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Current Activities

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) received authorization on February 12, 2020 to conduct an emergency action at TechCity, an active industrial park, after receiving a request for assistance from Ulster County officials. EPA mobilized cleanup contractors to the site in late March and completed the demolition and off-site disposal of an asbestos contaminated, partially demolished structure identified as Building 2. EPA also secured the exterior of an additional building, Building 1, by repairing barriers, installing temporary fencing, and posting asbestos warning signs. EPA may also re-cover or augment the current tarps covering three large stockpiles of regulated asbestos contaminated debris generated during the demolition of an additional building identified as Building 25.

Site Background

The TechCity site is a former IBM production facility that operated for more than 30 years at 300 Enterprise Drive. The site is bordered by residential properties to the north and south, an active rail spur and commercial properties to the east, and undeveloped land to the west.

The site has undergone significant demolition as part of the redevelopment efforts by TechCity's owner/operators. During demolition activities, the owner/operators used improper asbestos abatement practices that resulted in the release of regulated asbestos containing materials (RACM) as determined by the NY State Department of Labor (NYSDOL). The RACM is present in the interior of Building 1, Building 2, and the debris piles generated from the demolition of Building 25.

Since the Ulster County request in May 2017, and in coordination with NYSDOL, EPA has worked with the current owner/operators to cover the RACM piles to mitigate the public health threat posed by the release of asbestos, as well as conducting other activities at the site. On December 11, 2019, EPA issued a Notice of Potential Liability and Request to Perform Response Action under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) to the owner/operators of the property and other potentially responsible parties. EPA took action to protect public health when they failed to comply with the request.



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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