



Facts About...

GP66 Building Property
(Voluntary Cleanup Program)

Site Location

The 1.47-acre GP66 Building property is located at 1901 Portal Street in the Holabird Business Park in Baltimore City, Maryland. The property is bounded to the north by elevated railroad tracks, to the south by commercial buildings, to the east by a tributary to Colgate Creek and to the west by Portal Street. Improvements on the property include a one-story slab-on-grade brick building and asphalt paved parking area. The building was constructed in the late 1980s on the western portion of the property.

The property is relatively flat and slopes eastward toward an unnamed tributary to Colgate Creek. Depth to groundwater on the site is estimated to be approximately 8 feet. The site and surrounding area received public water and sanitary sewer services.

Site History

In 1917, the U.S. Army acquired the property from the Canon Company as part of a larger 96-acre tract. Prior to the U.S. Army acquisition, the property was used as a truck farm. Subsequent to the U.S. Army's purchase of the property, Camp Holabird, later renamed Fort Holabird, operated a military installation on the site until the post was closed in 1972. In 1977, the City of Baltimore acquired the property from the U.S. General Services Administration. In 1987, James and Iona Kaplanges acquired the property.

Environmental Investigations and Actions

Environmental investigations conducted in 2005 identified the elevated metals and PAHs in the soil and dissolved metals and diesel range organic petroleum hydrocarbons in the groundwater.

Current Status

On November 7, 2005, James and Iona Kaplanges submitted a Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) application seeking a No Further Requirements Determination (NFRD) as a responsible person. On January 18, 2006, the VCP issued a NFRD for commercial or industrial purposes with a prohibition on use of the groundwater for any purposes and certain requirements for excavation and disposal of soil at the property.

On January 27, 2006, STA – Portal, LLC, a prospective purchaser, submitted a VCP application for the property as an inculpable person. On February 8, 2006, the VCP issued an NFRD to STA – Portal, LLC for commercial or industrial purposes with a prohibition on use of the groundwater for any purpose and certain requirements for excavation and disposal of soil at the property.

Contact

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