

**Pre-Delivery Service (PDS) Facility
Baltimore County, Maryland
(Voluntary Cleanup Program Site)**

Site Description

This 22.4-acre property, owned by Carroll Canton Limited Partnership, is located close to the Maryland Port Authority-Dundalk Marine Terminal in a mixed-use area. Residential neighborhoods border the property to the east and north. The property is improved with a single story building and is asphalt paved.

Topographically, the land is flat with a slight incline to the south and southwest. Overland flow is directed to several grated storm drains which discharge to the nearby Patapsco River. The property and vicinity receive public water and sanitary sewer services.

Site History

The property has been developed since circa 1930 with a succession of industrial and commercial operations. In 1932, the Central Foundry Company occupied a building located on the southern portion of the property, while the northern portion of the property remained vacant and undeveloped. Between 1943 and 1945, the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers leased the property for use as a specialized storage depot. Operations included storage, automotive repairs, and manufacture of cardboard and wooden boxes. Between 1955 and 1961, Standard Industries occupied the building and reportedly operated a foundry and machine shops. Between 1980 and 1988, the building constructed in the 1930s was razed, and the area was converted to a parking lot in 1994. The building currently located on the property was constructed in 1970. In 1985, Ford Motor Company leased the property and renovated it into an automobile receiving facility. Since 1994, Pre-Delivery Services has leased the property for the preparation of automobiles (i.e. vehicular cleaning and detailing) for distribution to dealerships.

The Maryland Department of the Environment, Oil Control Program supervised the removal of a 550-gallon waste oil underground storage tank (UST) in January 1984, a 2,000-gallon diesel UST in April 1991, and a 10,000-gallon gasoline UST in February 2002. The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers reportedly removed two 5,000-gallon gasoline USTs prior to 1991. A limited environmental site assessment was conducted in 2001 on the property.

Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) Status

On February 4, 2002, Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC submitted a VCP application seeking a No Further Requirements Determination (NFRD) as an inculpable person. The applicant indicated that future use of the property would remain industrial for continued use as an automobile receiving facility. The Department reviewed the application, and on April 4, 2002, requested additional information and subsurface sampling to complete the application package. Currently, the Department is awaiting the submission of the additional information.

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