

Cordz Auto Electric Site to be removed from the Hazardous Site List

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) proposes to remove the Cordz Auto Electric site from the state's Hazardous Sites List. This site is located at 2411 Hewitt Avenue, Everett, Washington 98201.

The Cordz Auto Electric site was cleaned up under the Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP). Under the VCP, property owners can clean up their own property to meet the requirements of the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) with technical assistance from Ecology.

Ecology Wants Your Input

Ecology has determined that the cleanup work at Cordz Auto Electric site meets the requirements of the Model Toxics Control Act and therefore does not pose a threat to human health or the environment. Ecology proposes to remove the site from the Hazardous Sites list and seeks your input.

You are invited to:

Review the No Further Action Letter. Send your comments in writing to Ecology for consideration. Comments may be sent by mail or e-mail, with "**Cordz Auto Electric**" in the subject line. **Comments will be accepted from Nov. 13 - Dec. 14, 2009.**

Comments Accepted

November 13 – December 14, 2009

Submit Comments and Technical Questions to:

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Document review locations

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8:00 AM – 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Website

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/CordzAuto/CordzAuto_hp.html

Facility Site ID #: 2799

Site Background

This site is located immediately northeast of the intersection of Hewitt Avenue and Virginia Avenue in Everett, Washington. The central and eastern portions of the site are occupied by an asphalt-surfaced parking lot.

Historically, the site and surrounding property was used for commercial and residential use since around 1941. It was also used as lumber yards and for equipment rental until 1983 when it became Cordz Auto Electric. Surrounding properties included businesses such as a chrome electroplating facility located east of the site, a heavy equipment rental and servicing business located to the north, and a photo processing plant. The electroplating facility operated from the late 1970's through the late 1990's.

Based on available information, Ecology added the property to the Hazardous Site List in 1996. The site was selected for a Site Hazard Assessment (SHA) and subsequently ranked by the Washington Ranking Method (WARM). Snohomish Health District conducted a Site Hazard Assessment on July 11, 1996. The site was ranked a "5" and placed on the Washington State Hazardous Sites List due to evidence of soil contamination by metals and suspected groundwater contamination from petroleum products. This ranking is based on a scale of 1 to 5 where "1" represents the highest relative risk, and "5" represents the lowest relative risk. This ranking is designed to estimate the potential threat to human health and the environment relative to all other sites in Washington State.

Environmental Associates conducted subsurface soil sampling and testing of soils at the property in 2003 for the presence of diesel, heavy-oil range petroleum substances, total chromium and hexavalent chromium, polycyclic aromatic

hydrocarbons, polychlorinated biphenyls, and volatile organic compounds.

These subsurface investigations revealed that no concentrations of diesel or heavy-oil range total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPHs), total chromium, hexavalent chromium, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon (PAHs), polychlorinated biphenyl (PCBs), or volatile organic compounds were detected that exceeded state cleanup levels. Also, the investigations suggested that the potential for contamination of groundwater was low due to the deep ground water table. The cleanup levels for these contaminants that were tested and sampling in 1992 by RZA AGRA and in 1996 by the Snohomish County Health District meets the cleanup standards because the cleanup levels were revised in 2001. A No Further Action letter was issued on July 29, 2003 for the site.

What Happens Next?

After the 30-day public comment period, Ecology will review all comments received and make recommendations for any suggested changes to delisting the site from the Hazardous Sites List. If no significant changes are necessary, the site will be delisted.

A public meeting has not been scheduled at this time. However, one will be held if ten or more people request a meeting during the comment period. Please contact Nancy Lui to request a meeting at nlui461@ecy.wa.gov or at (425) 649-7117.

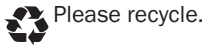


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**Ecology Seeks Public Comment on delisting Cordz Auto Electric site
from the Hazardous Site List**

**Public Comment Period
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