



Maryland Department of the
Environment

FACTS ABOUT: Simpson & Doeller Site

Site Location

The Simpson & Doeller Site (S&D) is a 70,560 square foot parcel located at 2827 East Preston Street in the Collington Square section of Baltimore City, Maryland. The site is bounded by Biddle Street to the south, East Preston Street to the north, Linwood Avenue to the east and Kenwood Avenue to the west. The site is surrounded by residential property. There are occupied row homes on the northwestern portion of the block which share a property boundary with S&D. The geographic coordinates for the site are 39.305934° North latitude by 076.577582° West longitude. The Maryland Grid coordinates for the center of the site are 919,500 east by 536,300 north.

Site History

The red brick building occupying the block defined by East Preston Street, North Linwood Avenue, East Biddle Street and North Kenwood Avenue was the site of the Simpson & Doeller Label Company from the 1880s through 1954. The 2827 East Preston Street parcels are referenced by Baltimore City as Block 1541/Ward 08/Lot 009 & 010.

The property was acquired in October 1908 by the Simpson and Doeller Company in two parcels; one granted by George Gebelein and wife and the other by William M. Plant and wife.

According to Maryland Department of Assessment and Taxation the property, identified as 2827 E. Preston Street, belongs to Joseph Klein Sr. ETAL. Klein acquired the property from East Preston Company in January 1955. East Preston Company was a successor corporation to the Simpson and Doeller Company. Levinson & Klein Furniture used the property as a warehouse prior to the corporation's demise.

Environmental Investigation and Action

The property was the center of an Oil Control Program underground storage tank removal in 1994. Two 6,000 gallon steel gasoline tanks were removed from the site and contaminated soil excavated and recycled.

There are no records of Phase I or II environmental studies having been done for the Simpson & Doeller Site.



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MDE has scheduled the site for a Site Inspection in 2014. The property owners have denied the State access to the property.

Current Status

The building is boarded-up and appears abandoned though it may currently be used as leased storage.



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