# **DECISION DOCUMENT**

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## **DECLARATION STATEMENT - DECISION DOCUMENT**

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## **Statement of Purpose and Basis**

This document presents the remedy for the Former Carter Spray Finishing Corp. brownfield cleanup site. The remedial program was chosen in accordance with the New York State Environmental Conservation Law and Title 6 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York (6 NYCRR) Part 375.

This decision is based on the Administrative Record of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (the Department) for the Former Carter Spray Finishing Corp. site and the public's input to the proposed remedy presented by the Department.

## **Description of Selected Remedy**

The elements of the selected remedy are as follows:

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## **Declaration**

The remedy conforms with promulgated standards and criteria that are directly applicable, or that are relevant and appropriate and takes into consideration Department guidance, as appropriate. The remedy is protective of public health and the environment.

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### **SECTION 1: SUMMARY AND PURPOSE**

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (the Department), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), has selected a remedy for the above referenced site. The disposal of contaminants at the site has resulted in threats to public health and the environment that would be addressed by the remedy. The disposal or release of contaminants at this site, as more fully described in this document, has contaminated various environmental media. Contaminants include hazardous waste and/or petroleum.

The New York State Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) is a voluntary program. The goal of the BCP is to enhance private-sector cleanups of brownfields and to reduce development pressure on "greenfields." A brownfield site is real property, where a contaminant is present at levels exceeding the soil cleanup objectives or other health-based or environmental standards, criteria or guidance, based on the reasonably anticipated use of the property.

The Department has issued this document in accordance with the requirements of New York State Environmental Conservation Law and 6 NYCRR Part 375. This document is a summary of the information that can be found in the site-related reports and documents.

### **SECTION 2: CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

The Department seeks input from the community on all remedies. A public comment period was held, during which the public was encouraged to submit comment on the proposed remedy. All comments on the remedy received during the comment period were considered by the Department in selecting a remedy for the site. Site-related reports and documents were made available for review by the public at the following document repositories:

DECInfo Locator - Web Application <a href="https://gisservices.dec.ny.gov/gis/dil/index.html?rs=C224218">https://gisservices.dec.ny.gov/gis/dil/index.html?rs=C224218</a>

Brooklyn Public Library - Greenpoint Branch 107 Norman Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11222 Phone: 718-349-8504

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Phone: 718-389-0009

## **Receive Site Citizen Participation Information By Email**

Please note that the Department's Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) is "going paperless" relative to citizen participation information. The ultimate goal is to distribute citizen participation information about contaminated sites electronically by way of county email listservs. Information will be distributed for all sites that are being investigated and cleaned up in a particular county under the State Superfund Program, Environmental Restoration Program, Brownfield Cleanup Program and Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Program. We encourage the public to sign up for one or more county listservs at <a href="http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html">http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html</a>.

## **SECTION 3: SITE DESCRIPTION AND HISTORY**

Location: The 0.23-acre site is located at 65 Eckford Street in the Greenpoint section of Brooklyn, Kings County and is identified as Block 2698, Lot 26 on the New York City tax map. The site is bounded to the north by a four-story residential building; to the east by Eckford Street followed by residential apartment buildings; to the south by a residential apartment building currently in construction; and to the west by a four-story residential building and a one-story industrial building.

Site Features: The site is an irregular shaped vacant lot that is partially excavated due to an incomplete prior remedial effort, described in Section 6.2 Interim Remedial Measures, below.

Current Zoning: The land is currently located within a MX-8 Special Mixed-Use District (MX) and zoned as M1-2/R6A for "medium-density apartment house districts," which allows for residential use.

Past Use of the Site: The site was developed in 1905 and improved with several one-story manufacturing buildings occupied by the Meisel Danowitz & Co. woodworking operation. The site was redeveloped by 1916 with a one to two-story building and had been utilized by several industrial operations including a machine shop, wood box manufacturing facility, automobile parking garage and metal finishing facility. The site was occupied by the Carter Spray Finishing Corporation from 1960 to 2008, which used the building for metal finishing and spraying. Records indicate that the former metals finishing facility utilized two 275-gallon aboveground storage tanks that contained trichloroethene (TCE) and were located in the northeast portion of the site. The building was razed, and the site cleared in 2015.

