Facts About…
139 West Ostend Street
(Voluntary Cleanup Program)

Site Location

The 1.343-acre 139 West Ostend Street property is located in mixed use area of Baltimore City, Maryland. The property is bordered to the north by West Ostend Street with Furst Brothers Company and the Vac-Pac Company beyond. To the east is a vacant apartment building, to the south are railroad tracks and to the west is Leadenhall Street with the Maryland State Arts Council beyond.

Site History

The property has been occupied by railroad tracks or associated with the rail lines since before 1900.

Environmental Investigations and Actions

In September 2005, a Phase I environmental site assessment (ESA) and Phase II ESA were completed that included collection of soil and groundwater samples. Elevated concentrations of benzo(a)pyrene were identified in the subsurface soil and diesel range organics in the groundwater at the property. Low levels of chlorinated solvents were also detected in subsurface soil samples and in groundwater.

Current Status

On November 22, 2005, the VCP issued expedited inculpable person approval to IDAC Tailgate, LLC with the requirement that the VCP application and fees be submitted within six months. On May 22, 2006, IDAC Tailgate, LLC submitted a VCP application as an inculpable person seeking a No Further Requirements Determination for residential use of the property. In August 2006, the VCP issued comments including a request for a work plan for collection of soil gas and soil samples. On September 4, 2008, the VCP application was denied due to failure to respond to the comments or submit the work plan.

Contact

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