

NPL Site Narrative for Anchor Chemicals

ANCHOR CHEMICALS Hicksville, New York

Conditions at proposal (October 15, 1984): Anchor Chemicals has operated on a 0.9-acre site in Hicksville, Nassau County, New York, since 1964. The facility blends and packs chemicals for the graphic arts industry. In 1978, Anchor Chemicals was purchased by Chessco Industries. The new company is known as AnchorLith Kem Ko.

Below the concrete floor of the building on the site are 17 storage tanks with capacities ranging from 1,000 to 2,000 gallons. A number of the tanks leaked during various pressure tests performed from 1981 through January 1983 by the Nassau County fire marshall and AnchorLith Kem Ko.

The company has installed three monitoring wells at the site. Analyses by the company indicate that the wells are contaminated with volatile organic chemicals similar to those contained at various times in the storage tanks.

About 90,000 people draw drinking water from wells within 3 miles of the site.

Status (June 10, 1986): EPA is considering various alternatives for the site.

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