

Public Comment Period

March 18, 2015
to
April 18, 2015

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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 New York City's Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP). An application has been submitted by 211 Street, LLC for enrollment of the property located at 211-02 - 211-04 Northern Boulevard in the Bayside section of Queens, New York and identified as Block 7313, Lot 5 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 April 17, 2015. 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 Site is 10,000 square feet and currently consists of a vacant lot. A car dealer used to operate at the site. The proposed future use of the Site will be a 3-story commercial use building with a cellar and sub-cellar. Both sub-grade levels will be used for parking and limited storage. The first floor will contain four (4) retail stores and the second and third floors will contain offices.

Summary of RIR

The environmental investigation identified 15 feet of silty sand from the surface down, underlain by at least 40 feet of medium to coarse grained sand. Several VOCs, SVOCs, metals and pesticides are above cleanup guidelines in soil. Some metals are above Groundwater Quality Standards. Soil vapor samples showed petroleum related VOCs as well as elevated levels of chlorinated VOCs, above the monitoring level ranges established by the New York State Department of Health.

Summary of the Remedy

The specific elements of the proposed remedial action include:

- Preparation of a Community Protection Statement and performance of all required NYC VCP Citizen Participation activities according to an approved Citizen Participation Plan;
- Implementation of a Community Air Monitoring Plan for particulates and volatile organic carbon (VOCs) compounds;
- Selection of Unrestricted Use (Track 1) Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs);
- Excavation and removal of soil/fill exceeding Track 1 Unrestricted Use SCOs. The large majority of the site will be excavated 25 feet below grade for the new cellar and sub-cellar;
- 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. Sampling and analysis of excavated media as required by disposal facilities and appropriate segregation of excavated media onsite;
- Collection and analysis of end-point samples to determine the performance of the remedy with respect to attainment of SCOs;
- Submission of a Remedial Action Report (RAR) that describes the remedial activities and certifies that the remedial requirements have been achieved and lists any changes from this RAWP;

If Track 1 Unrestricted Use cleanup is not achieved, the following construction elements (as part of new development) will be implemented as Engineering and Institutional Controls:

- Installation and operation of a ventilated parking garage per requirements of NYC Buildings Department;
- Installation and operation of active Sub Slab Depressurization system in areas of cellar not utilized for parking;
- Installation of a waterproofing membrane beneath the building slab and outside foundation sidewalls below grade;
- Construction and maintenance of an engineered composite cover consisting of a concrete building slab and concrete walls to prevent human exposure to residual soil/fill remaining under the site;
- Submission of an approved Site Management Plan (SMP) in the RAR for long-term management of residual contamination, including plans for maintenance, inspection and certification of Engineering and Institutional Controls and reporting at a specified frequency; and
- Continued registration with E-designation for the property if Track 1 cleanup is not achieved.

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 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 Map

