



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Senator Montgomery calls on the NYS DEC and the NYC DEP to investigate environmental conditions surrounding 280 Richard Streets in Red Hook

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Senator Velmanette Montgomery writes to Commissioner Basil Seggos of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and Commissioner Vincent Sapienza, P.E. of the New York City Department of Environmental Protection to request an investigation into the environmental conditions at 280 Richards Street in Red Hook. The letter is in response to numerous constituent complaints and community meetings regarding dirt from large mounds left on the former industrial site and its potential toxicity.

In her letter, Senator Montgomery writes:

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I am writing to request that your respective offices conduct a soil test of the dirt mounds on the pier at 280 Richards Street and investigate the excessive flooding conditions in the area surrounding this site. My office has received numerous complaints about potentially toxic dust emanating from this empty lot filled with mounds of soil mixed with excavated materials.

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My constituents have expressed concern about the dust and sediment that are regularly blown off the mounds by the wind. The dust gets into their homes: covering their vehicles, windows and terraces. Those who live in the area must keep their windows closed, even on warm days to keep out the sediment for fear of potential exposure to contaminants.

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