

**CSX FORMER BOLT AND FORGE FACILITY
Cumberland, Maryland**

Site Location

This 33-acre property is located in the Rolling Mill area near downtown Cumberland, Maryland. CSX Transportation, Inc. purchased the property from Mount Clare Property, Inc. in 1987. Mount Clare Property, Inc. purchased the parcels from the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company in 1983. Residences, commercial businesses, and a CSX rail yard bound the property and drinking water is provided by a municipal supply system.

Site History

From 1920 to the early 1970s, the property was used for steel bolt fabrication and metal forging. Afterward, for a period of approximately ten years, the site reportedly housed Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company's engineering department. Site use prior to 1920 is unknown. A rolling mill, bolt and forge shop, metal fabrication shop, machine shop, metal store house, shear shed, filing shed, garages, and water-pump house formerly existed on the property but were razed in the mid-1980s.

Environmental Investigations and Actions

In September and October 1996, CSX's environmental consultant, Earth Tech Remediation Services (Earth Tech), investigated soil and groundwater conditions at the site. Five distinct areas of soil contamination with volatile organic compounds, polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons, and petroleum hydrocarbons were identified. In general, the soil contamination extends to a depth of approximately ten feet and is most concentrated in two 2-acre areas in the center of the northeastern half of the property. Earth Tech's investigation also identified elevated levels of dissolved metals and chlorinated volatile organic compounds in the groundwater beneath the site.

On October 9, 1997, the Department accepted the property into the VCP. On December 19, 1997, the Department approved CSX's response action plan designed to address the soil and groundwater contamination at the property. On December 11, 1997, the Department approved a VCP application submitted by the Ahold Real Estate Company seeking inculpable person status for the purchase of 11.5 acres of the CSX property. Ahold subsequently requested that its application be amended to change the participant to ARC Cumberland LLC (ARC).

In October 1998, ARC Cumberland LLC formally applied for property tax credits through the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development's (DBED) Brownfields Revitalization Incentive Program. The property was formally accepted by DBED on December 29, 1998 making it the first property to be approved for participation in the program.

Site remediation activities have been completed on the 11.5-acre parcel and a new supermarket shopping center is in operation on the property. On November 8, 1999, the Department issued a Certificate of Completion for the 11.5-acre parcel. The certificate is

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conditioned on the continued commercial use of the property and the implementation of certain physical maintenance requirements.

On January 22, 2003, the Department approved a VCP application submitted by Autozone, Inc. seeking inculpable person status for the purchase of 2.11 acres of the CSX property, which the applicant intends to develop into an automotive supply store. As part of the approval, Autozone was required to conduct its site development in accordance with CSX's approved RAP. Development of the Autozone store is underway and a final sign-off will be granted once all of the engineering controls required by the RAP have been implemented.

On February 25, 2003, the Department approved a VCP application submitted by CFA-NC Townridge Square, LLC for the purchase of 0.93 acre of the CSX property, which the applicant intends to develop into a Chick-fil-A fast food restaurant. As part of the approval, CFA-NC was required to conduct its site development in accordance with CSX's approved RAP. Development of the restaurant is underway and a final sign-off will be granted once all of the required engineering controls have been implemented.

Current Status

CSX will perform remediation activities on the remaining 18.5 acres of the site as further sections of the property are purchased and developed. CSX will receive final sign-off once the RAP requirements have been implemented on the all portions of the property.

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