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If you would like to continue to receive information about the contaminated site featured in this fact sheet:

You <u>must</u> sign up for the DER email listserv:

www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

DER cannot register your email address - only the email address owner can do so. If you already have signed up for the listserv for the county in which the site is located, you need do nothing.





Why You Should Go "Paperless":

- ☑ Get site information faster and share it easily;
- ☑ Receive information about all sites in a chosen county read what you want, delete the rest;
- ☑ It helps the environment and stretches your tax dollars.

If "paperless" is not an option for you, call or write to the DER project manager identified in this fact sheet. Indicate that you need to receive paper copies of fact sheets through the Postal Service. Include the site name in your correspondence. The option to receive paper is available to individuals only. Groups, organizations, businesses, and government entities are assumed to have email access.



Where to Find Information:

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

Queens Public Library

Court Square 25-01 Jackson Avenue Long Island City, NY 11101 (718) 937-2790

Queens Community Board 2

43-22 50th Street Woodside, NY 11377 (718) 533-8773

Who to Contact:

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

Project-Related Questions

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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

HPS Parcel F

Center Blvd. between 56th Avenue and 57th Avenue Long Island City, NY 11101

SITE No. C241225 NYSDEC REGION 2

February 2019

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 HPS Parcel F site ("site") located on Center Blvd. between 56th Avenue and 57th Avenue, Long Island City, Queens, 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 to the left under "Where to Find Information."

<u>Draft Investigation Work Plan</u>: 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 GO HPS LLC ("applicant(s)") with oversight by NYSDEC and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH).

<u>How to Comment</u>: NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the draft investigation work plan for 30 days, from **February 7** through **March 8, 2019**. The proposed plan is available for public review at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information." Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area at left.

<u>Highlights of the Proposed Site Investigation</u>: The investigation will define the nature and extent of contamination in soil, groundwater, soil vapor and any other parts of the environment that may be affected. Previous investigations have detected semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), metals, and PCBs in soil on site.

Key components of the investigation work include:

- Installing and sampling soil borings to identify possible on-site sources of contamination;
- Collecting soil vapor samples; and
- Installing and sampling ground water wells to evaluate potential impacts from areas of concern on-site, as well as to inform the potential for offsite sources and the qualitative off-site exposure assessment.

<u>Next Steps</u>: NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the plan as necessary, and approve the work plan. NYSDOH must concur with the plan. 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.

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After the investigation, a cleanup plan, called a "Remedial Action 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.

<u>Site Description</u>: The site is currently a vacant, fenced-in lot, and is part of the Hunter's Point South Project Area redevelopment. The site is bordered on the north by 56th Avenue, to the south by 57th Avenue followed by public open space and Newtown Creek, to the east by a vacant construction area and 2nd Street, and to the west by Center Boulevard followed by open public space and the East River. The site has had industrial uses since at least the late 19th century including a sugar refinery in the early 1900s and a news publishing plant in operation from the mid-1970s until demolition in 2003. The site has remained vacant since.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the Site ID, C241225) at:

http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3

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 site is any real property where a contaminant is present at levels exceeding the soil cleanup objectives or other health-based or environmental standards, criteria or guidance adopted by DEC that are applicable based on the reasonably anticipated use of the property, in accordance with applicable regulations.

For more information about the BCP, visit:

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

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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www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

It's quick, it's free, and it will help keep you better informed. 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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