



Department of  
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# FACT SHEET

## Brownfield Cleanup Program

Central Hudson Gas & Electric  
610 Little Britain Road  
New Windsor, NY 12524

July 2020

**SITE No. C336031**  
NYSDEC REGION 3

### Where to Find Information

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator and at these location(s):

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C336031/>

**Newburgh Free Library**  
124 Grand Street  
Newburgh, NY 12520  
(845) 563-3628

*(\*Repositories are temporarily unavailable due to COVID-19 precautions. If you cannot access the online repository, please contact the NYSDEC project manager listed below for assistance)*

### Who to Contact

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

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For more information about New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program, visit:  
[www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html)

## 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 Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp. Little Britain Road Service Center site ("site") located at 610 Little Britain Road, New Windsor, Orange County. Please see the map for the site location.

**Draft Investigation Work Plan:** The draft investigation work plan, called a "Remedial Investigation Work Plan," (RIWP) was submitted to NYSDEC under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program. The investigation will be performed by Central Hudson Gas and Electric Corp. ("applicant(s)") with oversight by NYSDEC and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH).

**How to Comment:** NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the Draft RIWP for 30 days, from **July 8 through August 7, 2020**.

- Access the RIWP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator:  
<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C336031/>.
- Documents also are available 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.

**Highlights of the Proposed Site Investigation:** 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 volatile and semi-volatile organic compounds (VOCs and SVOCs) including trichloroethene (TCE) and 1,2 dichloroethene (cis-1,2 DCE) among others in soil, groundwater, and soil vapor on site from the historical use of chlorinated solvents during manufacturing processes by former site owner, J&H Smith Manufacturing Company. However, samples taken from Lockwood Basin adjacent to the site did not contain any site-related contaminants.

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Key components of the investigation work include:

- Inspecting surficial soils located on the southwestern portion of the site to identify possible surficial staining and subsequent soil sampling;
- Collecting soil vapor samples around the perimeter of the facility building; and
- Installing and sampling additional groundwater wells to further monitor on-site groundwater impacts and evaluate potential off-site migration.

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

After the investigation, a proposed cleanup plan, called a “Draft Remedial Work Plan” will be developed. 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.

**Site Description:** The site is comprised of an 8.93-acre property which sits on the town line between Newburgh and New Windsor, and is comprised of three parcels: Section 4, Block 1, Lot 16 (New Windsor) and Section 97, Block 3, Lot 22.1 and Lot 22.2 (Newburgh). The site is bordered on the west by Lake Washington, on the south by Little Britain Road, on the east by residential and commercial properties, and on the north by

residential properties situated on Old Little Britain Road. The site is currently active and developed with a one-story service center building and paved parking areas. The site has been owned and operated by Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp. since 1977. Prior to 1977, the site had been owned and operated by J&H Smith Manufacturing Company as an electronic and lighting equipment producer.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C336031) at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/externalapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3>

**Brownfield Cleanup Program:** 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>

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#### DECinfo Locator

Interactive map to access DEC documents and public data about the environmental quality of specific sites: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/109457.html>



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Site Location Map

