

Public Meeting

Date: Tuesday, May 12, 2009

Time: 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Manhattan Center for Science and Mathematics
280 Pleasant Avenue, New York

Subject: Review of the Draft Alternatives Analysis Report (AAR) and Draft Site Management Plan (SMP) for East 115th Street Works (a former Manufactured Gas Plant Site)

Sponsored By: NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, the NYS Department of Health and Con Edison

Con Edison, together with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), is conducting an environmental investigation program on former Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) sites throughout the City. Manufactured gas plants were operated between the 1800s and mid-1900s, before the development of natural gas systems, to convert coal and oil into gas for heating, lighting and cooking.

At this public meeting the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) will be presenting the Draft Alternatives Analysis Report (AAR) and the Draft Site Management Plan (SMP) for East 115th Street, a former Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) site. This site is currently occupied by the Manhattan Center for Science and Mathematics High School and the Isaac Newton Middle School. The AAR is in response to an environmental investigation conducted by Con Edison that identified contaminated soil and groundwater at depth below the present surface of the site from the former MGP operations.

The draft AAR describes the proposed remedy which the NYSDEC and New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) have found to be approvable for the site, and it is now available for public review and comment. A complete set of documents can be found at www.coned.com/mgp.

Written comments will be accepted through Friday, June 12, 2009 and may be submitted to: William Ottaway, P.E., NYSDEC, 625 Broadway 11th Floor, Albany, NY 12233-7014. Phone: (866) 520-2334. Email: wsottawa@gw.dec.state.ny.us

If you have any questions about this meeting or Con Edison's program to address former manufactured gas plant sites, please call Con Edison at 877-602-6633 or visit Con Edison's website at www.coned.com/mgp.