

# **Grant Industries**

## **125 Main Street Elmwood Park Bergen County**

**BLOCK: 804 LOT: 6**

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### **SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:**

Grant Industries has operated a chemical manufacturing plant at this site since 1967. It is approximately 1,000 feet from the Garfield Municipal Well Field, where a ground water treatment system is removing volatile organic contaminants from the supply wells. Grant Industries was identified as a Potentially Responsible Party for the contamination at the well field due to documented incidences of chemical spills and discharges between the mid-1970s to the early 1990s and the presence of volatile organic compounds in the ground water at the site. LaPlace Chemical Company and the former Stor Dynamics facility, both located adjacent to Grant Industries, have also been identified as Potentially Responsible Parties for the well field contamination. The Responsible Parties for LaPlace Chemical Company are addressing their site under the supervision of NJDEP's Responsible Party Remediation Element. In 1994, NJDEP's Remedial Response Element began a Remedial Investigation and Remedial Action Selection (RI/RAS) to delineate the contamination at the Grant Industries property, identify remedial alternatives and evaluate the facility's possible role in the contamination of the Garfield well field. A separate RI/RAS was conducted concurrently for the Stor Dynamics property. NJDEP determined based on the RI that there was no significant contamination in the soil at Grant Industries, but high levels of chlorinated volatile organic compounds were present in the ground water at an area of the property adjacent to LaPlace Chemical. NJDEP implemented a ground water Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) between 2001 and 2002 that entailed extracting ground water from a recovery well in the area of the Grant Industries property where high levels of contaminants were present and sending it off site for treatment and disposal. In 2002, NJDEP completed the RI/RAS for the Grant Industries and Stor Dynamics sites and the responsible Parties for LaPlace Chemical Company completed an RI/RAS for their facility. Additional rounds of ground water sampling are being conducted in preparation for selecting a final remedial action to address the contaminated ground water at all three sites. NJDEP plans to issue a Decision Document outlining the final remedial action to address the ground water in 2003.