



**Dear Interested Citizen:**

This Fact Sheet provides an update on activities at this site. On March 26 2001 the Record of Decision was signed by the Department. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact:

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# FACT SHEET

Former Hudson MGP Site  
Site No. 4-11-055  
March 2001

## Record of Decision for Operable Unit 1: Former Hudson MGP Site Issued.

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), are pleased to announce the selection of a remedy for Operable Unit No. 1: at the Former Hudson Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) Site. The site is located on Water Street on the east bank of the Hudson River in the City of Hudson, Columbia County, New York

The remedy selected by the NYSDEC Record of Decision (ROD) addresses the former coal gasification plant whose operation has resulted in the on-site disposal of hazardous waste and hazardous substances. These contaminants, consisting of coal tar and its various constituents, resulted in soil, groundwater and Hudson River embayment #1 sediment contamination. The selected remedy is outlined in the ROD which also summarizes site investigations, remedial alternatives evaluated by the State, and comments received from the public about the plan. The remedy selected by the ROD for this site includes:

- ▶ Excavation and removal of approximately 10,000 cubic yards of contaminated soil and coal tar from former gas holders and other locations determined to be source areas, including pipes and bedding materials adjacent to embayment #1;
- ▶ Removal of the top 10 feet of contaminated sediments from embayment #1. If mobile NAPL impacted materials are visually observed beyond the proposed depth of excavation, these materials would be removed, to the extent feasible;
- ▶ Replacement of sediment to pre-removal contours, with the upper 3 feet restored with materials similar to the native materials removed, to provide a suitable habitat for benthic invertebrate colonization. Following the replacement of the sediment, the upper 3 feet of sediment will be sampled to verify and ensure that the replaced sediments have a total PAH value of less than 4 parts per million (ppm);

- ▶ Installation of collection wells (if determined necessary) in the areas of the former gas holders for the recovery of any residual DNAPL that may not be removed by excavation; and
- ▶ Deed restrictions to ensure non-residential use of the property, prevent use of groundwater and provide notification to future site construction workers regarding possible MGP residuals in the subsurface. In addition, a long-term monitoring plan would be implemented.

**Site Description:** The site is located on Water Street on the east bank of the Hudson River in the City of Hudson, Columbia County, New York (see Figure 1). The site consists of approximately two acres of land on two lots identified as lots 15 and 16.2 on Figure 2, which are divided by Water Street. The former coal gasification plant was located on the eastern parcel. The site is bounded on the north by a vacant lot, formerly an inactive oil storage facility (Best Oil Terminal), on the east by CSX Transportation, Inc rail lines; on the south by a CSX maintenance yard and on the west by the Hudson River. The former manufactured gas plant (MGP) was operated on the eastern half of the site from approximately 1853 to 1949. This portion of the site, and the former plant building are currently used by SBD Warehouse/Dunn Builders Supply as a warehouse for lumber and building supplies.

Operable Unit No. 1, which is the subject of this ROD, consists of the former MGP site (lots 15 and 16.2), including embayment #1 of the Hudson River. An Operable Unit represents a portion of the site which can be addressed separately to eliminate or mitigate a release, threat of release or exposure pathway resulting from the site contamination. The remaining operable unit for this site is Operable Unit 2, which includes Hudson River and embayment #2 sediments, which are potentially impacted by migration of on-site contaminants resulting from the operation of the former MGP.

**Next Step:** Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, the responsible party will design and implement the remedy. The State will provide additional updates as the project progresses. The State will also update you when the investigation and testing are complete for the remaining Operable Unit #2.

**For More Information:** Two locations have been established as document repositories to provide you with access to project information. The ROD as well as other documents relevant to the site are available for review at the following locations:

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If you have any questions, please contact the State representatives listed in the box on the first page of this fact sheet. You can also contact the NYSDEC, **toll-free**, by dialing 1 (800) 342-9296. Please leave your name, number and a message, and a Department representative will return your call.

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