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DECLARATION STATEMENT - DECISION DOCUMENT

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Statement of Purpose and Basis

This document presents the remedy for the 1885 Atlantic Avenue Redevelopment 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 1885 Atlantic Avenue Redevelopment 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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- require compliance with the Department approved Site Management Plan.

8. Site Management Plan

A Site Management Plan is required, which includes the following:

- a. an Institutional and Engineering Control Plan that identifies all use restrictions and engineering controls for the site and details the steps and media-specific requirements necessary to ensure the following institutional and or engineering controls remain in place and effective:
 - Institutional Controls: The Environmental Easement discussed in remedial element 7 above.
 - Engineering Controls: The |Soil Vapor Extraction system discussed in remedial element 4 above and Sub Slab Depressurization System (SSDS) discussed in remedial element 6 above.

This plan includes, but may not be limited to:

- an Excavation Plan which details the provisions for management of future excavations in areas of remaining contamination;
- descriptions of the provisions of the environmental easement including any land use and/or groundwater use restrictions;
- provisions for the management and inspection of the identified engineering controls;
- maintaining site access controls and Department notification; and
- the steps necessary for the periodic reviews and certification of the institutional and/or engineering controls.
- b. a Monitoring Plan to assess the performance and effectiveness of the remedy. The plan includes, but may not be limited to:
 - monitoring of soil, groundwater, and soil vapor, to assess the performance and effectiveness of the remedy; and
 - a schedule of monitoring and frequency of submittals to the Department.
- c. an Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Plan to ensure continued operation, maintenance, inspection, and reporting of any mechanical or physical components of the remedy. The plan includes, but is not limited to:
 - procedures for operating and maintaining the remedy;
 - compliance monitoring of treatment systems to ensure proper O&M as well as

providing the data for any necessary permit or permit equivalent reporting; and providing the Department access to the site and O&M records.

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 https://gisservices.dec.ny.gov/gis/dil/index.html?rs=C224347

Brooklyn Community Board 3 1360 Fulton Street, 2nd Floor Brooklyn, NY 11216 Phone: (718) 622-6601

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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. public for encourage the sign one more county listservs http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

SECTION 3: SITE DESCRIPTION AND HISTORY

The 0.21-acre site is located in the Stuyvesant Heights neighborhood of Site Location: Brooklyn, NY. The site is located on the north side of Atlantic Avenue between Ralph Avenue and Columbus Place. The site is comprised of a single lot identified as Block 1714 Lot 30 on the New York City Tax Map. The site is bounded by a parking lot to the north, Ralph Avenue followed by mixed-use commercial and residential buildings to the east, Atlantic Avenue and the Long Island Railroad tracks to the south, and a commercial building occupied by McDonald restaurant to the west.

Site Features: The site was occupied by an active retail petroleum station and was improved with two low-rise buildings utilized for storage and as the Speedway kiosk building. Both structures were demolished in 2022 and all known USTs, associated piping, and accessories were removed during Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) activities conducted from June 2022 to August 2022.

Current Zoning and Land Use: The site is located within a residential and manufacturing zoning district (M1-1 and R7D) and special mixed-use MX-10 zoning area with Mandatory Inclusionary Housing (MIH). The surrounding properties are currently used for commercial, residential, and warehousing/manufacturing purposes. The nearest residential building is to the west side of the site, across Ralph Avenue.

Past Land Use: The site was a woodworking shop before 1932, an auto repair shop and a garage from 1932 to the 1950s, a metal product manufacturing facility from the 1950s to the 1960s, and a retail petroleum station and an auto wrecking facility from the 1960s to 2022.

Site Geology and Hydrogeology: The site is underlain by a layer of fill material consisting of light to dark brown, fine to medium sand with varying amounts of silt, clay, and gravel with brick, concrete, slag/ash, glass, ceramic, and asphalt fragments. Fill extends to variable depths between 5 and 15 feet below ground surface (ft bgs). Brown to orange fine to medium sand with varying amounts of silt, gravel, and intermittent clay lenses underly the fill layer and extend to at

least 35 ft bgs. Groundwater was encountered at depths ranging from approximately 60 to 63 ft bgs and flows from northeast to southwest.

