

**MD-327  
Wicomico County**

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**SALISBURY MARKETING, INC.  
Salisbury, Maryland**

***Site Location***

The former Salisbury Marketing, Inc. site is located at the southwestern corner of North Salisbury Boulevard (Route 13) and Bridgeview Street, Salisbury, Wicomico County, Maryland

***Site History***

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Jones conveyed the property to Mr. and Mrs. William Pollitt on July 16, 1953. The Pollitts conveyed the property to Oliver Simpson, an agent of Gulf Oil Corporation, on April 18, 1975. Nelms and Kelly Autotech, Inc. purchased the property from the Gulf Oil Corporation on January 3, 1980. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lawrence purchased the property from Nelms and Kelly Autotech, Inc. on November 14, 1986. The service station was destroyed by fire in April 1987 while the site was leased by Phillip McCartha and operated as ABCO Chevron and Tune-up Shop. This site was unoccupied until Salisbury Marketing, Inc. purchased the property from Lawrence Enterprises on November 22, 1988 and operated it as the Original Deli Store, which also dispensed gasoline. The property is currently owned by Elwood Trader Jr., et al., and is operated as the Eagle Express Mart, a convenience store and gasoline retailer

It is not clear from review of MDE files when the property began operations as an automobile service and gasoline station. It is known that from 1975 until the fire in April 1987, the property was leased to various independent service station retailers that also operated as automotive repair facilities utilizing chlorinated solvents.

***Environmental Investigations***

Salisbury Marketing, Inc. began excavating the property for the purpose of installing gasoline pipes and fittings in April 1989. Five leaking underground storage tanks, free petroleum product and petroleum-saturated soil were discovered. This condition was reported to the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) and Salisbury Marketing, Inc. retained HTS Risk Management Services, Inc. (HTS) as the environmental consultant.

HTS installed three monitoring wells and one recovery well. Sampling of these wells by HTS revealed petroleum hydrocarbons and the solvent 1,2 dichloroethane at levels above U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Risk Based Concentrations (RBC). Acetone was also detected but was not present at levels near RBC.

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Sampling of the groundwater recovery and treatment system by HTS, coinciding with the completion of a Preliminary Assessment by MDE in June 1990, did not detect contamination from solvents, and on October 30, 1990, EPA designated the site as "No Further Remedial Action Planned."

***Current Status***

For the 1999 Cooperative Agreement with the EPA, the MDE is conducting a site survey of the former Salisbury Marketing, Inc. The Site Survey Initiative was proposed to reassess the status of those sites that

were previously designated No Further Remedial Action Planned by the EPA. This initiative is intended to determine if site conditions have remained stable, provide a current description of the site, and identify and address any new pathways for contamination. The initiative is also intended to determine whether the State should recommend further investigation by the EPA, oversight by the State and no further investigation by the EPA or no further action to be taken by the EPA or the State and the State designate the site as a "Formerly Investigated Site."

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