



In conjunction with



Fact Sheet

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Hunts Point MGP Site – Operable Unit No. 3
Halleck Street Sidewalk Area
NYSDEC Site # V00554

Dear Interested Citizen:

This fact sheet is to inform you of the future site characterization activities planned for the former Hunts Point MGP Site.

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Introduction

Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (Con Edison), together with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), is providing this fact sheet on the upcoming investigation activities planned for a portion of the former Hunts Point Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) Site located at Food Center Drive, in Hunts Point, Bronx, New York (see Figure 1).

Project Status and Schedule

Con Edison has entered into a Voluntary Cleanup Agreement (VCA) with the NYSDEC to investigate, and if necessary, remediate potential impacts at former MGP sites. One of these MGP sites, is the former Hunts Point MGP Site. Portions of the former Hunts Point MGP Site were previously investigated and/or remediated. Currently, portions of the former Hunts Point MGP Site (including Operable Unit No. 3, the subject of this investigation) are owned by the City of New York for use as commercial warehouses, right of ways, and parking space.

Operable Unit No. 3 consists of the sidewalk and right of way of Halleck Street (Site). Halleck Street was historically the western most property boundary to the historical Hunts Point MGP operations (Figure 2).

During October 2013, site characterization activities will be performed at Operable Unit No. 3. Field activities will include the collection of soil and groundwater samples. During the field activities, a site specific community air monitoring program will be followed to ensure the nearby community is protected from potential off-site migration of site contaminants.

Investigation Goal

The primary goal of the Site Characterization Study is to evaluate whether contamination from MGP operations impact human health or the environment. If contamination from MGP operations is present, additional sampling may be needed to determine its nature and extent and the need for remediation.

Documents related to this project are available at the following locations:

Office of the Borough President, 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY 10451, 718-590-3500; **New York Public Library, Hunts Point Branch**, 877 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, NY 10459, 718-617-0338; **NYSDEC**, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233, 518-402-9768 and **NYSDEC Region 2**, 1 Hunter's Point Plaza, 47-40 21st Street, Long Island City, NY 11101-5407, 718-482-4900

If remedial planning is necessary based on the site characterization or subsequent remedial investigation results, the scope and basis for a remedial plan will be developed in cooperation with the NYSDEC and NYSDOH and presented to the public for review and comment.

Site Background

Con Edison operated the Hunts Point MGP Site as an MGP and gas holder station between 1926 and 1962. A large gas holder on the northern portion of the Gas Works was used until 1968, after which it was removed from service and demolished. The City of New York acquired the majority of the former Hunts Point Gas Work property in the late 1960s. The property was then transitioned into warehouse space for a wholesale food cooperative.

Reviews of historical aerial photos reveal the sidewalk and right of way of Halleck Street, the former boundary of the MGP, were not modified as part of redevelopment. It was extended to the south sometime after 1980 for use as an access road to the current Department of Corrections facility, located at the southwest portion of the Hunts Point Peninsula.

What are Former Manufactured Gas Plants?

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.

Public Involvement

Public understanding and involvement are an integral part of a successful investigation and remediation program. To provide you with the most up-to-date and accurate information regarding manufactured gas plants, Con Edison has created a series of informational resources including fact sheets, a toll-free hotline, and internet content at www.coned.com/mgp. Information can also be found at the NYSDEC website at www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/24904.html. In addition, a Citizen Participation Plan has been approved by the NYSDEC that outlines the steps to be taken to provide for public participation in the remedial program. Document repositories for site related documents have also been established so that concerned citizens can review available information.

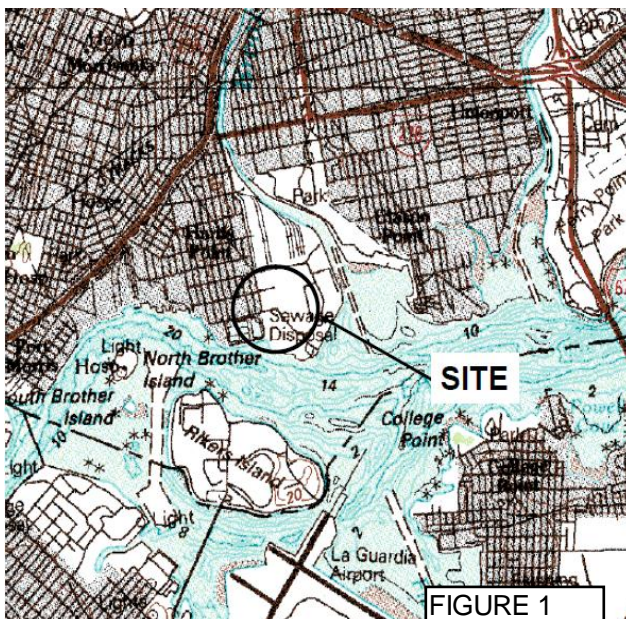


FIGURE 1
Site Location



FIGURE 2
Current Site Layout