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, alternatives (or an alternative) that restrict(s) 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) were/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) to the appropriate standards, criteria and guidance values (SCGs) for the identified land use and the unrestricted use 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 Applicant(s) does/do not have an obligation to address off-site contamination. However, the Department has determined that this site does not pose a significant threat to public health or the environment; accordingly, no enforcement actions are necessary.

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
- 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 report is 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: http://www.dec.ny.gov/regulations/61794.html

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 contaminant(s) of concern identified at this site is/are:

1,2,4-trimethylbenzene tetrachloroethene (PCE) ethylbenzene benzene toluene isopropylbenzene 1,3,5-trimethylbenzene xylene (mixed) n-propylbenzene benzo(b)fluoranthene sec-butylbenzene indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene naphthalene lead

The contaminants of concern exceed the applicable SCGs for:

- soil
- groundwater

6.2: **Interim Remedial Measures**

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(s) has/have been completed at this site based on conditions observed during the RI.

Interim Remedial Measre

Site Demolition and UST Removal

During the IRM the following structures associated with the former gas station were removed for off-site disposal:

- Former storage building and gas station kiosk
- Former service station pump island with two dispensers;
- Concrete pads within IRM area:
- Five 4000-gallon gasoline underground storage tanks (USTs);
- One 550-gallon wastewater UST and associated product piping between the former tank field and the pump island; and
- Approximately 200 cubic yards of petroleum impacted soil.

Approximately 210 cubic yards of clean fill (3/4-inch stone) was imported to backfill the excavation area. The IRM is documented in a January 2023 Construction Completion Report which has been approved by the Department.

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 samples were analyzed for volatile organic compounds (VOCs), semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), metals, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and 1,4-dioxane. Soil samples were analyzed for pesticides. Soil vapor samples were analyzed for VOCs. Based upon the investigations conducted to date, the primary contaminants of concern for the site are VOCs, SVOCs and metals in soil, and VOCs in groundwater and soil vapor.

Soil - Soil data for VOCs were compared to Restricted Residential Use Soil Cleanup Objectives (RRSCOs) and Protection of Groundwater Soil Cleanup Objectives (PGSCOs). The following VOCs exceeded both RRSCOs and PGSCOs in site soils: 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene at concentrations up to 300 parts per million, or ppm (RRSCO is 52 ppm, PGSCO is 3.6 ppm), 1,3,5-trimethylbenzene at concentrations up to 110 ppm (RRSCO is 52 ppm, PGSCO is 8.4 ppm), benzene at a concentrations up to 62 ppm (RRSCO is 4.8 ppm, PGSCO is 0.06 ppm), ethylbenzene at a concentrations up to 130 ppm (RRSCO is 41 ppm, PGSCO is 1 ppm), toluene at concentrations up to 370 ppm (RRSCO is 100 ppm, PGSCO is 0.7 ppm), and total xylenes at concentration up to 640 ppm (RRSCO is 100 ppm, PGSCO is 1.6 ppm). Elevated levels of VOCs in site soils extend from the site surface to at least 50 feet bgs.

DECISION DOCUMENT September 2023 1885 Atlantic Avenue Redevelopment, Site No. C224347 Page 10 Two SVOCs and one metal exceeded RRSCOs in site soil samples collected from 0 to 0.5 ft bgs: benzo(b)fluoranthene at a concentration of 1.24 ppm (RRSCO is 1 ppm), indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene at a concentration of 0.68 ppm (RRSCO is 0.5 ppm), and lead at a concentration of 480 ppm (RRSCO is 400 ppm).

PCBs, pesticides and 1,4-dioxane were not detected in site soils above RRSCOs and per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) were not detected in site soils above restricted-residential guidance values.

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

Groundwater - The chlorinated VOC tetrachloroethylene (PCE) was detected in one monitoring well at a concentration of 18 parts per billion (ppb), exceeding the ambient water quality standards and guidance values (AWQS) for PCE of 5 ppb. Petroleum related VOCs were also detected in groundwater including 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene at maximum concentration 41.4 ppb (AWQS is 5 ppb), benzene at maximum concentration 569 ppb (AWQS is 1 ppb), toluene at maximum concentration 20.5 ppb (AWQS is 5 ppb), and total xylenes at maximum concentration 98.1 ppb (AWQS is 5 ppb). Additionally, several VOCs were detected above the AWQS in only one well including 1,3,5-trimethylbenzene at 16 ppb, sec-butylbenzene at 16.8 ppb, ethylbenzene at 32 ppb, isopropylbenzene at 5.6 ppb and n-propylbenzene at 9.5 ppb.