Site Geology and Hydrogeology: The site was previously excavated to a depth of six feet below sidewalk grade. Site stratigraphy consists of urban fill generally consisting of brown to dark brown, medium to fine silty sand with varying amounts of loose gravel, asphalt, brick, cinders, and plastic, which was observed from the current grade to depths extending approximately eight to nine feet below sidewalk grade. The urban fill layer is underlain by a native layer consisting of gray to dark

DECISION DOCUMENT Former Carter Spray Finishing Corp., Site No. C224218 gray medium to fine silty sand with varying amounts of coarse sand and clay to depths extending approximately 16 to 17 feet below sidewalk grade. Following this native layer was an organic/peat layer observed up to the terminus depth of each soil boring, ranging from 20 to 21 feet below sidewalk grade. According to the United States Geographical Survey (USGS) topographic map for the area (Brooklyn Quadrangle), the elevation of the property is about 14 feet above mean sea level. The area topography gradually slopes downward to the north and west.

Groundwater is present beneath the site at a depth of 12 to 13 feet below sidewalk grade. Regional groundwater flow is to the west-northwest.

A site location map is attached as Figure 1.

### **SECTION 4: LAND USE AND PHYSICAL SETTING**

The Department may consider the current, intended, and reasonably anticipated future land use of the site and its surroundings when evaluating a remedy for soil remediation. For this site, an alternative that restricts the use of the site to restricted-residential use (which allows for commercial use and industrial use) as described in Part 375-1.8(g) was evaluated in addition to an alternative which would allow for unrestricted use of the site.

A comparison of the results of the Remedial Investigation (RI) against unrestricted use standards, criteria and guidance values (SCGs) for the site contaminants is available in the RI Report.

### **SECTION 5: ENFORCEMENT STATUS**

The Applicant under the Brownfield Cleanup Agreement is a Volunteer. The Volunteer does not have an obligation to address off-site contamination. The Department has determined that this site poses a significant threat to human health and the environment; accordingly, enforcement actions are necessary.

The Department will seek to identify any parties (other than the Volunteer) known or suspected to be responsible for contamination at or emanating from the site, referred to as Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs). The Department will bring an enforcement action against the PRPs. If an enforcement action cannot be brought or does not result in the initiation of a remedial program by any PRPs, the Department will evaluate the off-site contamination for action under the State Superfund. The PRPs are subject to legal actions by the State for recovery of all response costs the State incurs or has incurred.

#### **SECTION 6: SITE CONTAMINATION**

#### 6.1: **Summary of the Remedial Investigation**

A remedial investigation (RI) serves as the mechanism for collecting data to:

- characterize site conditions;
- determine the nature of the contamination; and

DECISION DOCUMENT October 2022 Former Carter Spray Finishing Corp., Site No. C224218 Page 7 assess risk to human health and the environment.

The RI is intended to identify the nature (or type) of contamination which may be present at a site and the extent of that contamination in the environment on the site or leaving the site. The RI reports on data gathered to determine if the soil, groundwater, soil vapor, indoor air, surface water or sediments may have been contaminated. Monitoring wells are installed to assess groundwater and soil borings or test pits are installed to sample soil and/or waste(s) identified. If other natural resources are present, such as surface water bodies or wetlands, the water and sediment may be sampled as well. Based on the presence of contaminants in soil and groundwater, soil vapor will also be sampled for the presence of contamination. Data collected in the RI influence the development of remedial alternatives. The RI reports are available for review in the site document repository and the results are summarized in section 6.3.

The analytical data collected on this site includes data for:

- groundwater
- soil
- soil vapor

## 6.1.1: Standards, Criteria, and Guidance (SCGs)

The remedy must conform to promulgated standards and criteria that are directly applicable or that are relevant and appropriate. The selection of a remedy must also take into consideration guidance, as appropriate. Standards, Criteria and Guidance are hereafter called SCGs.

To determine whether the contaminants identified in various media are present at levels of concern, the data from the RI were compared to media-specific SCGs. The Department has developed SCGs for groundwater, surface water, sediments, and soil. The NYSDOH has developed SCGs for drinking water and soil vapor intrusion. For a full listing of all SCGs see: <a href="http://www.dec.ny.gov/regulations/61794.html">http://www.dec.ny.gov/regulations/61794.html</a>.

