

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN**

NYSDEC Application ID# 2-6105-00889/00001

Regulated Medical Waste Transfer Facility  
893 Shepherd Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York 11208



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## **1. INTRODUCTION AND OBJECTIVE**

This Public Participation Plan (PPP) has been prepared by Sharps Compliance, Inc. to comply with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Policy CP-29, Environmental Justice and Permitting (CP-29). The purpose of this PPP is to address environmental justice concerns and ensure public participation in the DEC environmental permit review process by the affected community. This PPP has been developed in strict accordance with the procedures established by the DEC under the CP-29.

The objective of this PPP is to inform the affected community that Sharps has applied for a permit from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) for a permit to operate a regulated medical waste (RMW) transfer facility, and to explain the application process requirements within the context of the permit.

The proposed facility is located at 893 Shepherd Avenue in the East New York neighborhood of Brooklyn, NY, which has been designated by the NYSDEC as an Environmental Justice Area.

## **2. EXISTING AND PROPOSED OPERATIONS**

Currently, Sharps use the facility to transfer sealed wastes generated by health care facilities which are deemed "hazardous waste" by State and Federal regulation. Sharps only accepts, stores and transfers sealed containers of such waste. Examples of these hazardous wastes include isopropyl, butyl and methyl alcohols, insulin, nicotine, asthma inhalers, specific pharmaceuticals, vaccines, alcohol based creams and gels, and x-ray developer solution. These hazardous wastes are generated in a broad range of medical, diagnostic, therapeutic and research activities.

The use of this facility to transfer hazardous waste is the subject of an existing NYSDEC Part 364 Waste Transporter permit. A maximum of 2,000 gal. (9.9 cubic yards) of hazardous waste is transferred per day. The facility also presently serves as a truck depot for Sharps' collection vehicles and houses administrative offices.

Sharps proposes to add RMW to the health-care wastes which may be transferred at the facility. The facility proposes to accept a maximum of 48 tons of RMW per day. Examples of RMW include used personal protective equipment such as masks, gowns and rubber gloves. Also included as RMW are materials typically used in diagnostic procedures, such as tissue and fluid samples, discarded bandages and swabs, IV tubing and tongue depressors as well as pathological wastes. Used syringes and needles ("sharps"), trace chemotherapy containers and expired pharmaceutical products are also classified as RMW, as are devices typically used to administer insulin for diabetic treatment.

The facility will receive, store and transfer sealed containers of hazardous waste and RMW into long-haul trucks for offsite treatment. The sealed containers of hazardous waste and RMW are collected from local healthcare facilities. Throughout the collection, transport, storage and transfer process (from healthcare facility to offsite treatment) all

containers of hazardous waste RMW remain sealed. Containers will be stored and transferred within three (3) days (72 hours) at ambient temperature from date of receipt. If a longer storage time is needed, containers will be refrigerated for up to seven (7) days from the date the container is received.

Regular operating hours are anticipated to be from 6:00 am to 7:00 pm, Monday through Friday. However, the facility is seeking approval to operate 24 hours per day, seven days per week to allow for infrequent emergency response. The facility has been designed to comply with all applicable City, State and federal regulations. The customer base served by Sharps for the collection of hazardous waste and RMW includes hospitals, doctor and dentist offices, veterinarian clinics, senior living facilities, nursing homes and diagnostic laboratories.

After adding RMW to the current operation, operation of the facility is projected to generate a maximum of 30 box truck collection vehicle round trips per day, 7 long-haul truck roundtrips per day and 14 employee vehicle trips per day. Collection vehicles typically have a maximum cargo capacity of 900 cy and a GVWR of 25,999 lbs. Long-haul transfer trailers typically have a cargo capacity of 1,155 cy and a GVWR of 43,000 lbs. Each collection vehicle will make one round-trip to and from 893 Shepherd each day. The morning peak traffic is projected to occur between 8am and 9 am; evening peak traffic is projected to occur between 4pm and 5pm. The daily distribution of vehicular trips is provided in the table below:

