

Public Notice: US Steel Mon Valley Works Fairless - Fairless Hills, PA

DATE OF THIS NOTICE: 12/30/2020

PURPOSE OF THIS NOTICE: EPA is soliciting public comment on its proposal to enter into Prospective Purchaser Agreements (PPAs) with NP Falls Township Industrial, LLC and NP Falls Township Industrial 2, LLC (together, Purchasers). The PPAs will ensure the environmental cleanup of 1517.15-acre and 342.97-acre properties (Properties) at the 2799-acre U.S. Steel Mon Valley Works – Fairless Hills Facility in Fairless Hills, PA, EPA ID: PAD002375376 (Facility) and support redevelopment of the Properties.

Summary of Proposed Action: EPA Prospective Purchase Agreements

FACILITY DESCRIPTION: The Facility is located at South Pennsylvania Ave, Fairless Hills, PA. US Steel operated a fully integrated steel mill on the property from 1952-the mid-1990s. The PPAs require Purchasers to perform specified cleanup activities pursuant to EPA’s Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Corrective Action Program and to secure financial assurance for the benefit of EPA to ensure completion of the cleanup work. In return, the PPAs will resolve potential claims the United States government would have under environmental laws governing the cleanup of hazardous waste and contamination at the Properties. Purchasers plan to redevelop the Properties into a light industrial business park servicing regional and national tenants, which may include warehousing, e-commerce users, and light manufacturing.

INFORMATION AVAILABILITY: Information regarding EPA’s proposed remedy is available on EPA’s website at <https://www.epa.gov/hwcorrectiveactionsites/hazardous-waste-cleanup-us-steel-corporation-mvw-fairless-works-fairless>. The Administrative Record, which contains all the information considered in EPA’s proposed remedy, is available at U.S. EPA Mid-Atlantic Region, Mail Code: 3LD20, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA. 19103. Office hours are: Mon-Fri, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM. For additional information, contact: Project Manager, **Linda Matyskiela** at EPA Mid-Atlantic’s address listed above; Phone: 215-814-3420 or Email: matyskiela.linda@epa.gov.

COMMENT PROCESS: Persons to comment on EPA’s proposed decision must submit comments to EPA within the 30-day comment period ending **1/29/2021**. Interested persons may also request a public hearing on this proposed remedy. All comments and/or requests for a hearing must be submitted in writing via mail, fax, or email to the EPA Project Manager, Linda Matyskiela as listed above, and must be received prior to **1/29/2021**. All comments will be considered in making a final decision.

FINAL DECISION: EPA will make a final decision after considering all comments, consistent with applicable RCRA requirements and regulations. If the remedy is substantially unchanged from the one in this notice, EPA will issue a final decision and inform all persons who submitted written comments or requested notice of EPA’s final determination. If the remedy is significantly different from the one proposed, EPA will issue a public notice explaining the new remedy and will reopen the comment period.