Facts About…

608 South Regester Street
(Voluntary Cleanup Program)

Site Location

The 0.09-acre 608 South Regester Street property is located in the Fells Point area of Baltimore City, Maryland, a mixed commercial and residential neighborhood. The properties are part of the same mixed use planned unit development as the Marketplace Properties (an adjacent VCP site). The 608 South Regester Street property is located on the east side of South Regester Street between Fleet Street and Aliceanna Street. The property is bounded to the north by a residence and a liquor store, to the east by South Regester Street with a parking lot beyond, and to the south and west by the Marketplace East properties. The property is currently a vacant lot that is mostly covered by concrete.

Site History

The property appears to have been developed in the 1800s with five residential dwelling from at least 1890 to 1914. By the 1950s, the property was improved with a commercial warehouse. Historic occupants of the warehouse included Frank C. Buck Garage in 1946, Barons Garage and Auto Repair (from at least 1952 to 1958) and Funk’s Variety Store (circa 1964). More recently, the property was used by New Faces Masonry, a masonry repair and lead paint removal company.

Environmental Investigations and Actions

In September 2005, a Phase I environmental site assessment was completed on the property that recommended a subsurface investigation due to the presence of numerous 5-gallon and 55-gallon drums, most of which were unlabeled and some of which were labeled as “Hazardous Waste” and the presence of a 2 foot by 2 foot penetration in the concrete floor that appeared to be utilized as a crude drain for waste chemicals.

Current Status

On April 15, 2009, the Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) received an application from South Broadway Properties, LLC for the 608 South Regester Street property as a responsible person seeking a No Further Requirements Determination. On July 6, 2009, the VCP determined the application was incomplete and requested submittal of a work plan for sampling at the property within 60 days of receipt of the letter. On September 24, 2009, the VCP notified South Broadway Properties, LLC that the VCP application was denied due to failure to submit the requested work plan.

Contact

For additional information, please contact the Land Restoration Program at (410) 537-3493.

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