



**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**State Superfund Program**

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**Site Name:** New Cassel/Hicksville Ground Water Contamination

**June 18, 2013**

**Site No.** 130215

**Site Location:** Towns of Hempstead, North Hempstead, and Oyster Bay, in Nassau County, New York

**Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Site Classification Notice**

The Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Site Program (the State Superfund Program) is the State's program for identifying, investigating, and cleaning up sites where the disposal of hazardous waste may present a threat to public health and/or the environment. The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) maintains a list of these sites in the Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Sites (the "Registry"). The site identified above, and located on the map below, was recently added to the Registry as a Class 2 site that presents a significant threat to public health and/or the environment for the following reason(s):

The site is listed on the United States Environmental Protection Agency's National Priorities List. According to New York State Environmental Conservation Law, a site on the NPL must also be on the Registry. This classification will comply with this requirement.

In a letter dated December 27, 2010, the DEC requested that the EPA nominate to the EPA's National Priorities List the area encompassing contaminated groundwater migrating from the New Cassel Industrial Area Sites, Off-site Groundwater South of the New Cassel Industrial Area, Operable Unit No. 3; the General Instruments Corp., Site No. 130020, Operable Unit 2; and the 70-140 Cantiague Rock Rd./Former Sylvania, Site No. V00089, Operable Unit 2. EPA listed the New Cassel/Hicksville Groundwater Contamination Site (the "Site") to the NPL on September 16, 2011.

The Site is considered a widespread area of groundwater contamination located beneath a mixed-use suburban area within the Towns of Hempstead, North Hempstead, and Oyster Bay, in Nassau County, New York. The groundwater contamination, primarily tetrachloroethene (PCE) and trichloroethene (TCE), is generally the result of discharged wastes originating from several sites within the New Cassel Industrial Area, the General Instruments site, the Former Sylvania site, and other properties. While source-related soils were excavated from several of the sites, PCE and TCE remain in groundwater at concentrations exceeding standards, criteria, and guidance values in some areas. Local groundwater is the sole source aquifer for the public water supplies within the Site. The Site presents a significant threat to public health due to the potential for contaminants in groundwater to impact public water supply well fields that currently do not have treatment systems on them sufficient to eliminate this threat. Currently, the public wells are monitored (and treated if necessary to remove contaminants) before water is distributed to consumers.

DEC will keep you informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

**If you own property adjacent to this site and are renting or leasing your property to someone else, please share this information with them. If you no longer wish to be on the contact list for this site or otherwise need to correct our records, please contact DEC's Project Manager listed below.**

**FOR MORE SITE INFORMATION**

Additional information about this site can be found using DEC's "Environmental Site Remediation Database Search" engine which is located on the internet at: [www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/xtapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3](http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/xtapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3)

Comments and questions are always welcome and should be directed as follows:

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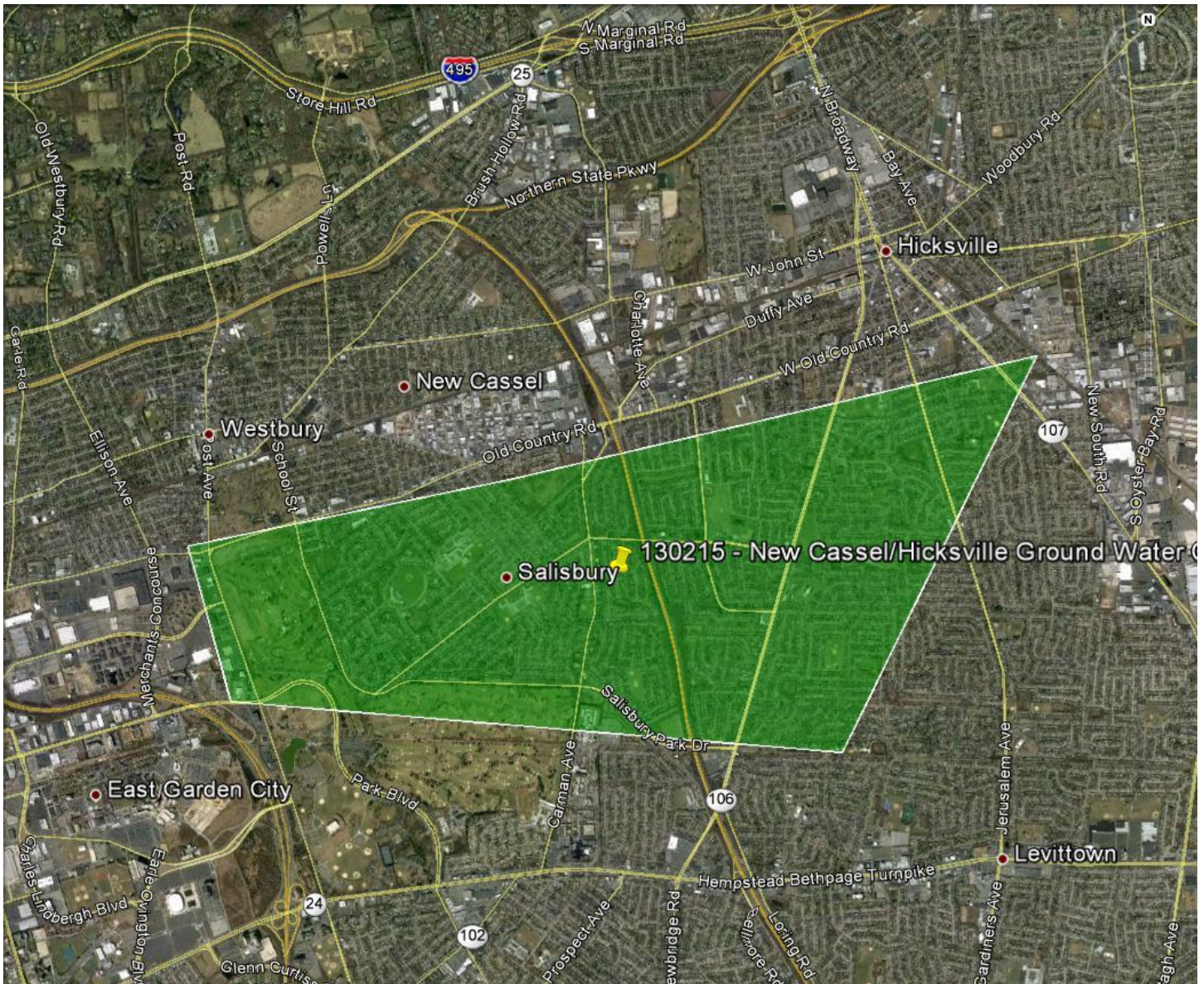
DEC is sending you this notice in accordance with Environmental Conservation Law Article 27, Title 13 and its companion regulation (6 NYCRR 375-2.7(b)(6)(ii)) which requires the Department to notify all parties on the contact list for this site of this recent action.



## Approximate Site Location

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### Receive Site Updates by Email

Have site information such as this public notice sent right to your email inbox. DEC invites you to sign up with one or more contaminated sites county email listservs available at the following web page:

[www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html) . It's *quick*, it's *free*, and it will help keep you *better informed*.



As a listserv member, you will periodically receive site-related information/announcements for all contaminated sites in the county(ies) you select.

You may continue also to receive paper copies of site information for a time after you sign up with a county listserv, until the transition to electronic distribution is complete.

**Note:** Please disregard if you received this notice by way of a county email listserv.