



Public Comment Period

April 10, 2006 to May 10, 2006

Pfizer Inc. Site B

59-71 Gerry Street and
73-87 Gerry Street
Brooklyn, NY

The NYSDEC has prepared this Fact Sheet to provide you basic information and upcoming remedial activities at the Pfizer Inc. Site B.

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Remediation Design & Remedial Action (RD/RA)

Public Comment Period Announcement

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), working cooperatively with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), has received a Remedial Design and Remedial Action Work Plan (RD/RA WP) under the Voluntary Cleanup Program for the Pfizer Inc's Site B (Site # V00350). NYSDEC and Pfizer Inc. entered into a Voluntary Cleanup Agreement in September 2003. The RD/RA WP is now available for public review as discussed below.

Site Description: Site B is located along Gerry Street, between Harrison and Throop Avenues in Brooklyn, New York. Site B currently consists of two distinct areas: the western portion and the eastern portions. The Site is bordered on the north by a poultry market and vacant land, three multi-family residences, and a former auto body garage and yard; on the south by Gerry Street; on the east by a vacant lot; and on the west by Harrison Avenue.

Historically, the western portion of Site B was either vacant or used as a parking lot. The eastern portion of Site B consisted of a vacant building that was not utilized by Pfizer until the 1970s. In 1996, Pfizer had the building demolished. Currently, the Site is used as a parking lot. Pfizer never conducted manufacturing operations on any portion of the Site B.

The Proposed Action: The proposed remedy will consist of a Soil Vapor Extraction/Air Sparge (SVE/AS) system, which will be designed to treat the on-site volatile organic compound (VOC) contaminated groundwater. A SVE/AS system will be designed, operated, maintained and monitored (two to three years minimum) to address on-site groundwater contamination identified during previous investigations.

Air sparging uses the injection of pressurized air into the zone of impacted groundwater at depths below the water table and causes the VOCs to volatilize, effectively stripping them from impacted groundwater. These vapors are captured by the SVE component of the remedy. A vacuum is applied to extract vapors that are conveyed through a piping network to a treatment system, where the VOCs are removed prior to discharge. The remedy includes installation of nine AS injection wells and 14 SVE wells and 260 linear feet of SVE trenches.

Summary of Previous Remedial Efforts: As part of the VCA, Pfizer performed an interim remedial measure (IRM) in 2002 to address onsite soil contamination. The IRM included the excavation of nine underground storage tanks (USTs) as well as the removal of 4,735 tons of petroleum-impacted soils.

Pfizer performed a series of Site Investigations in February 2003, April 2003, November 2004 and March 2005. The results of this series of investigations identified soil and groundwater contaminated with VOCs.

Schedule: Remedial activities are scheduled to begin in the Spring of 2006. A complete and detailed schedule is contained in the RD/RA work plan.

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Your Opportunity to Comment on the Remedial Design/Remedial Action (RD/RA): Written comments on the proposed Remedial Design and Remediation Work Plan will be accepted until May 10, 2006. This document can be reviewed at the Document Repository listed in this Fact Sheet. Comments expressing objection or opposition to the Remediation Work Plan must explain the basis of that opposition and identify the specific grounds, which could lead the Department to impose significant changes to the work plan. Based on these comments, the NYSDEC may require the applicant to make revisions to the work plan. No formal response will be made to comments received by the Department. Please direct comments to:

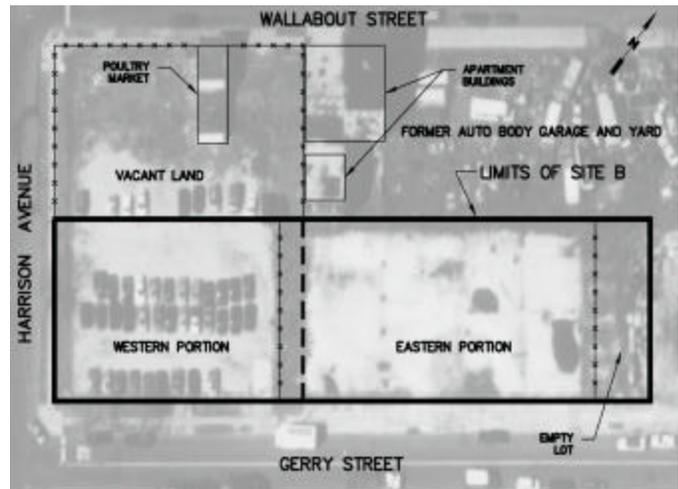
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Citizen Information: As the project progresses, various Fact Sheets will be sent to the public. You are encouraged to contact the representatives of the NYSDEC or the NYSDOH (listed in the left column of the first page) at any time with questions, comments or concerns.

SITE LOCATION



SITE MAP



Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) Overview- New York established its VCP to address the environmental, legal, and financial barriers that often hinder the redevelopment and reuse of contaminated properties and to enhance private sector cleanups. New York's VCP is a cooperative approach among the NYSDEC, the NYSDOH, and Volunteers/Participants to investigate and/or remediate contaminated Sites. Under the VCP, a Volunteer enters into a Voluntary Cleanup Agreement with the NYSDEC and thereafter submits one or more work plans to investigate and, if necessary, remediate a site. The goal under the VCP is to remediate sites to a level that is protective to public health and the environment consistent with the proposed uses of the site. When the Volunteers complete work, a release from liability from the NYSDEC is provided with standard reservations.

For information regarding New York State's Voluntary Cleanup Program, please visit our web Site at:

<http://www.dec.state.ny.us/webSite/der/vcp/>