

FACTS ABOUT: MCS Baltimore

Environment

Site Location

The MCS Baltimore Site is located at 605 Pittman Road in northern Anne Arundel County. The site is adjacent to Arundel Cove, off Curtis Creek, a tributary to the Patapsco River. It is situated approximately 20 feet above mean sea level. The roughly rectangular shaped 21.13 acre parcel of land is bounded to the west by Arundel Cove, to the east by a manufacturing plant, to the north by Pittman Road and to the south by a wooded lot. General surface features consist of a relatively flat parcel graded to provide some slope and swales to direct movement of storm waters away from the building structures and towards Arundel Cove and Curtis Creek. A warehouse/shop structure is currently located on the site.

The geographic coordinates are latitude 039° 11' 39" north and longitude 076° 33' 57" west. The Maryland grid coordinates are north 496,000 feet and east 923,000 feet.

Site History

The site is situated in an area that has been used for industrial purposes since the 1800s. Historical research indicates that the site was originally part of Pittsburgh Des Moines Steel Company (PDM). In 1993, PDM sold the 605 Pittman Road property to Methone Holdings who in turn transferred it to EJL Holdings later in the same year. MCS operated a trailer repair and rental facility on the 605 Pittman Road parcel through the late 1990s. EJL transferred the property to CIANBRO in January 2002.

Environmental Investigations

In 1997, the EPA, working in conjunction with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), processed a search warrant on the site. This search warrant was obtained following a confidential informant's reports of the illegal storage and dumping of hazardous waste at the MCS Baltimore facility by site personnel. No improper storage or handling of materials was found at the site but the drums were removed anyway. It was concluded that the initial report was not valid and likely the product of a disgruntled former employee.

The On-Scene Coordinator (OSC) report for the MCS Baltimore site listed the location of the site as 605 Pittman Road in Glen Burnie, Anne Arundel County, Maryland. MCS



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Baltimore is no longer in operation at 605 Pittman Road. Currently, 605 Pittman Road is occupied by the CIANBRO Corporation. The property was part of a larger PDM parcel that was subdivided in the 1980s.

There are no records of Phase I or II environmental studies having been done for the area. MDE conducted a Preliminary Assessment (PA) of the site in 2005. The PA recommended further investigation to ensure that there was no contamination from previous site operations. MDE conducted a Site Inspection in 2009 that did not reveal significant environmental contamination.

Current Status

CIANBRO Corporation acquired this parcel in January 2002, and operates a marine heavy equipment facility at the site. The site is also the location of the CIANBRO Mid-Atlantic headquarters. EPA has given the site a No Further Remedial Action Planned designation.



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