#### **6.1.2: RI Results**

The data have identified contaminants of concern. A "contaminant of concern" is a contaminant that is sufficiently present in frequency and concentration in the environment to require evaluation for remedial action. Not all contaminants identified on the property are contaminants of concern. The nature and extent of contamination and environmental media requiring action are summarized below. Additionally, the RI Report contains a full discussion of the data. The contaminants of concern identified at this site are:

benzo(a)anthracene benzo(b)fluoranthene cis-1,2-dichloroethene chrysene tetrachloroethene (PCE) n-propylbenzene lead vinyl chloride benzo(a)pyrene chloroethane trichloroethene (TCE) isopropylbenzene arsenic mercury The contaminants of concern exceed the applicable SCGs for:

- groundwater
- soil

## **6.2:** <u>Interim Remedial Measures</u>

An interim remedial measure (IRM) is conducted at a site when a source of contamination or exposure pathway can be effectively addressed before issuance of the Decision Document.

The following IRM has been completed at this site based on conditions observed during the RI.

#### Site Excavation

An IRM was commenced to install a secant pile wall around the site perimeter, which will remain onsite, to hydraulically control groundwater migration and facilitate the excavation of contaminated soils below the water table. A secant pile wall is an interlocked series of individually drilled reinforced concrete piles which overlap to form a continuous, water-tight underground wall. It serves as a retaining wall during soil removal and inhibits groundwater infiltration onto the site. The secant pile wall at the site consists of 292 piles, each two feet in diameter and drilled to a depth of forty feet below ground. The wall was completed; however, the soil excavation was only partially completed to a depth of approximately five to six feet below grade. 6,458 tons of soil were removed and properly disposed of off-site. As the soil excavation was only partially completed, soil cleanup objectives (SCOs) were not achieved.

### **6.3:** Summary of Environmental Assessment

This section summarizes the assessment of existing and potential future environmental impacts presented by the site. Environmental impacts may include existing and potential future exposure pathways to fish and wildlife receptors, wetlands, groundwater resources, and surface water. The RI report presents a detailed discussion of any existing and potential impacts from the site to fish and wildlife receptors.

### Nature and Extent of Contamination:

Soil and groundwater were analyzed for volatile organic compounds (VOCs), semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), metals, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), and pesticides. Soil vapor samples were analyzed for VOCs. Based upon the results of the investigations conducted to date, the primary contaminants of concern at the site are metals: arsenic, lead and mercury and semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) [primarily polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)], which are present site-wide in historic fill material and deeper soil. Petroleum-related VOCs and chlorinated VOCs are present in groundwater at levels above NYS groundwater standards. High levels of chlorinated VOCs were documented in on-site soil vapor samples.

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#### Soils:

Metals, SVOCs and/or VOCs were detected in soil samples at levels above unrestricted use SCOs (UUSCOs) and/or protection of groundwater SCOs (PGWSCOs), in the majority of samples throughout the site. Contamination sitewide ranges from the surface to approximately 20-feet below grade.

VOCs exceeding PGWSCOs include TCE at a maximum concentration of 0.5 parts per million (ppm) compared to the PGWSCO of 0.47 ppm and cis-1,2-dichloroethene at up to 0.33 ppm (PGSCO 0.25 ppm). Isopropylbenzene, n-propylbenzene, chloroethane and vinyl chloride were either not detected or detected below their respective UUSCOs and PGWSCOs. Vinyl chloride was detected in one soil sample at 0.00037 ppm, well below its UUSCO of 0.02 ppm. PCE was not detected in soil samples.

Metals detected above UUSCOs include arsenic at a maximum concentration of 40.2 parts per million (ppm), exceeding its UUSCO of 13 ppm; lead at up to 2,790 ppm (UUSCO 63 ppm) and mercury at up to 73.1 ppm (UUSCO 0.18 ppm).

SVOCs exceeding UUSCOs include benzo(a)anthracene at a maximum concentration of 3.4 ppm, exceeding its UUSCO of 1 ppm, benzo(a)pyrene at up to 2.7 ppm (UUSCO 1 ppm), chrysene at up to 6.6 ppm (UUSCO 1 ppm) and benzo(b)fluoranthene at up to 3.7 ppm (UUSCO 1 ppm).

Data does not indicate off-site impacts in soil related to this site.

