The Utah Department of Environmental Quality (UDEQ), Division of Environmental Response and Remediation (DERR), in cooperation with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), is conducting a Five-Year Review of the Petrochem Recycling Corp./Ekotek Superfund Site located at 1628 North Chicago Street, Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County, Utah. The site was placed on the National Priorities List (NPL) in 1992 as the area was used for oil refining from 1953 to 1978, and later converted into a hazardous waste storage/treatment and petroleum recycling facility from 1980 to 1988.

Cleanup activities included the removal of above-ground and underground storage tanks, containers, contaminated sludge, pooled liquids, and processing equipment from the site. Wastes and solvents from used petroleum products had contaminated surface and subsurface soils, as well as groundwater. The cleanup was completed in 2000 and the site was deleted from the National Priorities List in 2003. Soils were cleaned up to an industrial use standard and does not allow for unrestricted uses of the site.

What is a Five-Year Review? The purpose of a Five-Year Review is to determine whether or not cleanup and other actions taken at the site are protective of human health and the environment. The Five-Year Review will include a review of site documents, community interviews, and a site inspection to evaluate all remedy components as well as the status of land-use controls. Upon completion of the review, a report will be made available to the public by October 2021.

To review previous Five-Year Review reports and other site-related files: The Administrative Record for the Petrochem Recycling Corp./Ekotek Superfund site includes all reports and decision documents and is available for public review at:

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Project documents are available online at: eqedocs.utah.gov using the search phrase “Petrochem.” You can also find information about the Petrochem Recycling Corp./Ekotek Superfund Site on the EPA Website at: https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/cursites/csitinfo.cfm?id=0800649

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