

Registration Form:

Changes in Contaminated Property Regulation in Maine—Just When You Had It All Figured Out

Thursday, February 25, 2010

Buffet Breakfast: 7:30 ~ Program: 8:00 - 9:00 AM

Clarion Hotel Portland
1230 Congress Street, Portland, ME

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1230 Congress Street, Portland, ME

From I-95 northbound, take exit 44 onto I-295 to Portland. Take the first Congress Street exit and bear to the right following signs for Route 22 West. At the second light, take a left onto Route 22 West. The Hotel is located 100 yards on the left.

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You are Invited ...

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Join us on **Thursday, February 25, 2010** from 7:30 - 9:00 AM at the **Clarion Hotel**, 1230 Congress Street, Portland, ME as our panelists discuss new developments in the Maine Department of Environmental Protection's contaminated property regulation policies.

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Meet Our Panelists:

Keith Taylor is Senior Hydrogeologist at St.Germain & Associates with 25 years experience in environmental consulting. He holds a MS degree in Geology and is a Maine Certified Geologist and New Hampshire Professional Geologist. Keith specializes in the interpretation of geologic, water quality and chemical data and has particular expertise in assessing risk, liability, remedial options and redevelopment opportunities on contaminated properties.

Hope Jacobsen is a shareholder and director of Perkins Thompson, where her practice focuses on environmental and land use law. Ms. Jacobsen counsels a wide variety of business, institutional and individual clients on environmental liability, permitting, compliance and due diligence issues, particularly those associated with business and real estate transactions. She also assists clients with brownfields redevelopment, Superfund and Maine "Uncontrolled" sites, and the Maine Department of Environmental Protection's Voluntary Response Action Program ("VRAP").

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For the first time in over ten years, the Maine DEP is completely revising its cleanup guidelines for contaminated soil, commonly referred to as the Remedial Action Guidelines or RAGs. While this process may sound like yet another obscure exercise by a state agency, it will affect the redevelopment of contaminated property in Maine.

The new RAGs are based on more sophisticated health-based risk models and expand the type of exposure scenarios to more accurately reflect common land uses. The new guidelines also provide for more flexibility by allowing site-specific health-based risk assessments. Of particular interest will be the guidelines for petroleum, which is the most common type of contamination in Maine but has not had contaminant-specific cleanup guidelines until now. The guidelines also for the first time explicitly allow for the use of restrictive Environmental Covenants as part of the remedy in various cleanup scenarios, not just at sites that go through the Voluntary Response Action Program (VRAP).

While none of these guidelines will be in statute or regulation – they are simply guidelines – the regulated community is anticipating their widespread use by Department staff in determining appropriate approaches to both hazardous waste, other non-petroleum and petroleum sites. Are the guidelines flexible and therefore beneficial to those conducting cleanups, or detrimental because the cleanup goal may not always be easily predicted? Come hear the experts give their views on this important new development in DEP policy.

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