#### Groundwater:

Several VOCs were detected in groundwater samples at concentrations above the New York State Ambient Water Quality Standards (AWQS). Isopropylbenzene at up to 100 ppb (AWQS 5 ppb); n-propylbenzene at up to 130 ppb (AWQS 5 ppb), cis-1,2-dichloroethene at 69 ppb (AWQS 5 ppb); chloroethane at up to 130 ppb (AWQS 5 ppb); trichloroethene at up to 6.2 ppb (AWQS 5 ppb); and vinyl chloride at 51 ppb (AWQS 2 ppb).

For metals, iron, manganese and sodium exceeded AWQS in the majority of groundwater samples. However, these metals are naturally occurring in areawide groundwater and are not indicative of site-related contamination.

For the PFAS compounds, perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) was detected in all five groundwater monitoring wells at values ranging from 27 parts per trillion (ppt) up to 110 ppt. Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS) was detected in groundwater up to 4.01 ppt at the site. The maximum contaminant level, or MCL (drinking water standard) for both compounds is 10 ppt. However, groundwater in this area is not used as drinking water. The highest PFOA detections were in wells on the upgradient side of the site. The sitewide presence of PFAS indicates an areawide groundwater condition that is not specifically site-related.

1,4-Dioxane was detected in two monitoring wells at a maximum concentration of 2.78 ppb, exceeding the MCL of 1 ppb. Both detections were in wells on the upgradient areas of the site.

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### Soil Vapor:

Chlorinated VOCs were detected in all soil vapor samples throughout the site. The highest chlorinated VOC detections were all at one sample location, SV-05: TCE was detected at up to 9,670 micrograms per cubic meter (ug/m<sup>3</sup>), cis-1,2-dichloroethene at up to 2,750 ug/m<sup>3</sup>, PCE up to 171 ug/m<sup>3</sup> and vinyl chloride at up to 177 ug/m<sup>3</sup>.

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#### 6.4: **Summary of Human Exposure Pathways**

This human exposure assessment identifies ways in which people may be exposed to site-related contaminants. Chemicals can enter the body through three major pathways (breathing, touching or swallowing). This is referred to as *exposure*.

The site is completely fenced, which restricts public access. However, persons who enter the site could contact contaminants in the soil by walking on the site, digging or otherwise disturbing the soil. Contaminated groundwater at the site is not used for drinking or other purposes and the site is served by a public water supply that obtains water from a different source not affected by this contamination. Volatile organic compounds in soil vapor (air spaces within the soil) may move into buildings and affect the indoor air quality. This process, which is similar to the movement of radon gas from the subsurface into the indoor air of buildings, is referred to as soil vapor intrusion. Currently there are no occupied buildings on the site, so soil vapor intrusion does not represent a current concern. However, the potential exists for the inhalation of site contaminants due to soil vapor intrusion for any future on-site development. In addition, the potential exists for the inhalation of site contaminants due to soil vapor intrusion for off-site buildings.

#### 6.5: **Summary of the Remediation Objectives**

The objectives for the remedial program have been established through the remedy selection process stated in 6 NYCRR Part 375. The goal for the remedial program is to restore the site to pre-disposal conditions to the extent feasible. At a minimum, the remedy shall eliminate or mitigate all significant threats to public health and the environment presented by the contamination identified at the site through the proper application of scientific and engineering principles.

The remedial action objectives for this site are:

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#### **RAOs for Public Health Protection**

- Prevent ingestion of groundwater with contaminant levels exceeding drinking water standards.
- Prevent contact with, or inhalation of volatiles, from contaminated groundwater.

#### **RAOs for Environmental Protection**

- Restore ground water aquifer to pre-disposal/pre-release conditions, to the extent practicable.
- Remove the source of ground or surface water contamination.

### Soil

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- Prevent ingestion/direct contact with contaminated soil.
- Prevent inhalation of or exposure from contaminants volatilizing from contaminants in soil.

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• Prevent migration of contaminants that would result in groundwater or surface water contamination.

### Soil Vapor

### **RAOs for Public Health Protection**

• Mitigate impacts to public health resulting from existing, or the potential for, soil vapor intrusion into buildings at a site.

## **SECTION 7: ELEMENTS OF THE SELECTED REMEDY**

The alternatives developed for the site and the evaluation of the remedial criteria are presented in the Alternative Analysis. The remedy is selected pursuant to the remedy selection criteria set forth in DER-10, Technical Guidance for Site Investigation and Remediation and 6 NYCRR Part 375.

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