



# Facts About...

Baltimore Goodwill Industries  
(Voluntary Cleanup Program)

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## Site Location

The 3.91-acre Baltimore Goodwill Industries property is located at 4001 Southwestern Boulevard in Baltimore, Baltimore County, Maryland. It is a commercial property improved with one three-story building. The remainder of the property is primarily paved or gravel parking areas.

The property is bounded to the north by an undeveloped, wooded lot, to the south by a residence and a service station, to the east by railroad tracks and industrial use, to the west by Southwest Boulevard with an auto parts store, convenience store and a restaurant beyond.

## Site History

The property was undeveloped prior to construction of the existing building in 1946. The building was used for auto parts distribution from 1946 until 1969 when Goodwill purchased the property from the auto parts distributor. Goodwill used the property as a distribution and collection center for used clothing and household goods. Dry cleaning operations took place on the third floor of the building for approximately 20 years between 1969 and 1989.

Three underground storage tanks (USTs) were located on the property. Two 10,000-gallon #6 heating oil tanks were located on the northeast portion of the warehouse and were abandoned in place in 1990. One former gasoline UST of unknown size was located on the southern side of the building.

## Environmental Investigations and Actions

In November 1999, a Phase I & Limited Phase II Environmental Site Assessment was completed that noted three 55-gallon containers of unidentified liquid on the southern portion of the property, historic presence of USTs, and the previous presence of dry cleaning operations as areas of environmental concern. Groundwater samples detected tetrachloroethene (PCE) in the groundwater.

In March 2000, a Supplemental Phase II ESA to characterize soils beneath the building and provide data on the direction of groundwater flow and evaluation impacts from PCE detected in the groundwater. Groundwater results were consistent with the previous investigation. Benzo(a)pyrene was present at elevated levels in one soil sample.

In May 2000, four additional soil samples and one additional groundwater sample were collected to meet VCP requirements. In one surface soil sample, elevated concentrations of bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate and lead were detected. The groundwater sample was consistent with previous samples.

## Current Status

On March 21, 2000, Siena Development Corporation submitted an application as an inculpable person seeking a No Further Requirements Determination. On August 11, 2000, the VCP issued



a No Further Requirements Determination for the property for limited residential, commercial or industrial purposes with a prohibition on use of the groundwater beneath the property for any purpose.

**Contact**

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

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