Dry-Cleaning Solvent Cleanup Act (DSCA) Program Stakeholder Update December 2013

The following DSCA Program Stakeholder Work Group update covers October-December 2013.

Meeting Minutes

The September 17, 2013 Stakeholder meeting minutes are located on the DSCA website at www.ncdsca.org, under News & Events, DSCA Stakeholder Work Group Information. If you have corrections or comments, please email Pete Doorn at peter.doorn@ncdenr.gov.

Staffing News

No staffing updates to report.

Fund Statistics

Fund receipts for the first quarter of FY 2013-14 (July – September 2013) were \$2,086,572.05, which is consistent with quarterly receipts over the previous three quarters. Disbursements for July – September 2013 were \$4,208,097.96, representing an increase over the previous quarter of 57%. This increase was due to an increase in contractor payments for a number of large remediation projects. The DSCA Fund balance as of September 30, 2013 was nearly \$10.4 million, with approximately \$4.9 million encumbered in contracts and another \$1.1 million pending encumbrance. A summary of the fund statistics for July 1, 2013 through September 3, 2013 is available on the DSCA website at www.ncdsca.org, under News & Events, DSCA Stakeholder Work Group Information.

DENR Initiatives

Website Improvements

The programs within the Superfund Section, including DSCA are revising the organization of their webpages with the intent of providing improved accessibility to program information. These changes are expected to be implemented in the coming months.

Records Management

DSCA has uploaded reports into a document management system called Documentum. This system has a web-based interface called CARA which can be accessed at https://edm.nc.gov/DENR-Portal/. CARA allows users to enter specific search criteria to find reports and documents. Additional information with instructions and tips for using CARA is available on the DSCA website.

Remediation Program

Closures

During this quarter, four additional clean-up sites were granted "No Further Action" (NFA) status, bringing the total number of closed DSCA sites to 37. The latest NFA letters were issued for \$2.50 Crystal Cleaners in Winston-Salem (DC340016), Medlin-Davis at Kidds Hill in Raleigh (DC920022), Shannon Cleaners in Durham (DC320012), and Columbia Laundry in Greensboro (DC410028). A complete list of closed DSCA clean-up sites can be found at www.ncdsca.org, under News & Events, No Further Action Sites.

Cleanup Site Notes

On December 5, 2013, the Program held an information session for community members interested in the status of remediation at the One Hour Martinizing site (DC320013) at 1103 West Club Boulevard in Durham. During the session, program staff and the state-lead contractor provided a summary of the remediation work completed to date, a description the next phase of activities, and answered questions. The soil remediation completed during 2012, involved removing highly impacted soil and placing a remediation agent, Daramend in the excavation to promote contaminant degradation at the water table. Groundwater samples collected after the soil remediation showed a tremendous reduction in PCE concentrations at the water table in the area of the excavation. In accordance with the DENR approved Remedial Action Plan, the next remedial phase involves injection of an amendment called EHC (an injectable version of Daramend) in the areas with the highest PCE concentrations in groundwater. The objective is to reduce PCE concentrations in groundwater in order to reduce the risks of vapor intrusion at the source property and surrounding properties. The groundwater injection is currently anticipated to begin on January 6th, 2014. More information on the activities at the site is available on the program's website, www.ncdsca.org, under Public Information Links.

Contracts

The environmental engineering services contracts with ATC and AECOM are in place.

Vapor Intrusion

In April 2013, the US EPA released for external review their "Final Guidance for Assessing and Mitigating the Vapor Intrusion Pathway from Subsurface Sources to Indoor Air". Following the release of the draft EPA guidance, the Division undertook to complete its vapor intrusion guidance with Delonda Alexander as the lead. Final revisions to the guidance are underway. Delonda will be making a presentation on the Division's new guidance during the AEG Vapor Intrusion Conference in Cary on Jan. 23-24, 2014 (http://www.aegcarolinas.org/).

Next Stakeholder Work Group Meeting

Important: Due to a scheduling conflict with the meeting room, please note that the next meeting is scheduled for **10:00 am** on **Wednesday, March 12th**, **2014**, in the 1st Floor Training Room in the DENR Green Square Building located at 217 West Jones Street in Raleigh. An agenda will be made available prior to the March meeting.