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# **FACT SHEET**

# Brownfield Cleanup Program

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**Site Name:** Former Carter Spray Finishing Corp.

**DEC Site #:** C224218

**Address:** 65 Eckford Street

Brooklyn, NY 11222

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Below

## Interim Remedial Measure Proposed; Public Comment Period Announced

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) is proposing an expedited cleanup for the Former Carter Spray Finishing Corp. site ("site") located at 65 Eckford Street, Brooklyn, NY. Please see the map for the site location. Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the location(s) identified below under "Where to Find Information." NYSDEC is conducting a public comment period because this Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) is likely to represent a significant part of the cleanup for this site.

#### **How to Comment**

NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed IRM work plan for 30 days, from **November 17, 2015** through **December 17, 2015**. The proposed plan is available for review at the location(s) identified below under "Where to Find Information." Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area below.

#### **Draft Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan**

An IRM is a cleanup activity that may be performed when a source of contamination or exposure pathway (the way in which a person may contact contamination) can be effectively addressed without extensive investigation and evaluation.

The draft IRM work plan describes the proposed cleanup activities that include:

The IRM will consist of the excavation and disposal of all soil at the site to a depth of 12 feet below grade, with additional excavation to 15 feet within the area with petroleum impacts. Contaminated soils and historic fill materials will be disposed off-site. Excavated native soils meeting clean-up objectives may be re-used on-site. Final excavation depth, length, and width will be determined in the field and will depend on the extent of contamination as identified through physical examination and confirmatory sampling.

The IRM will also include the removal of one or more Underground Storage Tanks (USTs).

Further details regarding the IRM are provided in the draft IRM Work Plan.

Summary of the Investigation

A Remedial Investigation (RI) is to be completed at the site in order to determine the nature and extent of contamination. The RI will consist of the following:

- The installation of 10 soil borings to delineate the extent of soil impacts;
- The installation of 8 monitoring wells and the collection of groundwater samples to assess groundwater impacts; and
- The installation of 7 soil gas implants to assess volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in soil gas.

A Fact Sheet for the RI has been released for public comment.

#### **Next Steps**

NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the plan as necessary, and approve the IRM work plan in consultation with New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH). The approved work plan will be made available to the public (see "Where to Find Information" below). After the work plan is approved, the activities detailed in the work plan will be implemented. Upon completion of the work, a Construction Completion Report will be prepared that documents the activities that were performed.

NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

#### **Background**

Location: The site is located at 65 Eckford Street in the Greenpoint section of Brooklyn, NY. The site is approximately 0.23 acres in size.

Site Features: The site is an irregular shaped lot and is developed with a one and two-story industrial/manufacturing building.

Current Zoning: The site was rezoned in 2005 from M1-2 Industrial to M1-2/R6B Residential.

Historical Use: The site was undeveloped prior to 1887. By 1905 several one-story manufacturing buildings were constructed on the site and used as a part of the Meisel Danowitz & Co. woodworking operation. The site was redeveloped by 1916 with the existing one and two-story building currently constructed at the site. The center portion of the building was used as a parking garage for 30 cars, the rear of the building was used as a machine shop, and the front portion of the building was vacant. By 1942, the Eckford Garage utilized the entire building for parking of up to 40 cars. By 1950 the building was occupied with a wood box manufacturing company, and a company that performed lacquer spraying on the 2nd floor. From 1960 to 1989 the building was used for metal finishing and spraying.

Site Geology and Hydrogeology: Long Island's geology consists of crystalline bedrock overlain by layers of unconsolidated deposits. Per United States Geologic Survey (USGS) maps, the bedrock in the Brooklyn area is an igneous intrusive classified as the Ravenswood grano-diorite of middle Ordovician to middle Cambrian age. The bedrock is overlain by unconsolidated sediments consisting of Pleistocene aged sand, gravel and silty clays, deposited by glacial-fluvial activity. Non-native fill materials consisting of dredge spoils, rubble and/or other materials have historically been used to reinforce and extend shoreline areas and to raise and improve the

drainage of low-lying areas.