Two SVOCs were detected in groundwater samples collected from the site at concentrations exceeding AWQS including bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate at 6.1 ppb (AWQS is 5 ppb) and diethyl phthalate at 448 ppb (AWQS is 50 ppb). SVOCs exceeding AWQS in groundwater are likely the result of entrained sediments in groundwater samples. The metal manganese was detected in groundwater samples collected from the site at concentrations up to 1,640 ppb (AWQS is 300 ppb). Manganese is a naturally occurring element and is not considered to be a site-specific contaminant.

No PCBs were detected in groundwater samples above AWQS. 1,4-dioxane was not detected in groundwater samples collected from the site.

Perfluorooctanesulfonic Acid (PFOS) was detected in one well at 90 parts per trillion, or ppt, exceeding the AWQS of 2.7 ppt. Perfluorooctanoic Acid (PFOA) was detected at concentrations exceeding the AWQS of 6.7 ppt in three wells at maximum concentration of 330 ppt. No source of PFOA and PFOS was encountered in site soils.

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

Soil Vapor - Several petroleum-related VOCs were detected at elevated concentrations in soil vapor samples including benzene (maximum concentration 1,190,000 micrograms per cubic meter, or ug/m3) and toluene (maximum concentration of 240,000 ug/m3). Total benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylene (BTEX) concentrations ranged from non-detect to a maximum of 1,430,000 ug/m3.

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Several other VOCs were also detected in multiple soil vapor samples including 1,3-butadiene (maximum concentration 2,460 ug/m3), 2,2,4-trimethlypentane (maximum concentration 4,260,000 ug/m3), 2-butanone (maximum concentration 1,100 ug/m3), cyclohexane (maximum concentration 606,000 ug/m3), heptane (maximum concentration 672,000 ug/m3), and n-hexane (maximum concentration 7,190,000 ug/m3).

Total VOC concentrations in soil vapor ranged from 1,348.13 ug/m3 to 10,846,000 ug/m3. Elevated levels of petroleum related VOCs in soil vapor were detected at depths of up to 45 below grade.

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

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*.

People are not drinking the contaminated groundwater because the area is served by a public water supply that is not affected by this contamination. The site is currently vacant and fenced, therefore people are not expected to come into contact with any site related soil 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. The inhalation of site-related contaminants due to soil vapor intrusion does not represent a current concern as the site is vacant. The potential exists for the inhalation of site contaminants due to soil vapor intrusion for any future on-site development. Furthermore, environmental sampling indicates soil vapor intrusion is not a concern 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:

Groundwater

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

Remove the source of ground or surface water contamination.

Soil

RAOs for Public Health Protection

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

RAOs for Environmental Protection

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.

The selected remedy is a Track 2: Restricted use with generic soil cleanup objectives remedy.

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8. Site Management Plan

A Site Management Plan is required, which includes the following:

- a. an Institutional and Engineering Control Plan that identifies all use restrictions and engineering controls for the site and details the steps and media-specific requirements necessary to ensure the following institutional and or engineering controls remain in place and effective:
 - Institutional Controls: The Environmental Easement discussed in remedial element 7 above.
 - Engineering Controls: The |Soil Vapor Extraction system discussed in remedial element 4 above and Sub Slab Depressurization System (SSDS) discussed in remedial element 6 above.

This plan includes, but may not be limited to:

- an Excavation Plan which details the provisions for management of future excavations in areas of remaining contamination;
- descriptions of the provisions of the environmental easement including any land use and/or groundwater use restrictions;
- provisions for the management and inspection of the identified engineering controls;
- maintaining site access controls and Department notification; and
- the steps necessary for the periodic reviews and certification of the institutional and/or engineering controls.
- b. a Monitoring Plan to assess the performance and effectiveness of the remedy. The plan includes, but may not be limited to:
 - monitoring of soil, groundwater, and soil vapor, to assess the performance and effectiveness of the remedy; and
 - a schedule of monitoring and frequency of submittals to the Department.
- c. an Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Plan to ensure continued operation, maintenance,

inspection, and reporting of any mechanical or physical components of the remedy. The plan includes, but is not limited to:

- procedures for operating and maintaining the remedy;
- compliance monitoring of treatment systems to ensure proper O&M as well as providing the data for any necessary permit or permit equivalent reporting; and
- providing the Department access to the site and O&M records.





