



# ***Facts About...***

8655 Pulaski Highway Property  
(Voluntary Cleanup Program)

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## **Site Location:**

This 6.07-acre property consists of two contiguous parcels located at 8655 and 8665 Pulaski Highway in the Rosedale section of Baltimore. The property consists of a retail building and a paved parking lot. Overland flow from the property discharges to Stemmers Run via an on-site storm water management system. Municipal water and sanitary sewer services are provided to the property and the vicinity.

## **Site History:**

Prior to 1947, the property was a vacant lot. In 1947, the Glenn F. Gall Lumber Company purchased the property and developed it into a lumberyard. The property was sold in 1970, and in 1974, a McDonalds Restaurant was built on the 8655 Pulaski Highway portion of the property. In 1980, the 8665 Pulaski Highway portion of the property was developed into a Hechingers Store, which closed in 1994.

After 1994, the building was either vacant or used for a shipping and receiving operation. In 2000, the McDonalds restaurant was closed and building was demolished in 2005. In July 2003, 8655 Pulaski Joint Venture LLC, the current property, owner purchased the property.

## **Environmental Investigations and Actions:**

In April 2005, a subsurface exploration and geo-technical evaluation was conducted at the 8655 Pulaski Highway parcel. During drilling of the geo-technical borings, soils with a petroleum odor were encountered. In August 2005, the Phase II soil and ground water investigation indicated soil and ground water were contaminated by heavy metals and petroleum compounds with the highest concentrations on the 8655 Pulaski Highway parcel.

In September 2006, supplemental indoor air samples were collected from the new building upon completion of the structure. The toxicological data screen did not indicate any risks to future commercial populations from petroleum compounds in indoor air.

## **Current Status:**

On August 31, 2005, 8655 Pulaski Joint Venture, LLC submitted a Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) application for the property seeking a Certificate of Completion as an inculpable person. On January 26, 2006, the Department accepted the property into the program pending completion of a response action plan. A public meeting was held on February 21, 2006 at the Essex Library and no members of the public attended. The Certificate of Completion was issued on December 6, 2006 and was recorded in the Baltimore County land record on January 8, 2007.



## **Planned or Potential Future Action**

The proposed future use of the property is commercial.

## **Contact**

For additional information, please contact the Land Restoration Program at (410) 537-3493.

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