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GREENWICH HIGH SCHOOL ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING UPDATE

Remedial Action Plan: Response to Agency Comments

Highlights: *The Town of Greenwich along with the Greenwich Public Schools Board of Education released the Draft Remedial Action Plan (RAP) for the Greenwich High School site in September 2013. This Plan provides the details for the environmental cleanup (called the Remedial Action) of the High School grounds based on the results of the extensive studies that have been completed.*

A public comment period for the RAP was held from September 5 through October 5, 2013. After review of public comments, the draft RAP was revised and provided to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the CT Department of Energy and the Environment (DEEP) for Agency review.

During their review, the Agencies requested additional information regarding groundwater conditions and future groundwater monitoring at the Site. This information was compiled and provided to the agencies on 18 February 2014. This document, called "Response to Comments on the RAP" can be found at: <http://www.greenwickschools.org/> -- see link for "GHS & MISA Environmental Testing & Reporting."

Response to Comments on the RAP

Since submittal of the RAP in November 2013, the Town of Greenwich and the Greenwich Public Schools Board of Education have continued to perform the monitoring activities outlined in the RAP and evaluate the resulting data. We continue to work with the regulatory agencies to make sure the Site remains safe for use, as well as adhere to the monitoring and maintenance program outlined in the RAP.

The "Response to Comments on the RAP" provided to the regulatory agencies on 18 February 2014 provides a summary of the data and evaluations that have been completed since the RAP submittal. These include:

- An analysis of groundwater elevation data at the site.
- A summary of data collected and analyzed as part of a groundwater/surface water interaction study and plans for additional study.

In addition, the regulatory agencies have requested that the groundwater monitoring network be reviewed and recommendations for enhancement be provided. Thus, the document also includes a review and recommendation for expansion of the current groundwater monitoring system so that groundwater flows and impacts may be evaluated in three dimensions.

Status of RAP

Agency review and comment, and response to those comments are typical steps in the RAP review process. The Town of Greenwich and the Greenwich Public Schools Board of Education are committed to working with regulators so that remediation can begin during the 2014 summer break.

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