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Public Comment Period

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February 10, 2013

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NYC VCP Cleanup Plan Available for Review and Comment

The New York City Office of Environmental Remediation (OER) provides this Fact Sheet pursuant to the New York City's Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP). An application has been submitted by City University of New York (CUNY) for enrollment of the property located at 285 Jay Street, Brooklyn, New York and identified as Block 131, Partial Lot 1 into the VCP. The Remedial Investigation Report (RIR) details the results of an environmental investigation at the site including the nature and extent of contamination. The draft Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP) proposes remedial actions to address contamination delineated in the RIR.

Public Comments on the RAWP

OER is accepting public comments on the draft RAWP for 30 days until February 10, 2013. The RIR and draft RAWP are available for review at the document repositories identified in the box on the left including a public library branch and through a link to OER's website. Comments should be sent to Mr. Shaminder Chawla via mail or e-mail (see contact information at left).

Site Description

The 1.46 acre site is currently occupied by two contiguous buildings. The proposed redevelopment will involve the demolition of the existing Site buildings and excavation of the entire Site to approximately 35 feet below current grade to accommodate the construction of an eight-story academic building with a two-level basement containing an underground parking garage, athletic facilities, and mechanical rooms.

Summary of RIR

The results of soil sampling detected several semi volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) and metals above Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs). Volatile organic compounds (VOCs), pesticides and PCBs were detected at low levels. Several metals were detected above Groundwater Quality Standards (GQS). No tetrachloroethylene (PCE) or trichloroethene (TCE) or other VOCs (except chloroform) were detected in groundwater samples. No SVOCs, pesticides or PCBs were detected in the groundwater samples. Several petroleum related and one chlorinated VOCs were detected in soil vapor at concentrations slightly above background levels.

Summary of the Remedy

The proposed remedial action is a Track 1 Unrestricted Use cleanup. The specific elements of the proposed remedial action include:

- Preparation of a Community Protection Statement and implementation of a Citizen Participation Plan.
- Performance of a Community Air Monitoring Program for particulates and volatile organic carbon compounds.
- Establish Track 1 SCOs.
- Excavation and removal of soil/fill exceeding SCOs. Soil will be excavated to an approximate depth of 35 feet throughout the property.
- Collection and analysis of end-point samples to determine the performance of the remedy with respect to attainment of SCOs.
- As part of construction, installation of a vapor barrier system beneath the building slab.
- Transportation and off-Site disposal of all soil/fill material at permitted facilities in accordance with applicable laws and regulations for handling, transport, and disposal, and this plan.
- Submission of a remedial action report (RAR) that describes the remedial activities, certifies that the remedial requirements have been achieved, defines the Site boundaries, and describes all Engineering and Institutional Controls to be implemented at the Site, and lists any changes from this RAWP.

Next Steps

OER will review the draft RAWP and consider all public comments submitted during the comment period before it approves a final RAWP. The approved RAWP will be placed in the public library branch and on OER's website and a second fact sheet will be issued before remedial work begins.

If you have any questions or know of any neighbor that would like to be added to the site contact list, please contact the OER Project Manager listed on the front page of this Fact Sheet. We encourage you to share this Fact Sheet with neighbors and tenants and/or post it in a prominent area of your building. For information regarding New York City's Voluntary Cleanup Program, please visit our website at: www.nyc.gov/oer

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Figure 1 – Site Location Map

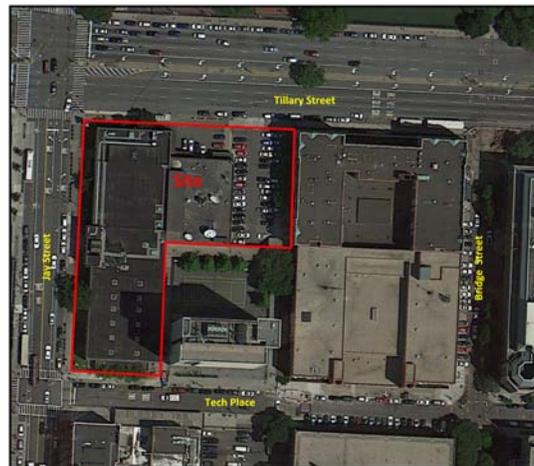


Figure 2 – Site Vicinity Map

