



PROJECT FACT SHEET

Remedial Investigation NYSDEC Site Number 1-30-115 United Stellar Industries Property 131 Sunnyside Boulevard - Plainview, New York December 2009

The former United Stellar Industries Property (site) is located at 131 Sunnyside Boulevard, Plainview, NY and has been designated an Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Site by the NYSDEC and has been assigned site number 1-30-115. The site is 3.3 acres and currently contains one building. The boundary of the site is "L" shaped. To the south, a portion of the site is bounded by Terminal Drive. The location of the United Stellar Industries Site is shown on the attached Figure.

The site is also located on the western side of but within the Plainview Industrial Park (140 acres). The Industrial Park has been assigned NYSDEC Site No. 1-30-104 due to groundwater contamination (primarily in the eastern part of the Park) that may have been the source of groundwater contamination detected in a Plainview Water District public supply well. Many of the sites within the Industrial Park are in various stages of environmental investigation/remediation.

United Stellar Industries, Corp. and its successor company Equine-Stellar Corp. occupied the subject property from the late 1950s until the company's closure in 2002. Initially two separate buildings occupied the site, a single story shop and office area near Sunnyside Boulevard, and a second two-story office building near Terminal Drive. Following a series of expansions to the Sunnyside building in the 1960's, the two buildings were joined. In early 2005, the building was gutted and the configuration of the building revised to the single story structure present today at 131 Sunnyside Boulevard. The property was used for the manufacture of metal parts for the aerospace industry, bicycles, and other metal structures. During the manufacturing process, hazardous materials were used to degrease the metals parts and to subsequently paint those parts.

Since 2002, various onsite investigations and remedial actions have been performed at the site in response to the detection of degreasing chemicals found in some onsite soils, in soil vapor (the air space that occupies the voids between the impacted grains of soil), and in perched water (water in the subsurface [approximately 90 feet underground] that occupies the space between soil grains) beneath a portion of the site. All of the investigative and remedial actions taken at the site have been approved by the NYSDEC. Note that any drinking water supplied to the public undergoes routine testing and monitoring to ensure it meets drinking water standards. In addition, there is no evidence that suggests that degreasing chemicals from the site have impacted public water supply wells. The activities that have been conducted are documented in various reports and summarized in a report written in 2009 by the environmental/engineering firm ARCADIS, titled "Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Work Plan, United Stellar Industries Property." A public repository for documents related to the site has been

established at the Plainview-Old Bethpage Public Library located at 999 Old Country Road. The 2009 ARCADIS report has been placed in the repository.

To further investigate conditions at and near the site, the NYSDEC has ordered that a Remedial Investigation be conducted. Such an investigation is meant to investigate contamination and determine the nature and extent of the contamination caused by the disposal or discharge at the site. Therefore, site investigative activities will be conducted in the vicinity of the site in 2010. The goal of the investigation is to determine the extent of any offsite contamination that may exist in perched water (approximately 90 feet beneath the ground surface), and to define the extent of any soil gas contamination that may extend beyond the footprint of the onsite structure. All activities conducted and investigative methods to be used have been approved by the NYSDEC.

Work will be going on at the former United Stellar Industries Site and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation wants you to know that...

Remedial Investigation (RI) activities associated with the former United Stellar Industries Site are scheduled to start in early 2010. The RI activities will be performed by ARCADIS of Melville, New York, on behalf of 131 Sunnyside LLC and Gertrude Discount.

This work will be conducted according to plans that have been approved by the NYSDEC. All work to be performed and methods used are approved by the NYSDEC. Following the completion of the RI, a report will be prepared and will be available at the public repository (Plainview-Old Bethpage Public Library).

What activities are being done? ARCADIS will be sampling existing onsite wells and drilling and sampling onsite soil vapor points. ARCADIS will also be drilling, installing, and sampling monitoring wells located in several adjacent offsite areas.

How long will this work take? The RI activities are scheduled to start in early 2010 and are expected to be completed by mid 2010; however, the work at any particular sampling location will be of a much shorter duration.

What schedule will be followed? The activities will take place Monday to Friday between the hours of 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. The work day may be extended beyond 5 p.m. as necessary to complete activities, but will be limited to the extent reasonable.

What type of equipment will be used? Equipment used will include trucks, drilling rig, portable water containers, and sampling equipment. The drilling rig will remain at each well location until the well installation is complete. Soil, water, and incidental waste generated from the work will be staged at an appropriate area on the former United Stellar Industries Site property. The work is being conducted by trained personnel in accordance with an approved Health and Safety Plan (HASP). The HASP can be found within the approved Work Plan, on file at the Site repository (Plainview Public Library, located on Old Country Road in Plainview).

What will we do to ensure the work site is secure and safe? Air quality will be monitored continuously during investigation activities and dust suppression methods will be used, as necessary.

Any questions or comments? If you have any questions about this work please call Mr. Nathan Putnam or Mr. William Fonda of the NYSDEC, or Mr. Steven Karpinski of the New York State Department of Health, using the contact information provided below.

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