

### Where to Find Information

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For more information about New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program, visit: www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html

## **FACT SHEET**

**Brownfield Cleanup Program** 

Former Universal Scrap Metal Processors Corp. 1181 Flushing Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11237

January 2024

SITE No. C224210 NYSDEC REGION 2

### **NYSDEC Certifies Cleanup Requirements Achieved** at Brownfield Site

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) has determined that the cleanup requirements to address contamination related to the Former Universal Scrap Metal Processors Corp. site ("site") located at 1181 Flushing Avenue, Brooklyn, NY under New York State's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) have been. Please see the map for the site location.

The cleanup activities were performed by 25C LLC and Flushing Stewart LLC ("applicants") with oversight provided by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). NYSDEC has approved a Final Engineering Report (FER) and issued a Certificate of Completion (COC) for the site.

- Access the FER, Notice of COC and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224210/.
- The documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information."

**Completion of the Project:** The following activities have been completed to achieve the remedial action objectives:

- Excavation Excavation and off-site disposal of approximately 16,400 tons of petroleum-impacted and contaminated historic fill material across the site to allow for unrestricted use of the site. Clean fill was brought in to replace the excavated soil and to establish the design grades at the site;
- Collection and analysis of confirmation soil samples to evaluate the effectiveness of the remedy;
- Evaluation of post-excavation groundwater quality to confirm remedial objectives were met; and
- Completing a soil vapor intrusion evaluation.

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**Final Engineering Report Approved:** NYSDEC has approved the FER, which:

- 1) Describes the cleanup activities completed.
- 2) Certifies that cleanup requirements have been achieved for the site.

**Next Steps:** With its receipt of a COC, the applicants are eligible to redevelop the site. In addition, the applicants are eligible for tax credits to offset the costs of performing cleanup activities and for redevelopment of the site. A COC may be modified or revoked if, for example, there is a failure to comply with the terms of the order or agreement with NYSDEC.

Site Description: The 0.502-acre site is located at 1181 Flushing Avenue in Brooklyn and is a portion of Block 2994, Lot 75 on the NYC Tax map. The site was used as a railroad freight yard from about 1888 until the 1950s or 1960s. After the 1950s/1960s it was used as a filling station and for automotive repair until 2007. In January 2006, eleven underground storage tanks and petroleum-impacted soil was removed under NYSDEC Spill No. 0510000. The site was most recently used as a scrap metal and vehicle dismantling facility from 2007 through 2014.

The on-site buildings were demolished in 2015 and a nine-story commercial building with a hotel and office is under construction.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C224210) at:

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**Brownfield** Cleanup York's **Program:** New Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) encourages the voluntary cleanup of contaminated properties known as "brownfields" so that they can be reused and redeveloped. These uses may include recreation, housing, business or other uses. A brownfield site is any real property where a contaminant is present at levels exceeding the soil cleanup objectives or other health-based environmental standards, criteria or guidance adopted by NYSDEC that are applicable based on the reasonably anticipated use of the property, in accordance with applicable regulations.

For more information about the BCP, visit: https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.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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