

**NOTICE OF INITIAL SITE INVESTIGATION AND
WASTE SITE CLEANUP PERMIT APPLICATION**

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911 MAIN STREET, ASHBY, MASSACHUSETTS
RELEASE TRACKING 2-14593**

Pursuant to the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (310 CMR 40.0480), an Initial Site Investigation has been performed at the above referenced location. A release of oil and/or hazardous materials has occurred at this location which is a disposal site (as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, Section 2). This site has been classified as Tier IC (310 CMR 40.0500), and an Initial Tier IC Permit application is being submitted on or about December 17, 2003 to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0703. A permit is required to proceed with Comprehensive Remedial Responses at all Tier I sites.

Anyone interested in reviewing the permit application should notify DEP by writing to DEP, Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup, Permit Section at 627 Main Street, Worcester, MA, 01608 within 21 days of the publication date of this notice. If anyone notifies DEP of his or her interest in reviewing or submitting comment on the Tier I permit application, DEP will conduct a public comment review period of twenty (20) days which shall run concurrently with DEP's Initial Technical Review of the application. Anyone who fails to notify DEP in writing of his/her interest in commenting on the application by the above date may be deemed to have waived his/her rights, if any, to appeal DEP's permit decision or to intervene in an adjudicatory proceeding with respect to this application, pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0770(2).

M.G.L. c. 21E and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan provide additional opportunities for public notice of and involvement in decisions regarding response actions at disposal sites: 1) The Chief Municipal Official and Board of Health of the community in which the site is located will be notified of major milestones and events, pursuant to 310 CMR 40.1403; and 2) Upon receipt of a petition from ten or more residents of the municipality in which the disposal site is located, or of a municipality potentially affected by a disposal site, a plan for involving the public in decisions regarding response actions at the site will be prepared and implemented, pursuant to 310 CMR 40.1405.

To obtain more information on this disposal site and the opportunities for public involvement during its remediation, please contact Joseph Mazzola, North Middlesex Regional School District, 19 Main Street, Townsend, MA 01469 at 978-597-8721.