

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

Stratford Army Engine Plant
Stratford, Connecticut

April 2010

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General

The public participation measures presented below demonstrate how the Stratford Army Engine Plant (SAEP) is in compliance with the requirements of the Stewardship Permit Section II.B.12, which requires the SAEP to prepare a public participation plan describing how public notification requirements will be met. This plan meets the requirements of CGS Section 22a-134 and 40 CFR 124.10, which applies to hazardous waste sites.

SAEP is an inactive engine manufacturing facility. The buildings are unoccupied with exception of limited usage of office and floor space in Building 1 and Building 12. Employees include Security Officers, the Installation Manager located in Building 1 and maintenance staff in Building 12. Contractors enter the facility to conduct repairs and perform routine maintenance.

Public Notice Requirements

Public Notice will be provided consistent with Condition No II.B.13 of the Stewardship Permit. Public notice is required before the start of, or completion of, remediation work.

Notice of Proposed Plan

SAEP will provide public notice of proposed remediation: The public notice will include the following information: (1) a summary of the investigations conducted, (2) the results of the investigations, (3) clear identification of the proposed remedial activities, and (4) the forty-five (45) calendar day period for public comment from the day of publication. In addition, the public notice will provide information regarding a public location where relevant documents will be available for review as well as the address and phone number for a contact person.

A copy of the notice will be submitted to the Commissioner (details) ten (10) calendar days prior to the date of publication.

The notice will be published in a local newspaper with substantial circulation such as the Connecticut Post (daily) and the Stratford Star (weekly).

The notice will be broadcast on WICC AM radio in Bridgeport, CT during high volume listening times on the same day the notice is published in the newspaper.

A copy of the notice will be sent to:

Stratford Health Department
Director Lisa Pippa
468 Birdseye Street
Stratford, CT 06615

A copy of the notice will be sent to all individuals on the Facility mailing list which will be updated pursuant to 40 CFR 124.10(c)(1)(ix) as appropriate. The mailing list will include local and state officials, media representatives, local environmental and civic organizations, neighbors and citizens groups.

A six (6) foot by four (4) foot sign will be erected at SAEP for thirty (30) calendar days. The sign will be visible from Main Street, Stratford and read:” ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP IN PROGRESS AT THIS SITE. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT (telephone number to be provided)”.

SAEP will prepare a written summary of all comments received during the comment period and the responses to each comment. The summary will be submitted to the Commissioner within thirty (30) calendar days after the end of the comment period.

The Commissioner shall review the summary of comments and will either adopt the responses, adopt the responses with modifications, or reject the responses and prepare a new response to each comment.

In case there are significant changes to the proposed plan, the Commissioner may extend the public comment period.

Notice of Completion of Remediation

SAEP will provide notice that remediation is complete prior to the Commissioner's final Determination. The notice will include a summary of the basis of the Commissioners Determination.

The notice will state that the Commissioner will accept comments on the Determination for a period of forty-five (45) calendar days from the day of publication.

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The Commissioner will make a final determination upon the completion of the public comment period. If the final determination is that the remediation is complete then the Stewardship permit will be terminated.