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FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

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Site Name: Christopher and Weehawken Streets

DEC Site #: C231098

Address: 173 Christopher St

New York, NY 10014

Have questions? See "Who to Contact" Below

Draft Investigation Work Plan for Brownfield Site Available for Public Comment

The public is invited to comment on a draft work plan being reviewed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to investigate the Christopher and Weehawken Streets site ("site") located at 173 Christopher St, New York, New York County. 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."

Draft Investigation Work Plan

The draft investigation work plan, called a "Remedial Investigation Work Plan," was submitted to NYSDEC under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program. The investigation will be performed by Kermit 79 L.L.C., 7-9-11 Weehawken Street, LLC, and 300 West 10th Street, LLC ("applicants") with oversight by NYSDEC and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH).

How to Comment

NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the draft investigation work plan for 30 days, from **November 5, 2015** through **December 4, 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.

Highlights of the Proposed Site Investigation

The investigation will define the nature and extent of contamination in soil, surface water, groundwater and any other parts of the environment that may be affected.

Next Steps

NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the plan as necessary, and approve the work plan. NYSDOH must concur with the plan. 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.

When the investigation is completed, a report will be prepared and submitted to the NYSDEC

that summarizes the results. NYSDEC will review the report, make any necessary revisions and, if appropriate, approve the report.

After the investigation, a cleanup plan called a "Remedial Work Plan" will be developed and a Decision Document will be proposed. The cleanup plan will include an evaluation of the proposed site remedy, or recommend a no action or no further action alternative. The goal of the cleanup plan is to ensure the protection of public health and the environment. NYSDEC will present the proposed cleanup plan to the public for its review and comment during a 45-day comment period. NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

Background

Location: The 4,200 square-foot site is located at 173 Christopher Street in an urban area in the West Village neighborhood of Manhattan, and consists of one parcel: Block 636, Lot 34.

Site Features: The current building occupies the entire lot. The site is bounded by multi-story mixed-use commercial and residential buildings to the north, east, and west, and by Christopher Street to the south.

Current Zoning and Land Use: The site is located in a C1-6 commercial district and is occupied by a vacant 3-story mixed residential-commercial building.

Past Use of the Site: The site was reportedly used as a machine shop between 1921 and 1950.

Site Geology and Hydrogeology: The site is primarily underlain by historic fill, consisting of brown loose medium- to fine-grained sand with varying amounts of gravel, silt, brick fragments, and concrete. Fill extends about 1 to 3 feet below the cellar foundation slab (about 10 to 13 feet below sidewalk grade). Native material consisting of light brown silty sand or silt was observed directly beneath the foundation slab in the southwest part of the site and underlying the fill layer at other locations. Bedrock is expected to consist of gray mica schist located at a depth of approximately 100 feet below the existing ground surface.

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=C231098

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 may 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: http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Where to Find Information

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

Hudson Park Library 66 Leroy Street New York, NY 10014 Phone: 212-243-6876

Who to Contact

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

Project-Related Questions

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Albany, NY 12233-7016 Phone: 518-402-9767

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Site-Related Health Questions

Harolyn Hood

New York State Department of Health BEEI, Empire State Plaza - Corning Tower

Room 1787

Albany, NY 12237 Phone: 518-402-7860

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