

## **CITY OF WATERBURY** FORMER EWR, INC. **FACT SHEET** STEWARDSHIP PERMIT

#### I. Name and Address of Applicant:

City of Waterbury Former EWR, Inc. 000 West Main Street and 130 Freight Street Waterbury, CT EPA ID No. CTD072138969

#### II. Facility Type:

City of Waterbury, former EWR, Inc. is a facility that formerly treated, stored, or disposed of Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) hazardous wastes, and applied for a RCRA Permit through the submittal of a RCRA Part A permit application. The Permittee submitted to the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (the Department) an Application for a new Stewardship Permit, (Application 202305870), on August 14, 2023.

#### III. **Purpose of Permit:**

The purpose of a Stewardship Permit is to require the completion of investigation, remediation, and long-term stewardship requirements including monitoring of environmental conditions. engineered controls, and institutional controls, as applicable. The permit requires financial assurance and public participation in final remedy decisions. The Stewardship Permit ensures that the sitewide environmental remedy remains effective into the future.

#### IV. **Statutory and Regulatory Basis of Permit:**

The issuance and conditions of this Stewardship Permit are based upon the Regulation of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA) adopted pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) Section 22a-449(c), and upon the provisions of CGS Section 22a-6. The Connecticut Hazardous Waste Management Regulations incorporate by reference the federal RCRA hazardous waste regulations. These federal regulations include the technical and administrative standards for hazardous waste facilities as identified by Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 264 and 270.

Pursuant to RCSA Section 22a-449(c)-104(a)(2)(O), incorporating with changes 40 CFR 264.101, an owner or operator seeking a permit for treatment, storage, or disposal of hazardous waste must institute corrective action as necessary to protect human health and the environment for all releases of hazardous waste or constituents at the facility, regardless of the time such release occurred or the origin of the release. The permit contains a schedule

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of compliance for any corrective action which has not been completed prior to issuance of the permit and assurances of financial responsibility for completing such corrective action.

### V. Description of Facility:

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: The facility is located at 130 Freight Street and 000 West Main Street in Waterbury. The two parcels are 10.56 and 3.82 acres bounded by West Main Street to the north, railroad tracks to the east, Jackson Street to the west and Freight Street to the south. The surrounding land use is mixed industrial and commercial. The applicant obtained the parcels in 2020 via foreclosure. Both parcels are currently vacant and undeveloped. The Naugatuck River is 500 to 1000 feet east of the facility.

OPERATIONS DESCRIPTION: The previous owner, Environmental Waste Removal (EWR) treated industrial wastewater and recycled and recovered solvents and waste oils at the site from 1973 to 1998. EWR abandoned the facility in 1998, leaving DEEP and EPA to remove large quantities of waste, containers, and equipment.

Prior to EWR's operations, the site was used from 1845 to 1977 for brass manufacturing by several large brass companies, the last of which was Anaconda American Brass. These companies' processes included brass rolling, machining, pressing finishing and casting. Anaconda also performed electroplating in later years.

Subsequent to EWR's operations, the site was used by Phoenix Soils, LLC for thermal treatment of contaminated soil from 1993 to 2011.

### VI. Closure of the Hazardous Waste Management Units:

The Permittee is required to close the hazardous waste management units (HWMUs) formerly operated by EWR. All buildings at the site have been demolished and all facilities for managing hazardous wastes (such as tanks or drums) have been removed. No hazardous wastes have been managed at the site for many years, however the former HWMUs must still be formally closed as part of the overall site cleanup.

### VII. Corrective Action and Long-Term Stewardship Obligations:

RCRA Corrective Action requires the investigation and cleanup of all releases of contaminants at the facility to the environment. The use of any engineering controls and/or institutional controls to achieve compliance with the Remediation Standard Regulations (RCSA Sections 22a-133k-1-3, inclusive) at a RCRA Facility requires a RCRA Permit. Note, use of Industrial/Commercial (I/C) Direct Exposure Criteria (DEC) is an institutional control that does not require a RCRA permit on its own.

- The Remediation Standard Regulations are the basis for determining that remediation is complete, with or without engineering and/or institutional controls.
- The Stewardship Permit, specific to this property, requires the Permittee to perform long-term stewardship obligations at the site including groundwater monitoring, and operation and maintenance of any institutional controls or engineered controls that may be implemented at the site.
- The Stewardship Permit requires the establishment and maintenance of mechanisms assuring financial responsibility.

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# VIII. <u>Available Materials:</u>

Materials available for inspection with respect to this permit include:

- A. The Permit Application;
- B. The Draft Stewardship Permit;
- C. The Notice of Tentative Determination for the Draft Stewardship Permit;
- D. Fact Sheet

These materials are available on the Department's webpage: <u>Proposed Individual Permits</u> (ct.gov).

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