

Common Brownfield/Environmental Acronyms & Definitions

<u>Acronym</u>	<u>Full Name</u>		
ACT 381	Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act	LEED	Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design
AQD	Air Quality Division – EGLE	LBRF	Local Brownfield Revolving Fund
AST	Aboveground Storage Tank	LUG	Local Unit of Government
ASTM	American Society for Testing and Materials	LUST	Leaking Underground Storage Tank
AAI	All Appropriate Inquiry	MBP3	Michigan Pollution Prevention Partnership
BEA	Baseline Environmental Assessment	MBDP	Michigan Business Development Program – MEDC
BRA	Brownfield Redevelopment Authority	MBT	Michigan Business Tax
CAA	Clean Air Act	MCRP	Michigan Community Revitalization Program – MEDC
CDBG	Community Development Block Grant	MEDC	Michigan Economic Development Corporation
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation & Liability Act	MOU/MOA	Memorandum of Understanding/ Memorandum of Agreement
CIA	Corridor Improvement Authority	MSF	Michigan Strategic Fund
CNTS	Covenant Not to Sue	MSHDA	Michigan State Housing Development Authority
DDA	Downtown Development Authority	NPL	National Priorities List
DDCC	Documentation of Due Care Compliance	NREPA	Natural Resource Environmental Protection Act – Act 451
DNR	Department of Natural Resources	NEZ	Neighborhood Enterprise Zone
EGLE	Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy	ODWMA	Office of Drinking Water and Municipal Assistance – EGLE
ESA	Environmental Site Assessment	OEA	Office of Environmental Assistance – EGLE
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency	OGL	Office of the Great Lakes
EZ/EC	Empowerment Zones/Enterprise Communities	OOGM	Office of Oil, Gas, and Minerals – EGLE
FTV	Future Taxable Value	OPRA	Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act
GWCAC	Groundwater Conservation Advisory Council	OWMRP	Office of Waste Management and Radiological Protection – EGLE
HASP	Health and Safety Plan	Part 111	Part 111 of NREPA Act 451 – Treatment, Storage, Disposal Sites
HUD	Department of Housing and Urban Development	Part 115	Part 115 of NREPA Act 451 – Waste Disposal Areas
IFE	Industrial Facilities (Tax) Exemption	Part 201	Part 201 of NREPA Act 451 – Michigan’s Cleanup Program
ITV	Initial Taxable Value		
LDFA	Local Development Financing Authority		

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Part 213	Part 213 of NREPA Act 451 – Leaking UST Program
Part 615,625	Part 615, 625 of NREPA Act 451 – Oil, Gas, and Mineral Wells
PCBs	Polychlorinated Biphenyls
PNAs	Polynuclear Aromatics
PRE	Principle Residence Exemption
PRP	Potentially Responsible Party
QLGU	Qualified Local Governmental Units
QAPP	Quality Assurance Project Plan
RAP	Remedial Action Plan
RCRA	Resource Conservation & Recovery Act
Ren Zone	Renaissance Zone
RLF	Revolving Loan Fund
RRD	Remediation and Redevelopment Division – EGLE
RPF	Refined Petroleum Fund
SAP	Sampling and Analysis Plan
SEV	State Equalized Value
TIF	Tax Increment Financing
TIFA	Tax Increment Financing Authority
TIR	Tax Increment Revenue
TV	Taxable Value
TSCA	Toxic Substance Control Act
UST	Underground Storage Tank
USEPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency
VOCs	Volatile Organic Compounds
WP	Work Plan
WRD	Water Resources Division – EGLE

Brownfield Definitions

Brownfield – the EPA defines a brownfield as “real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant.” The State of Michigan further defines brownfield sites as blighted, functionally obsolete, or historic resources.

All Appropriate Inquiry – refers to the requirements for assessing the environmental conditions of a property prior to its acquisition in order to satisfy federal liability protection.

Phase I Environmental Site Assessment – is a multi-faceted assessment of a property providing a comprehensive evaluation of the environmental concerns, most often used at the time of a real estate transaction.

Phase II Environmental Site Assessment – includes sampling and laboratory analysis of soil, groundwater, soil-gas, and/or indoor air to evaluate the potential presence of hazardous substances or petroleum products.

Baseline Environmental Assessment – a documentation of pre-existing contaminant conditions which exist at a facility at the time of purchase, occupancy, or foreclosure that reasonably defines the conditions at the facility. Preparation and disclosure of a BEA provides an EGLE exemption to remedial liability for new owners/operators of property with pre-existing contamination.

Documentation of Due Care Compliance – is a report detailing completed response activities resulting in a demonstration that a property is currently in compliance with “due care” obligations specified under Part 201.

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