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collected samples from the property in December 2018. EPA received final sampling results in March 2019 indicating elevated levels of PCBs and volatile organic compounds in soil and pond sediment. As a result, EPA collected samples from the surrounding environment later in 2019. In March 2019, EPA collected samples from 26 groundwater wells in the vicinity of the property, including a Village of Nassau public supply well. The groundwater sampling results showed no contaminant detections above federal or state drinking water standards in any of the wells. EPA also conducted additional soil sampling in May 2019, which revealed detections of PCBs in soil at two adjacent properties. EPA has communicated the sampling results with the residents and local officials. The data collected in 2019 confirmed that past releases of hazardous substances had occurred at the site.

EPA will continue to communicate the sampling results from the upcoming work as future cleanup activities are considered.

Upcoming Removal Action Investigation Work

On March 5, 2020, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the General Electric Company (GE) signed a legal agreement, referred to as an Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent. This agreement requires GE to conduct sampling to delineate the nature and extent of contamination at the Route 203 site in the Town of Nassau, New York. It consists of soil, sediment and groundwater sampling at 5225-5139 Route 203 (the property) and two adjacent properties, including an assessment of potential off-property transport mechanisms such as surface and groundwater flow. The agreement also calls for investigating an underground storage tank for hazardous substances, including polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). The agreement includes additional soil sampling at two neighboring properties. EPA is overseeing the investigation field work, which is scheduled to begin in March 2020 and continue through summer 2020. A summary report of the investigation results is scheduled to be submitted to EPA in late 2020. The investigation results will be used to determine the scope of any additional investigation and/or cleanup activities at the site.

Background

The Route 203 site is located near the intersection of Route 203 and Sweets Crossing Road in Nassau, New York. The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation indicated that the property may have been used historically for waste oil handling and disposal activities. EPA performed an assessment of the property in October 2018 and subsequently



In May 2017, EPA established a task force to restore the Superfund program to its rightful place at the center of the Agency's core mission to protect health and the environment.

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