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DEQ Requests Comments on Proposed No Further Action for the Arcoa Building in Portland

HOW TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT

Facility/property: Arcoa Building

Project location: 1006 SE Grand Avenue in Portland

Comments due by: May 10, 2024, at 5 p.m.

Submit written comments:

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Proposal highlights: The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality requests comments on a proposed No Further Action determination for the Arcoa Building property at 1006 SE Grand Avenue in Portland.

If approved, the determination would certify that no further investigation or cleanup of contamination at the property is necessary, conditioned upon adherence to restrictions recorded with the property. The determination is based on the proposed use of the property as described below and is protective of human health and the environment.

Background: The Arcoa Building is a three-story office building constructed in 1907. Allyn's Cleaning & Dyeing operated from a storefront on the south side of the Arcoa Building from about 1909 to 1959. Environmental investigations beginning in December 2012 have identified Stoddard solvent in soils and groundwater beneath the former Allyn's Cleaning & Dyeing site. Additional volatile contaminants, including chlorinated solvents, chloroform, benzene, and ethylbenzene, are present in the soil, groundwater, and soil gas.

To address risks posed by the volatile contaminants, the owners of the Arcoa Building installed a sub-slab depressurization system to capture sub-slab vapors and soil gas vapors and vent them above the roofline to the outside air. A deed restriction will be recorded with the property requiring current and future owners of the building to operate and maintain the system until further investigation or cleanup demonstrates that the system is no longer necessary to protect human health.

The Stoddard solvent is present in soils at concentrations that could pose a risk to future construction workers. To address this risk, an additional restriction will be recorded with the property requiring that any subsurface construction work be conducted in accordance with a DEQ-approved Contaminated Media Management Plan.

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The next step: DEQ will consider all public comments received by the date and time stated above before making a final decision regarding the proposed No Further Action determination.

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