Guidance for Requesting a Brownfields Petroleum Site Eligibility Determination Required for U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Brownfield Grants

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfield funding grantees must obtain an eligibility determination from the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) before spending petroleum-only money (Revolving Loan Fund or Assessment Grant funds) at sites.

In order to obtain this written eligibility determination, please submit the information requested in this guidance to:

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Please direct any questions to Mark Lewis at the above e- mail address or at (860) 424-3768.

INFORMATION TO SUBMIT

Please answer the questions listed below and include any documentation necessary to support the eligibility request.

General Information:

- Site Name (current and former, if appropriate)
- Site Address
- Actions to be conducted with grant funds (e.g., Phase II Investigation, site remediation)

Ownership and Operational Information:

- Current owner of the site and date acquired and classification of owner (e.g., corporation, trust, individual, municipality)
- Immediate past owner of the site and classification of that owner, and date acquired
- Operational history for the periods of ownership for the current and immediate past owner
- Where, when, and how petroleum was dispensed or disposed of on the property

EPA Grant Information:

- Grantee Name, Grantee contact, mailing address, phone number, and e-mail address
- Type of Grant (Revolving Loan Fund or Assessment) and EPA Brownfield Grant Award No.
- Federal Fiscal Year of Award
- DEEP Project Manager (if applicable)
- EPA Project Officer (of the Grant)

QUESTIONS TO ANSWER

How site meets "relatively low risk" requirement:

- ✓ Have Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund monies been used to address petroleum contamination at the site?
- ✓ Is the petroleum-contaminated site currently subject to a response under the Oil Pollution Act?

Responsible Party information:

- ✓ Is the party responsible for the petroleum contamination at the site known? If so, is the party financially viable? Please provide details regarding the responsible party's financial ability to pay for site assessment and/ or remediation.
- ✓ Did the current or immediate past owner dispense or dispose of, or own the site during the dispensing or disposal of, any petroleum products or waste at the site? Please provide details including the type of petroleum dispensed or disposed of, and the time period when the dispensing or disposing took place. Please attach a site map depicting the locations where petroleum was dispensed or disposed of.
- ✓ Did the current owner exacerbate the contamination? Please provide details.
- ✓ Did the current owner take reasonable steps to stop on-going discharges, and protect human health and the environment? If so, what steps have been taken?

Regulatory Status of Site:

- ✓ Is the site subject to a Corrective Action order under Section 9003(h) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act? A list of sites subject to Corrective Action is available on EPA's web site.
- ✓ Is the site subject to any federal or state enforcement activity or action?
- ✓ Is the site listed on the EPA National Priority List? A <u>list of these sites</u> is available on EPA's web site.

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