



Facts About...

MTA Property
(Voluntary Cleanup Program)

Site Location

The 0.86-acre MTA Property is located at 2099 Kloman Street in Baltimore City, Maryland. The property is bounded to the north by a vacant lot with the foundation of the BG&E Frequency Changer Building, to the east by the continuation of the former railroad track including a rail bridge that crosses the Middle Branch of the Pataspc River, to the west by Kloman Street and the MTA light rail track, and to the south by the former Westport Generating Station property.

The property is located in a mixed-use industrial commercial and residential area in the Westport neighborhood of Baltimore City. The property is an abandoned railway line and consists of a flat gravel covered surface with overgrown vegetated areas. The former track and railway ties have been removed from the property; however, the walkway tunnel remains underneath the western end of the property. Although the area in the vicinity of the site is served by public utilities there are no water or sewer services installed at the MTA property.

Site History

The property was utilized as the Tidewater extension for the Western Maryland Railroad from approximately 1900 until 2004, when the railroad tracks were removed from the property. During this time the property remained largely undeveloped except for the track and track foundation. In the 1950's Consolidated Gas Electric Light & Power Company installed a tunnel underneath the property to connect the power company's main facility to the south with the frequency change building to the north of the property.

Environmental Investigations and Actions

In June 2006, a Phase I site assessment was conducted to evaluate potential recognized environmental conditions (RECs). Surface and subsurface soil samples were collected at the site as part of a Phase II Environmental Site Assessment in November 2006. Soil samples were selectively analyzed for priority pollutant metals, volatile organic compounds (VOCs), semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). Arsenic, elemental mercury and several SVOCs were reported in soil samples at concentrations about the MDE Residential Cleanup Standards.

Current Status

On July 10, 2006, Inner Harbor West II, LLC, a prospective purchaser, submitted an application to the Voluntary Cleanup Program as an inculpable person seeking a No Further Requirements Determination for future restricted residential use (Tier 1B) for the property. On January 29, 2007, the Department accepted the property into the program and notified the applicant that the property was not eligible for a No Further Requirements Determination and must pursue a Certificate of Completion. The proposed response action plan (RAP) was submitted on May 7, 2007. The public information meeting was held on June 5, 2007. The Department approved the RAP on August 6, 2008.



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