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Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator and at these location(s):

Central Library of Rochester and Monroe
County Reynolds Information Center
115 South Avenue
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DECinfo Locator:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/828107/>

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For more information about New York's State Superfund Program, visit:

www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html

FACT SHEET

State Superfund Program

Former Raeco Products

24 Spencer Street
Rochester, NY 14608

SITE No. 828107

NYSDEC REGION 8

July 2022

Cleanup Action to Begin at State Superfund Site

Action is about to begin that will address contamination related to the Former Raeco Products site ("Site") located at 24 Spencer Street, Rochester, Monroe County under New York's State Superfund Program. Please see the map for the Site location. The cleanup activities will be performed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC).

Remedial activities are expected to begin in July 2022 and last about 16 months. The estimated cost to implement the remedy is \$1,220,000. 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.

- Access project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/828107/>.
- Documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to find information."

Highlights of the Upcoming Cleanup Activities: The goal of the cleanup action for the site is to achieve cleanup levels that protect public health and the environment. The key components of the remedy are:

- Upgrades to the existing Soil Vapor Extraction (SVE) system, which will expand the system's treatment area. The purpose of the SVE system is to remove volatile organic compounds (VOCs) from the subsurface.
- Construction of a cover system to allow for commercial use of the Site in areas where the upper one foot of exposed surface soil will exceed the applicable restricted commercial use Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs). The cover will be designed to provide a suitable surface for any traffic or future commercial use at the Site. In areas where a vegetated soil cover is required, it will be a minimum of one foot of clean soil, meeting the SCOs.
- An institutional control in the form of an environmental notice is currently established at the Site. Future institutional controls will include the recording of an Environmental Easement to control future land use and to ensure implementation of the Site Management Plan.

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A Site-specific health and safety plan (HASP) and a Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) will be implemented during remediation activities. The HASP and CAMP establish procedures to protect on-site workers and residents and includes required air monitoring as well as dust and odor suppression measures.

Next Steps: After cleanup activities are completed, NYSDEC will prepare a Final Engineering Report (FER). The FER will describe the cleanup activities completed and certify that cleanup requirements have been achieved or will be achieved.

NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the cleanup of the Site.

Site Description: The Site is located at 24 Spencer Street, City of Rochester, New York and is identified as SBL 105.52-1-13 on the City of Rochester Tax map. The Site is 3.4 acres of commercial land adjacent to the Genesee River to the East and is currently used to store equipment and vehicles. Four buildings are present on the Site. From the 1930s through 1987, the Site was reportedly owned and operated by John H. Rae, Inc (Raeco) as a bulk storage, blending, packaging and distribution facility for chemicals and petroleum products.

The remedy allows land use and development of the controlled property for commercial or industrial use.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, 828107) at:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/xtapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3>

Summary of the Investigation: The primary contaminants of concern at the Site are volatile organic compounds (VOCs), semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), and metals. Chlorinated VOCs (CVOCs) and petroleum-derived VOCs are found Site-wide in soils and groundwater. Metals were detected above SCO levels sporadically across the Site.

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:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html>

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www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

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DECinfo Locator

Interactive map to access DEC documents and public data about the environmental quality of specific sites:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/109457.html>

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