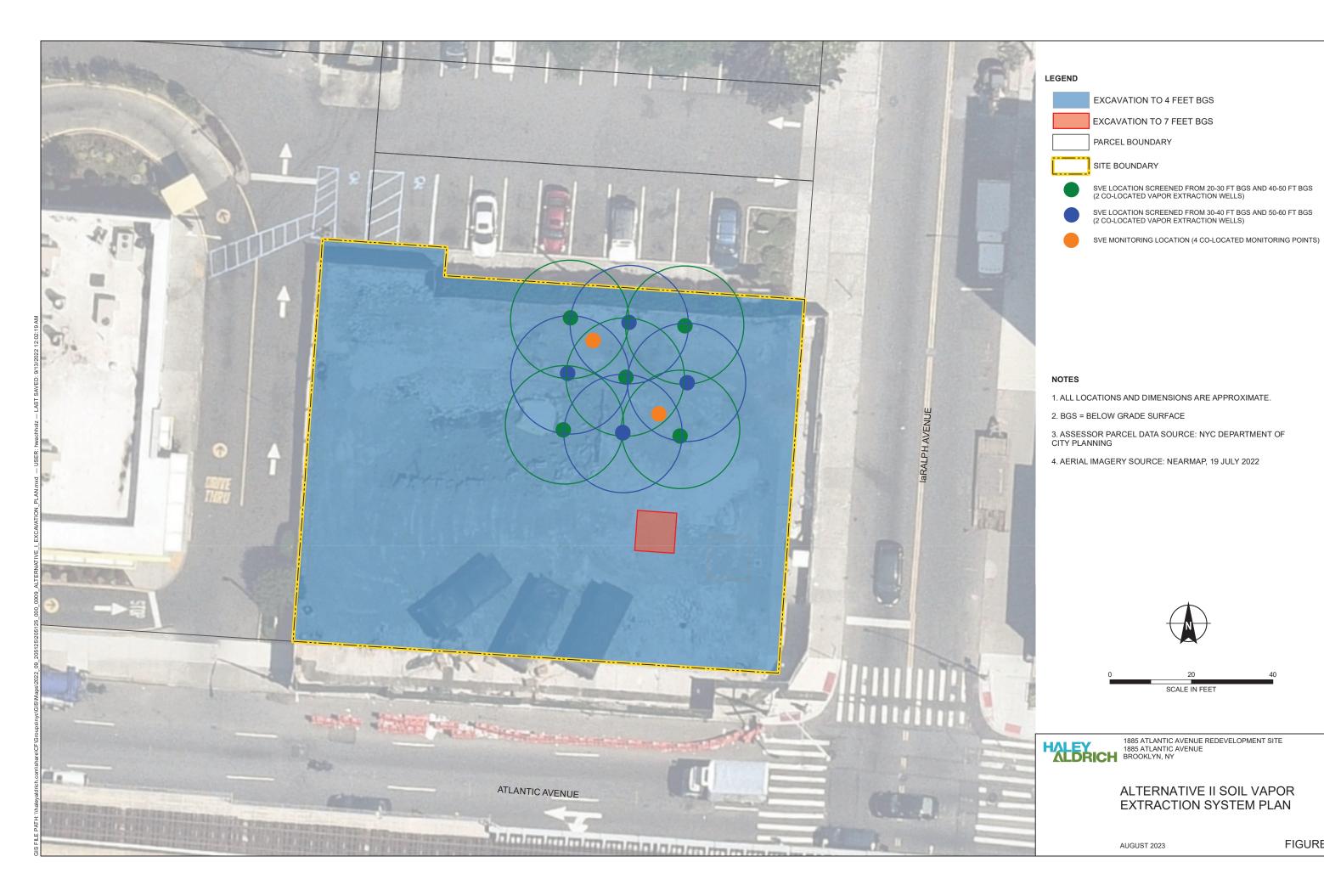
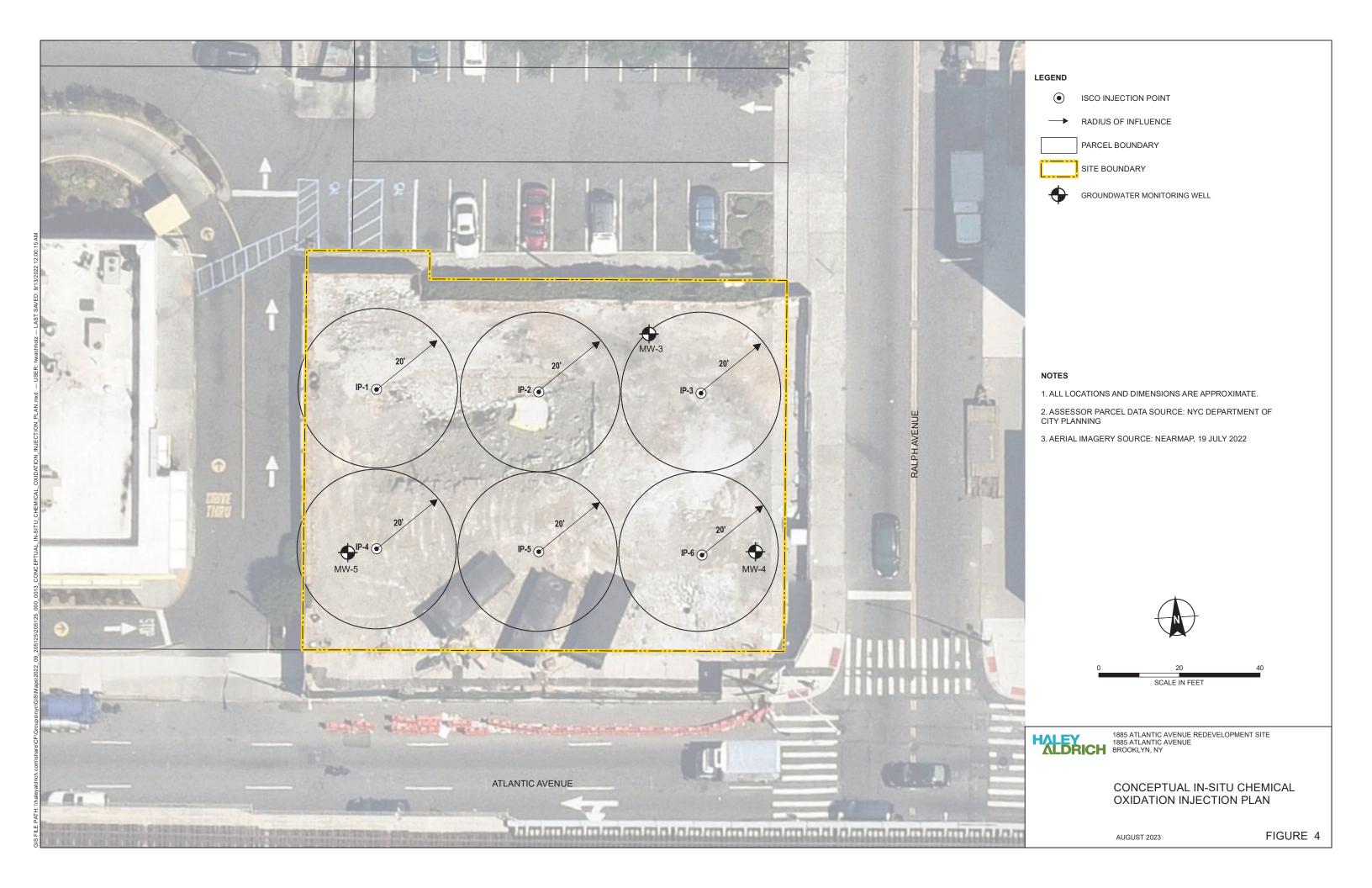
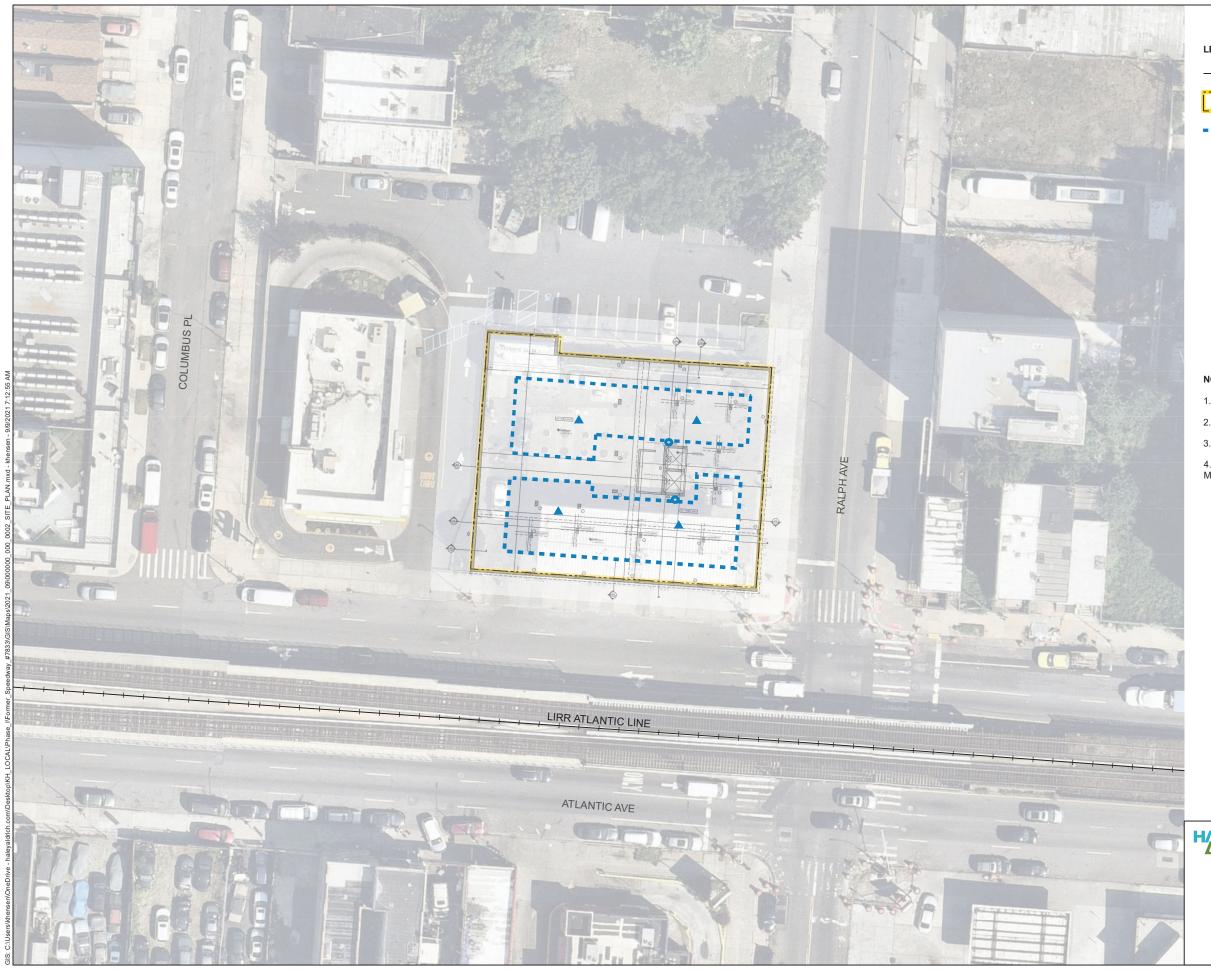


FIGURE 3



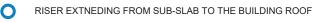


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— COMMUTER RAIL LINE BLOCK 1714



■ ■ ■ SUB-SLAB HORIZONTAL PIPING NETWORK





SUB-SLAB VAPOR MONITORING POINT

NOTES

- 1. ALL LOCATIONS AND DIMENSIONS ARE APPROXIMATE.
- 2. ASSESSOR PARCEL DATA SOURCE: KINGS COUNTY
- 3. AERIAL IMAGERY SOURCE: NEARMAP, 12 AUGUST 2021
- 4. SOURCE MAP: MECHANICAL CELLAR FLOOR PLAN BY J FRANKL C MALLEA ASSOCIATES DATED 3/3/2022





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CONCEPTUAL ACTIVE SSDS LAYOUT PLAN

FIGURE 5 AUGUST 2023