

NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD Victor Park (Eastern Portion) site Greer, South Carolina

SCDES (the South Carolina Department of Environmental Services) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract through December 22.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, 24-7780-NRP, will affect approximately 8.5 acres located at 102 Park Avenue, 108 South Line Street, 2, 3, and 410 Moore Street, and 401-405 Trade Street, Greer, South Carolina. The property is further identified by Greenville County Tax Map Serial Numbers G027000201600, G027000201700, G027000201800, G027000200301, G027000200101, G027000200102, G027000200100, and G027000600100. A company known as TMG Victor Park Owner, LLC (TMG), wants to acquire the property and will develop it for multi-family residential.

The property was the location of the Greer Cotton Seed Oil and Fertilizer Co. Plant for several decades. The past use of the property may have caused environmental pollution on the property.

SCDES uses Voluntary Cleanup Contracts to encourage productive reuse of Brownfield sites. If this Voluntary Cleanup Contract is implemented, SCDES will allow TMG to acquire the property as a "Brownfields Site" because of the potential for environmental pollution from past activity on the property.

SCDES will not hold TMG responsible for pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under the proposed contract, TMG will test soil and groundwater on the property. If significant contamination is found, TMG will be required to take steps to protect human health and the environment. TMG did not create the pollution, but will control it to keep the property safe for re-use. Under State law, TMG will not be responsible if anyone has been affected by the contamination. The responsibility of former owners or operators of the property is not reduced by this contract.

The proposed contract is available at https://des.sc.gov/PublicNotices. Printed copies may be obtained from the SCDES Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

The public may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed contract through December 22. Questions or comments may be directed to Chris Stanbery, Project Manager, by e-mail at christopher.stanbery@des.sc.gov telephone (803) 898-0924, or TOLL-FREE at (866)576-3432. Written comments should be directed to Chris Stanbery at SCDES, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.