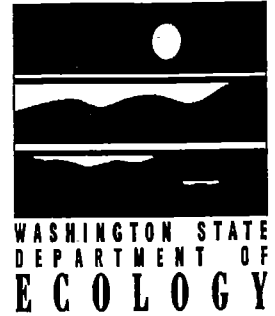


New City Cleaners, Richland Benton County



Draft Remedial Investigation Work Plan Available for Public Review

A Draft Remedial Investigation Work Plan has been submitted to the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) by Paul and Bettie Haverluk. The Draft Remedial Investigation Work Plan was submitted in accordance with an enforcement order issued by Ecology. The enforcement order, issued under terms of the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA, Chapter 70.105D RCW) requires a remedial investigation (RI) of solvent and petroleum-contaminated soil and ground water at the New City Cleaners site in Richland.

Ecology Wants Your Comments

You are invited to review and comment on the work plan through January 21, 1997. The public comment period presents an opportunity to have your ideas and comments heard by Ecology. The draft work plan is available at the information repositories at the locations listed in the box on the right. To review additional site documents contact Ecology's regional records center at (509) 454-7658 to schedule an appointment.

Please send your written comments to Chung Ki Yee, P.E., Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed in the box at the right. Ecology will review and respond to all comments received, and may revise the work plan based on the comments. Updates of site activities will be sent to those who submit comments or request to be placed on the site mailing list.

Site Background

The New City Cleaners site is located at 747 Steven drive in Richland, Washington. This is an on-going retail dry cleaning facility and is currently owned by Paul and Bettie Haverluk.

In April 1992, a site assessment at the adjacent facility, located at 701 Steven Drive, found tetrachloroethene (PCE) in ground water monitoring wells located south of the New City Cleaners' underground storage tanks. The solvent contamination is above the State of Washington Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) Method A cleanup level.

On 19 April 1992, the decommissioning of four underground storage tanks located at New City Cleaners was completed. The four underground storage tanks were reported to contain bunker oil, gasoline, tetrachloroethene and/or stoddard solvent. During the removal of the underground storage tanks, samples indicated contamination of soil and ground water with tetrachloroethene, trichloroethene, 1,2-dichloroethane, benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylenes, and total petroleum hydrocarbons.

In March 1993, the Washington Department of Ecology assigned a Site Hazard Ranking of one (1) for New City Cleaners. A score of one (1) represents the highest level of concern relative to other sites and a score of five (5) the lowest.

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What Is Being Done?

The Draft Remedial Investigation Work Plan identifies and describes the tasks for determining the nature, extent, and magnitude of site soil and ground water contamination. Ecology will oversee the project to ensure that all facets of the enforcement order are fulfilled.

What Happens Next?

Public comment on the work plan will be considered and if necessary the work plan may be modified based on the comments received. The work for the remedial investigation is expected to be completed by Fall 1997. Results of the RI will guide the feasibility study (FS)

and the selection of the final detailed cleanup action. Further formal public comment opportunities will occur after the RI is completed.

After the completion of the remedial investigation, Ecology will direct Paul and Bettie Haverluk to conduct a feasibility study (FS) to analyze site cleanup alternatives.

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