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Saint Gobain Performance Plastics Site in Hoosick Falls, NY Proposed to the National Priorities List

- On September 9, 2016 EPA proposed to add the Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics Site, located at 14 McCaffrey Street, to the National Priorities List (NPL). The NPL is EPA's list of the nation's most contaminated hazardous waste sites targeted for long-term cleanup.
- This is a formal rulemaking process. EPA is taking public comment on this proposal until November 8, 2016.
- EPA will consider all comments received during the comment period and, after reviewing all comments, will make a final decision whether to add the Site to the NPL.
- Adding the Site to the NPL allows access to federal resources -- technical and financial -- to investigate and address the human health and environmental risks posed by the Site.

Key Facts Regarding NPL Listing

- The Hazard Ranking System (HRS) is a regulatory screening tool used by EPA to determine which sites warrant additional investigation and cleanup under the Superfund Remedial program. It is used to compare the relative severity of risks among sites. Sites scoring 28.5 or above are eligible for the NPL.
- The HRS is not a quantitative assessment of human health and environmental risks or a model/guide for the comprehensive investigation of the site or potential cleanup.
- The NPL listing does not define outer boundaries of the Superfund site as this will be determined through detailed environmental sampling. The site can extend as far as the contamination extends.
- This specific proposal focuses on impacts to groundwater from the Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics facility at **14 McCaffrey Street in the Village of Hoosick Falls.**



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How to Submit Comments

The documents that form the basis of EPA's decision to propose the Site to the NPL are posted on the following website, www.regulations.gov. Once on this website, enter "EPA-HQ-OLEM-2016-0434" in the search box. Once on this screen, select "Open Docket Folder."

The documents can also be accessed at the Cheney Library located at 73 Classic Street, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090; phone number (518) 686-9401. They are also available upon request from the EPA Region 2 Superfund Records Center located at 290 Broadway, New York, NY 10007; phone number (212) 637-4308.

- **Comments can be submitted on-line, by mail or hand delivered:**

- *Submit your comments online at <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for submitting comments.*
- *Submit your comments via the United States Postal Service using the following address:*
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
EPA Superfund Docket Center, Mail Code 28221T
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20460
- *Submit your comments via express mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery to the following address:*
EPA Superfund Docket Center
WJC West Building, Room 3334
1301 Constitution Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20004

- EPA will consider and respond in writing to all comments before EPA makes a final decision on whether to add the Site to the NPL.

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<https://www.epa.gov/ny/hoosick-falls-water-contamination>