MD-124 Prince George's County

NATIONAL FENCE MANUFACTURING COMPANY Bladensburg, Maryland

1985 MDE prepared a Preliminary
Assessment and concluded no
further action is necessary.

Site Location

Street, Bladensburg, Prince George's County, Maryland. The site is in the middle of a large light industrial manufacturing area and the entire property is either paved or blacktop.

Site History

Jack Long owned and operated the facility from 1959 through 1968. The company occupied two blocks of buildings and open areas between 45th and 47th Streets and was bounded by Upsher and Tanglewood Avenues. In 1968, P&F Industries of Great Neck, New York purchased the entire property and operated as National Fence Manufacturing Co., Inc. until bankruptcy in 1981. Subsequently Merchant's Metals purchased the property and shut down the manufacturing operation, but retained the company's name, assets and liabilities.

Environmental Investigations

The National Fence Manufacturing Company, Inc. notified the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability act that all wastes generated between 1959 and 1981 were removed from the site by various truckers. In 1985, the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) prepared a *Preliminary Assessment* of the facility, noting that there appeared to be no place that waste could be buried or otherwise dumped and that no storm drains were observed on any streets surrounding the property. MDE concluded that no further action was needed at the site.

Current Status

On July 1, 1984, the Waste Management Administration of the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene published a Master List of all sites where the Department had reason to believe or had been notified that Controlled Hazardous Substances may be present. Subsequent to the publication of this list, the Department conducted further investigation of Department files and performed on-site investigations at a number of these sites. A status update was published in the Maryland Register on January 4, 1985. Based on this review, it was determined by the Administration that No Further Action at this site would be necessary and the site was deleted from the Master List. Since the site was also listed on EPA's Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Information System, a designation of No Further Remedial Action Planned by EPA would constitute a final decision by both the State and EPA based on the information that was available at the time.

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