DuPont Pompton Lakes Works 2000 Cannonball Road Pompton Lakes, NJ 07442



May 4, 2011

Dear Resident:

In March 2011, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection approved a work plan submitted by DuPont to complete a pilot study using a technology known as bioremediation for treating groundwater contamination in the off-site groundwater plume adjacent to the DuPont property. Bioremediation is a process that uses naturally occurring bacteria or microorganisms to remove contaminants present in soil and water. Pilot studies are typically conducted to collect detailed information to determine if a specific technology is applicable to use at a site.

The pilot study being completed by DuPont will be implemented using a phased approach to ensure the collection of data necessary to meet the project objectives. Simply put, data collected in one step of the pilot study process will be used to determine if the subsequent steps within the program need to be modified. A summary of the steps to be completed as part of this pilot over the next nine months is attached. The complete work plan for the study is posted on the Pompton Lakes Works website (www.pomptonlakesworks.com).

Pilot study activities will be conducted in an area at the intersection of Barbara Drive and Schuyler Avenue (see enclosed map). This location was selected based on groundwater data from nearby monitoring wells which suggests that conditions in the aquifer (i.e., concentrations of contaminants) are amenable to apply this technology. The first step in the pilot study consists of installing a series of wells in the pilot area. These wells will be used to conduct testing which will provide data on groundwater flow rates and direction as well as other factors potentially present in the aquifer that could affect the implementation of the technology. Field activities are scheduled to begin the week of May 16th with utility clearances. Well installation is scheduled to start May 23rd and should require approximately 3 weeks to complete.

We expect increased noise levels associated with some equipment used throughout the study and, as such, working hours will not start before 8 am and will not go beyond 5 pm. Although we do not anticipate any road closures, traffic patterns in the area of Barbara Drive and Schuyler Avenue will be modified to ensure everyone's safety. As in the past, we have contracted with the Pompton Lakes police department to assist with traffic matters.

We appreciate your patience during this time period and will do our best to minimize disruption during the completion of our work. We will continue to communicate with you throughout the project (via additional updates, information sessions, etc.). In the meantime, feel free to contact us at (973) 492-7729 with any questions or if you have feedback during the pilot study.

Sincerely,

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