

Facts About...

National Bohemian Brewery Property (Voluntary Cleanup Program)

Site Description

The National Brewery property is located at 3601 Dillon Street in the City of Baltimore. The site, consisting of 1.26 acres and zoned industrial-M030, is located in a mixed commercial and residential area. It is bounded by O'Donnell Street to the south, Dillon Street to the north, Conkling Street to the west and Brewers Hill Business Center to the east. The property consists of three vacant buildings and a paved parking area. The property sits on a slight incline; therefore, the topography slopes to the south, east and west. The site is underlain by Lower Cretaceous clay and sand facies. The stratigraphy consists of a clay-silt layer approximately 3-5 feet thick, a sandy-silt layer approximately 35 feet thick and a medium to fine grained sand layer 10 feet thick. Groundwater is encountered at 59 feet below grade and flow direction appears to be toward the Baltimore Harbor, approximately 2,000 feet to the southwest.

Site History

The National Brewery site was used as a brewery from the 1890s to at least 1992, when the Brewery Corporation purchased the property from the National Brewing Company.

Current Status

On June 9, 2000, the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) received a Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) application from the prospective purchaser, Struever Bros. Realty, Inc. A Phase II environmental site assessment (ESA) report was completed in May 2000 and a supplemental Phase II ESA report was completed in February 2001. Laboratory results indicated that semi-volatile organic compounds, polychlorinated biphenyls and metals were present at levels that exceeded the MDE non-residential cleanup soil standards. Groundwater samples exceeded the MDE groundwater standards for nickel and zinc. In May 2001, MDE requested submission of a Response Action Plan (RAP) to address soil and sediment contamination at the site.

On June 26, 2003, MDE approved the revised RAP and, upon satisfactory completion of the provisions of the approved RAP, MDE issued a Certificate of Completion (COC) on September 15, 2005 and reissued the COC on October 11, 2005.

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