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Remedy Proposed for State Superfund Site
Public Comment Period Announced

The public is invited to comment on a remedy being proposed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to address contamination related to the Zerega Holder Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) site ("site") located at 2383 Blackrock Avenue in the Bronx, New York. Please see the map below for the site location. Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the location(s) identified on the left of this page under "Where to Find Information."

How to Comment: NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan for 30 days, from September 26 through October 26, 2018. The proposed plan is available for public review at the location(s) identified at the left of this page 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.

Proposed Remedy: The remedy proposed for the site includes:

- Excavation of contaminated soil to approximately 12 feet below surface grade in the vicinity of the substation and eastern gas holder. Dispose of contaminated soil off-site;
- Importing clean material that meets the established Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCO) for use as backfill;
- Installation of a cover system using a combination of existing structures and imported soil that meets the SCOs;
- Implement a Site Management Plan (SMP) for long term maintenance of the remedy; and
- Recording of an Environmental Easement for the institutional and engineering controls needed at the site.

NYSDEC developed the proposed remedy after reviewing the detailed investigation of the site and evaluating the remedial options in the “Alternatives Analysis Report” submitted under New York’s State Superfund Program by Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (“remedial party”).
Next Steps: NYSDEC will consider public comments as it finalizes the remedy for the site. The selected remedy will be described in a document called a "Decision Document" that will explain the details of the remedy. A detailed design of the selected remedy will then be prepared, and the cleanup will be performed.

NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

Site Description: The site is located on two adjacent parcels on the west side of Zerega Avenue in the Unionport section of the Bronx, New York. The Zerega Holder Site was used as a holder station for the adjacent Unionport MGP site located to the east. The site is bordered by Watson Avenue to the north, Zerega Avenue to the east, Blackrock Avenue to the south, and a private property to the west. The site is currently used as a school bus parking lot and maintenance facility. Above-grade structures at the site include a large two-story service garage and fueling station. The site is covered with asphalt pavement and concrete. A chain link fence currently surrounds the entire property. An electrical substation (owned and operated by Con Edison) is located in the southeast corner of the site. The substation property is surrounded by a chain link fence and covered with gravel, grass, and vegetation.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the Site ID, 203110) at: [http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3](http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3)

Summary of the Investigation: The primary contaminants of concern at the site include MGP coal tar and the related VOCs benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and xylene (BTEX) and polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs). Soil and groundwater samples were collected to delineate the nature and extent of the contamination at the site. The most heavily impacted material is present on the eastern portion of the site near the 500,000 ft³ gas holder and substation areas.

State Superfund Program Overview: New York's State Superfund Program (SSF) identifies and characterizes suspected inactive hazardous waste disposal sites. Sites that pose a significant threat to public health and/or the environment go through a process of investigation, evaluation, cleanup and monitoring.

NYSDEC attempts to identify parties responsible for site contamination and require cleanup before committing State funds.

For more information about the SSF, visit: [http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html)

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