

Event summary:

- The foundry was built in the 1940's, and became Zandt Brass in 1951.
- Ed Lasecki purchased the property in 1970 and continued operations
- Steve Engstrom purchased the business in 1985 (Lasecki owned property)
- Ecology became aware of contamination issues in 1987
 - A neighbor, Seattle Steel, reported slag-like material being dumped/landfilled on the Zandt property and detected cyanide in their well that was reported to be downgradient of Zandt
- EPA conducted Preliminary Assessment in 1988
- Ecology determined Lasecki and Engstrom to be PLP's
- Ecology entered a Consent Decree, October 3, 1989
 - Required PLP to prepare a work plan
- Foundry operations ceased in 1990; A soil investigation was conducted under an Ecology approved work plan, and the presence of contaminated material was confirmed, containing high levels of copper, lead, and zinc (but no cyanide)
- Site work apparently stalled by litigation between PLP's
- Ecology requested a Health Inspection & EPA CERCLA conducted investigation in 1993
- EPA completed an investigation in 1994, and confirmed Ecology's findings, but did not list the site as 'Superfund'
- PLP's proposed a cleanup action under VCP in 1998
- Cleanup was conducted under VCP in 1999; an NFA was issued April 21, 2000, following public comment period to delist the site from the Hazardous Site List (HSL); no comments were received and the site was removed from the HSL
 - All metals contaminated soil was removed (no cyanide source was ever found)
 - Southwest Harbor (Superfund) and Seattle Steel sites are adjacent and downgradient to Zandt, no groundwater contamination was found on Zandt from grab samples, so groundwater was not considered a media of concern under VCP

Conclusion: The Consent Decree, Section XXIV - Certification of Completion, states "The defendants shall request Ecology to make a final determination that the work set forth in this Consent Decree has been completed". However, no request has ever been made by the PLP's and there has been no contact from them since 2000, so Ecology has not conducted further work or review of this site.