



Facts About...

Main Steel (1301 Boyle Street)
(Voluntary Cleanup Program)

Site Location

The Main Steel property is located at 1301 Boyle Street in the Locust Point section of the Inner Harbor area of Baltimore City, Maryland. The property occupies a .96-acre parcel located approximately 375 feet south southwest of the Northwest Branch of the Patapsco River.

Site History

The Main Steel Company currently utilizes the site as a steel polishing facility and has operated at this location since 1987 when it purchased the property from McKenzie Steel, Inc. McKenzie Steel, Inc. utilized the site for steel and iron fabrication since 1937. Prior to 1937, the property was vacant except for a storage shed along the northeast corner of the property. One structure exists on site that was erected in 1937.

Environmental Investigations

In May 2002, Aegir Consortium, Inc completed a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment that identified numerous 55-gallon drums located within the facility and in the fenced storage yard fluid stains within the facility and documented the historic use of chemicals, by-products and wastes associated with the manufacturing practices on site that may have impacted the site.

In December 2002, MDE completed a Phase II Brownfields Assessment at the request of Lombard Street Ventures, LLC. Surface and subsurface soil grab samples and shallow groundwater samples were collected. Analytical results of the soil and groundwater samples revealed elevated levels of inorganic contamination. A Toxicological Evaluation was prepared by MDE that revealed risks due to the contamination that was detected in the soils. Therefore, MDE recommended a deed restriction, limiting use of the first floor to non-residential purposes and requiring the notification of the MDE prior to the initiation any excavation or transfer of ownership of any part of the Main Steel property. On March 12, 2003, the No Further Requirements Determination was recorded in the land records with the Baltimore City Clerk of the Courts.

Current Status

On June 11, 2002, Lombard Street Venture, LLC applied to the MDE-VCP as an inculpable person, seeking a No Further Requirements Determination for the Main Steel property for a commercial future use scenario. On February 27, 2003, the MDE-VCP issued a No Further Requirements Determination for the Main Steel property for commercial or industrial purposes in the future with a groundwater use prohibition and certain excavation and disposal requirements.



Contact

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