist from a wastewater treatment machine was discharging and also in soils below a floor drain inside the building. The site was listed as a Class 2 inactive hazardous waste disposal site in May 2011 due to high levels of PCE in the soil vapor under the on-site building slab. A soil vapor intrusion mitigation system was installed on-site in 2017 as prescribed by the 2016 Record of Decision Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the Site ID, 130187) at: [http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/](http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/)

**Summary of the Investigation:** The contaminants of concern (COCs) at this site are chlorinated volatile organic compounds (CVOC), primarily tetrachloroethene (aka perc or PCE), a common dry cleaning solvent, and its breakdown product-trichloroethene (TCE). The media of concern is soil vapor and sub-slab soil vapor which could potentially migrate into the indoor air of overlying buildings- a process known as soil vapor intrusion (SVI). PCE was released to the environment at some time between 1969 and 1999 when the site operated as a dry cleaner. SVI evaluations of two nearby off-site structures were conducted in 2017 and 2018 to assess the potential for site-related contamination to impact the indoor air of these structures. Sample results indicate that no further action or monitoring is recommended.

**State Superfund Program:** New York's State Superfund Program (SSF) identifies and characterizes suspected inactive hazardous waste disposal sites. Sites that pose a significant threat to public health and/or the environment go through a process of investigation, evaluation, cleanup and monitoring. NYSDEC attempts to identify parties responsible for site contamination and require cleanup before committing State funds.

For more information about the SSF, visit: [http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html)

We encourage you to share this fact sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post this fact sheet in a prominent area of your building for others to see.

**Receive Site Fact Sheets by Email**
Have site information such as this fact sheet sent right to your email inbox. NYSDEC invites you to sign up with one or more contaminated sites county email listservs at: [www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html)

It’s quick, it’s free, 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.