Historic fill materials are present at the site to a depth as great as 10 feet below the surface. Fill material is underlain by native brown sandy silt. Per the USGS map for the Brooklyn Quadrangle, the elevation of the property ranges from 19 to 20 feet above the National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD). The area topography slopes downward to the north and west.

Groundwater at the site is present under water table conditions at a depth of approximately 12 feet below grade. Based on regional and local water table elevation maps, groundwater is expected to flow in a northerly direction.

The Phase II Environmental Assessment conducted for this site indicates the following contamination to be present:

- -Petroleum volatile organic compound (VOC) contaminants in soil above Unrestricted Use Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) and Protection of Groundwater Standards;
- -Chlorinated VOC contaminants in soil above Unrestricted Use SCOs and Protection of Groundwater Standards:
- -Petroleum semi-volatile organic compound (SVOC) contaminants in soil above Restricted Residential Use SCOs and Protection of Groundwater Standards;
- -Petroleum VOC contaminants in groundwater above groundwater quality standards; and
- -Heavy metals in soil above Unrestricted SCOs, but less than Restricted Residential Use SCOs.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's website at:

http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/haz/details.cfm?pageid=3&progno=C224218

**Brownfield Cleanup Program:** New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) encourages the voluntary cleanup of contaminated properties known as "brownfields" so that they can be reused and redeveloped. These uses include recreation, housing, business or other uses.

A brownfield is any real property that is difficult to reuse or redevelop because of the presence or potential presence of contamination.

For more information about the BCP, visit: <a href="http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html">http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html</a>

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

#### Where to Find Information

Project documents are available at the following location(s) to help the public stay informed.

Brooklyn Public Library - Greenpoint Branch 107 Norman Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11222

Phone: 718-349-8504

#### Who to Contact

Comments and questions are always welcome and should be directed as follows:

**Project Related Questions** 

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Site-Related Health Questions

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We encourage you to share this fact sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post this fact sheet in a prominent area of your building for others to see.

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As a listsery member, you will periodically receive site-related information/announcements for all contaminated sites in the county(ies) you select.

Note: Please disregard if you already have signed up and received this fact sheet electronically.



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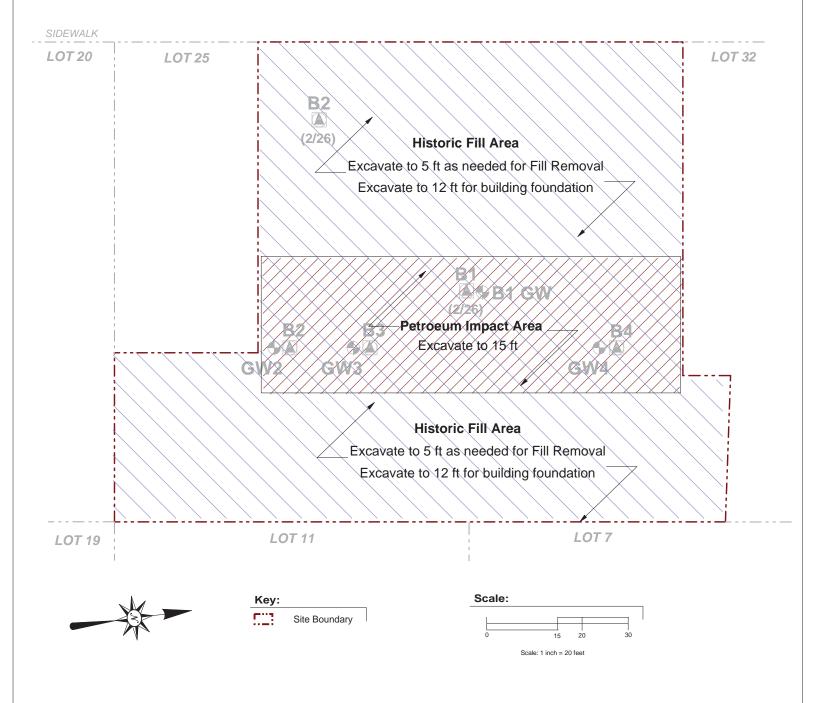




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FORMER CARTER SPRAY FINISHING CORP. Site Address: 65 ECKFORD STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11222

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