

NEP0233
127 Valley Road
Montclair, New Jersey
Essex County



An investigation was done at this location in response to one of our EAF contractors, Dewberry, raising the issue of possible UST's at this location which is located adjacent to the application site. The contractor noted that there was evidence of six possible fill ports for either UST's or AST's. I contacted the owner of this "strip mall", Mr. Norman Forrest, who claims to have owned this property for thirty-five years.

The basement is an open floor plan so once you enter the area via one of several outdoor Bilco doors, you have access all the way through the building's basement. This area is used for storage space by both the landlord and the building tenants.

There are a total of four AST present, three 275 gallon tanks and one 350 gallon tank, of these four tanks, only two of them are still in use to fire two, forced hot air furnaces. The rest of the combustion (heat and hot water) is achieved by firing natural gas heaters that were installed several years ago.

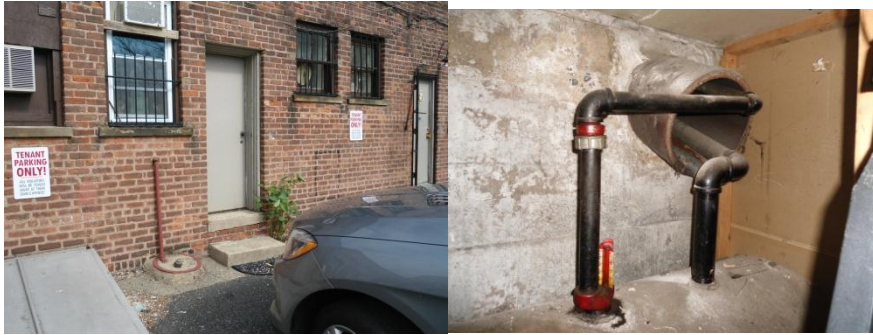
The following photographs are of the four fill lines that have AST attached in the basement. There are also pictures of two capped areas where the fill pipe and vent once existed that have since been removed.



This fill port is located at North end and tank (275 gallon)



is an active fill port and



This second visible fill pipe and vent still has the pipes present but are no longer in use, the tank associated with this fill and vent pipes is empty.



The third tank in the basement is also not in use (350 gallon). The fill port and vent remain but the furnace associated with this tank has been disconnected.



The fourth vent and fill pipe (South side of building) are connected to the second 275 gallon tank that is still active.

None of the four tanks have any signs of leakage (past or present) and the area is maintained in good order around the existing tanks.

Please let me know if additional information is needed. Thanks

-Tim Davis, NJDEP
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