

## **The City of Bayonne Awards a \$1,000,000 Contract to Excel for the Full-Scale Soil and Groundwater Remediation at the Standard Tank Cleaning Services Site, Bayonne, New Jersey**

On behalf of the City of Bayonne, Excel obtained supplemental financial assistance in the amount of \$1,000,000 from the New Jersey Redevelopment Authority (NJRA) under the Brownfields Redevelopment Initiative and the contract from the City to implement the full-scale soil and groundwater remediation at the Former Standard Tank site located in Bayonne on the Kill Van Kull. Excel had previously obtained a \$950,000 grant from the NJRA for the City for implementation of the Interim Remedial Action thus bringing the total financial assistance package to \$1,950,000 for the Former Standard Tank site remediation. Excel completed the Interim Remedial Action on schedule and within budget in August 2001. The supplemental NJRA financial assistance package enabled Excel to transition the project directly into full-scale remediation operations in October 2002.

As of March 2002, excavation of oil-saturated soil (the source of free-phase oil on the groundwater at the site) is complete and approximately 8,500 tons of oil-saturated soil was excavated for offsite recycling. In addition, several thousand linear feet of sub-grade piping was removed and open-excavation recovery and onsite treatment of groundwater was conducted while excavation proceeded. All excavated areas have been backfilled and re-graded in preparation for site redevelopment and free-phase oil on the groundwater has been eradicated in the former source area. Excel is working with the NJDEP and the City on the final design of a sub-grade groundwater remediation system to address residual groundwater contamination. The City has designated the property as an area in need of redevelopment and Excel is working with the City and the Bayonne Economic Development Corporation with final aspects of the integration of engineering controls into the site-wide redevelopment plans.