The Dry-Cleaning Solvent Cleanup Act (DSCA)

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What is DSCA?
The Dry-Cleaning Solvent Cleanup Act (DSCA) Program was established to help fund the cleanup of contamination at dry-cleaning sites. Participation in the DSCA cleanup program is voluntary and is available to past and present facility owners, operators and property owners of both active and former dry-cleaning and wholesale solvent distribution facilities. DSCA also established minimum management practices that all dry-cleaning and wholesale solvent distribution facilities must follow in order to prevent environmental contamination.

What can DSCA do for me?

Funds for Cleanup
DSCA will pay most of the assessment and cleanup costs. You would be responsible for a $1,000 application fee when you enter the program and a small (1-2%) co-pay (see chart on the back of this brochure).

Cleanup Services
The DSCA Program assigns your site to one of its independent, state-contracted environmental engineering firms. A DSCA project manager oversees the activities of the firm as they determine the extent and degree of contamination and, if necessary, implement cleanup action.

Liability Protection
DSCA protects you from being ordered by other state agencies to clean up the dry-cleaning contamination at your own expense.

Risk-based Cleanups
DSCA cleanups use risk-based standards. These standards are calculated for each site and are dependent on what receptors (e.g. drinking wells and surface water), if any, are being threatened by the contamination. The result is that cleanup goals may be more readily achievable and site cleanups may be completed more quickly.

Property Marketability
Program participation can help remove the stigma of contaminated property and may facilitate property transactions, development, and/or reuse.

How to Get Started
If dry-cleaning solvent contamination is found on your site, complete and submit a DSCA Petitioner Questionnaire (found at https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/waste-management/dry-cleaning-solvent_cleanup_act_program). Laboratory results documenting contaminated soil or groundwater qualify as acceptable evidence of contamination. Be sure that you are operating in compliance with all DSCA Minimum Management Practices (MMPs), and that all solvent taxes have been paid. Visit the DSCA website for more information.

**IMPORTANT**
All operating dry-cleaning facilities and wholesale solvent distribution facilities must comply with DSCA’s Minimum Management Practices even if the facility does not wish to participate in the DSCA cleanup program.

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For more information:
Please be aware that this fact sheet outlines significant program components and is not a comprehensive program description. For more details, visit: https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/waste-management/dry-cleaning-solvent_cleanup-act-program
You may contact the DSCA Program for additional details. Applicable regulations are found in NCGS 143-215.104A et seq. and 15A NCAC 02S.

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FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF PETITIONERS FOR SITES ELIGIBLE FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA DRY-CLEANING SOLVENT CLEANUP FUND

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All site costs above $1,000,000 are covered by the DSCA Fund.

*Amounts include petitioner's $1,000 application fee.
**Abandoned facilities are closed dry-cleaning facilities (including previously operating facilities that are currently pick-up only or "dry" stores).

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