

**Dry-Cleaning Solvent Cleanup Act (DSCA) Program
Stakeholder Update
Summer 2017**

The following DSCA Program Stakeholder Work Group update covers April - June 2017.

Meeting Minutes

The April 20, 2017 Stakeholder meeting minutes are located on the DSCA website at www.ncdsca.org, under the DSCA Stakeholder Work Group link. If you have corrections or comments, please email Pete Doorn at peter.doorn@ncdenr.gov.

Staffing News

The DSCA Program is in the process of hiring a new inspector for the Compliance Program's Environmental Senior Specialist position.

Fund Statistics

A summary of the fund statistics for July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 is available on the DSCA website at www.ncdsca.org, under the DSCA Stakeholder Work Group link. Fund receipts for FY2016-2017 (July 2016 – June 2017) were \$8,393,644.71, while disbursements for the same period were \$7,349,688.20. As of June 30, 2017, the DSCA Fund balance was \$6,666,041.56, with \$2,931,226.93 encumbered in environmental engineering contracts. Funds are encumbered into active contracts as needed and as funds become available.

Remediation Program

Closures

Since the April 20, 2017 Stakeholder meeting, two additional clean-up sites were granted "No Further Action" (NFA) status, bringing the total number of closed DSCA sites to 70. The latest NFA letters were issued for Master Kleen in Greensboro (DC410007) and Brookside Cleaners and Laundry in Raleigh (DC920039). A complete list of closed DSCA clean-up sites can be found at www.ncdsca.org, under DSCA Active Dry-cleaning and Remediation Site Inventories.

An additional 52 DSCA sites are undergoing preparations for closure, which include a detailed human health risk assessment, preparation of a site-wide risk management plan, and a period to solicit and collect public comments on the site management strategy. Sites that are in public comment can be found at www.ncdsca.org, under the link for Public Notices and Announcements.

Additional Items

DSCA Milestone

DSCA 20-Year anniversary is almost here. The Dry-Cleaning Solvent Cleanup Act of 1997 Act was signed into law on August 14th, 1997 by Governor Jim Hunt. Today, the DSCA Program is a nationally recognized state dry-cleaning program, and its success can largely be attributed to:

- having a strong, collaborative stakeholder involvement process;
- developing a protective, risk-based approach to assessment and cleanup;
- successfully remediating many properties to allow for beneficial redevelopment; and
- establishing a multi-regulatory oversight program highly centered on customer service.

DSCA is working with Division and DEQ personnel to plan a public event to acknowledge this milestone. As planning progresses, more details will be provided.

DSCA Re-Authorization

There was no further movement on DSCA reauthorization during the recent legislative session. Re-authorization may be considered in another bill during a special session this summer or during next year's short session.

New Online ePayment Option

DSCA is now offering an option to pay petitioner invoices online. The new ePayment option accepts: (i) fund transfers from your bank account (no processing fee); (ii) MasterCard, Visa, or Discover credit cards (2.65% processing fee); and (iii) debit cards (\$3.95 flat processing fee). For more information, visit the DSCA website or go directly to DSCA's ePayment page at: <http://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/waste-management/dry-cleaning-solvent-cleanup-act-program/dsca-epayments>. DSCA plans to start sending petitioner update letters (and invoices as appropriate) during September 2017.

Next Stakeholder Work Group Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for **10:00 am** on **Thursday, October 26, 2017**, in the 1st Floor Training Room in the DEQ Green Square Building located at 217 West Jones Street in Raleigh. An agenda will be made available prior to the October meeting.