



RHODE ISLAND

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

OFFICE OF LAND REVITALIZATION & SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS MANAGEMENT

235 Promenade Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02908

COMMENT PERIOD EXTENSION APPROVAL

File No. SR-02-2085

December 21, 2022

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RE: Robin Rug Manufacturing Facility
125 Thames Street
Bristol, Rhode Island
Plat Map 10 / Lots 42, 43, 60, 61, 62, 73 & 76

Dear [REDACTED] et al.:

On April 22, 2020, the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management's (the Department) Office of Land Revitalization and Sustainable Materials Management (LRSMM) enacted the codified 250-RICR-140-30-1, Rules and Regulations for the Investigation and Remediation of Hazardous Material Releases (the Remediation Regulations). The purpose of these regulations is to create an integrated program requiring reporting, investigation, and remediation of contaminated sites in order to eliminate and/or control threats to human health and the environment in a timely and cost-effective manner.

The Department has received the correspondence dated December 9, 2022 submitted by the above listed residents in response to the Notification to Abutters, dated November 28, 2022, issued by Nobis Engineering, Inc. dba Nobis Group (Nobis) on behalf of Brady Sullivan Properties for the above referenced property (the Site) in accordance with Sections 1.8.7(A)(2) and 1.8.9 of the Remediation Regulations. The correspondence requested that the 14-day public comment period to solicit comments on the technical feasibility of the proposed remedy for the Site be extended. The opportunity for public review and comment on the technical feasibility of the proposed remedial alternatives commenced on November 28, 2022 and the period closed on December 12, 2022.

While the Department did not receive this request until December 15, 2022, after the comment period

had closed, this office recognizes the public interest and is therefore granting the request for an extension of the comment period. Please note that all comments must be made in writing (via e-mail or mail) and **must be received by the Department by 4:00 pm on Thursday, January 12, 2023**. There will not be another extension.

Please be advised of the following:

- Due to the holidays and sometimes unpredictable schedule of the USPS mail, the Department strongly encourages that comments be submitted via e-mail to michelle.mclarney@dem.ri.gov to ensure they are received in time for consideration. Comments may be mailed in, however, please be aware of the strict deadline noted above. Comments will not be accepted past this date.
- In order for the Department to respond to any comments received, please be sure to include contact information with your comment. Identifying information will not be shared with the developer or property owner and will be used only to ensure that you receive the subsequent “Response to Comments” letter that will include responses to all comments received. Either a mailing address or email address is acceptable.
- The public comment period is intended to solicit comments on the technical feasibility of the proposed conceptual remedy in accordance with §1.8.7(A)(2) and §1.8.9 of the Remediation Regulations. However, your letter had indicated that there may be some general, site remediation program questions/comments which the Department will address if received.
- Based on some feedback received thus far regarding the above referenced Site, it is possible that some comments may be outside of the authority of the Site Remediation program, such as comments pertaining to stormwater management, which is under the purview of the Department’s Office of Water Resources, or hazardous building materials (Rhode Island Department of Health). Any such comments will be forwarded to the appropriate program/agency and you will be provided with the contact information for the person to whom the comment was forwarded.
- Requests for electronic copies of site files should be made to the Department via email at **BOTH michelle.mclarney@dem.ri.gov and rachel.simpson@dem.ri.gov**. If you wish to review the records in person, please contact Angela Spadoni to schedule a file review request at (401) 222-4700, ext. 277-7307, via e-mail at Dem.filereview@dem.ri.gov or via FAX at (401) 222-3810.

If you have any other questions regarding this letter, please contact me by telephone at (401) 222-2797 ext. 277-7158, or by e-mail at michelle.mclarney@dem.ri.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michelle McLarney".

Michelle McLarney
Environmental Engineer I
Office of Land Revitalization &
Sustainable Materials Management

cc: Kelly Owens, RIDEM/LRSMM
Ashley Blauvelt, RIDEM/LRSMM
Rachel Simpson, RIDEM/LRSMM