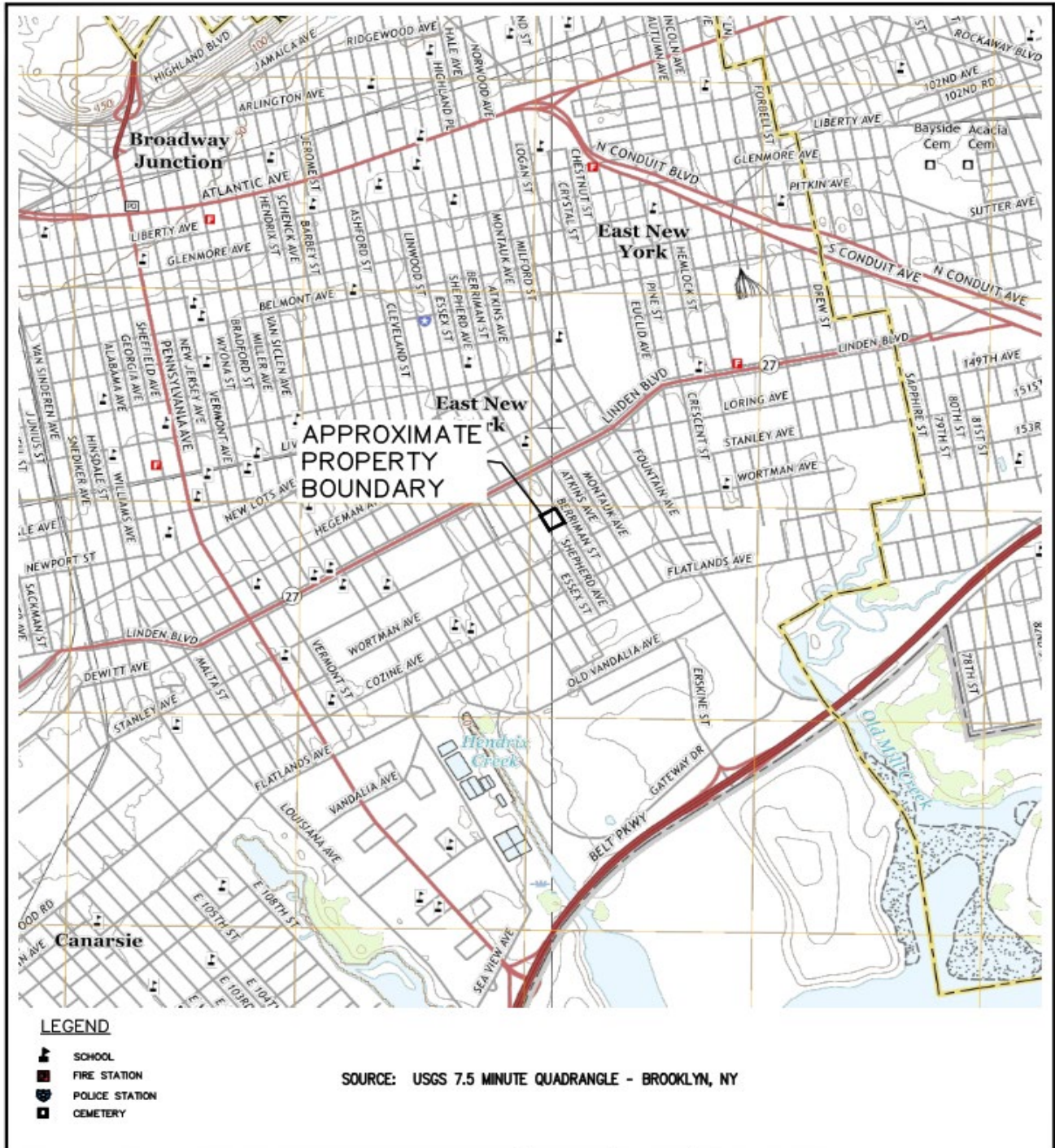
**Figure 1: Maximum Vehicular Trips Weekday Peak Hours**

Peak Hours	Time	Collection Vehicles		Long-Haul Truck		Employee Vehicles		Total	
		Vehicles	PCEs	Vehicles	PCEs	Vehicles	PCEs	Vehicles	PCEs
	6 a.m.-7 a.m.	15	22.5	0	0	4	4	19	26.5
	7 a.m.-8 a.m.	15	22.5	2*	5	5	5	22	32.5
<b>Morning Peak</b>	<b>8: a.m.-9 a.m.</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2*</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>
	9 a.m.-10 a.m.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	10 a.m.-11 a.m.	0	0	2*	5	0	0	2	5
	11 a.m.-12 p.m.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	12 p.m.-1 p.m.	0	0	2*	2	0	0	2	5
<b>Mid-day Peak</b>	<b>1 p.m.-2 p.m.</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	2 p.m.-3 p.m.	10	15	2*	5	0	0	12	20
	3 p.m.-4 p.m.	10	15	2*	5	4	4	16	24
<b>Evening Peak</b>	<b>4 p.m.-5 p.m.</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>2*</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>25</b>
	5 p.m.-6 p.m.	0	0	0	0	5	5	5	5
	6 p.m.-7 p.m.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**“Trips” means 1 vehicle departure or 1 vehicle arrival.**

**“PCE” means Passenger Car Equivalent**

Figure 2: Site Location Map



### **3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND OUTREACH**

This Public Participation Plan (PPP) comports with Commissioner Policy-29, Environmental Justice and Permitting (CP-29), and with recent Guidance which provides direction with regard to the conduct of public outreach during the pendency of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Sharps Compliance, Inc. has designated the following individuals to coordinate and respond to inquiries on the project:

Curtis Knisley  
Director Quality and Safety  
9220 Kirby Drive Suite 500  
Houston, TX 77054  
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email: [cknisley@sharpsinc.com](mailto:cknisley@sharpsinc.com)

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Environmental, Health and Safety Counsel  
PO Box 11182  
Albany, NY 12211  
Phone: (518) 459-0600  
email: [lschillinger@msn.com](mailto:lschillinger@msn.com)

#### **Stakeholders and Outreach Contact List**

In consultation with NYSDEC staff, Sharps has assembled a list of stakeholders who may be interested in and affected by the proposed project and are therefore targeted for outreach. This list, provided in Appendix A, includes local elected/government officials; community, civic, religious and environmental organizations; local media outlets, and residents, businesses and property owners located within a 500-ft radius of the proposed facility. These stakeholders will receive the outreach materials described below. The stakeholders list will continue to be updated as additional individuals and entities express interest in the project by attending public meetings, submitting comments on the application or contacting the project contacts at Sharps or NYSDEC.

#### **Previous Public Outreach**

On September 17, 2018 Sharps held a Public Information Meeting at P.S. 202, Ernest Jenkyns School located at 982 Hegeman Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11208 to provide interested members of the community with information about the proposed transfer facility. The NYSDEC determined that sufficient information was not provided at this meeting, and this is why the second meeting is being conducted. The first full Public Participation Plan is available for review in the online repository.

## **Proposed Public Participation and Outreach**

To inform the public about the project, provide the opportunity to comment during the solid waste permit application review process, and to address the Commissioner's Policy-29 Environmental Justice and Permitting, a public formational videoconference meeting will be held on June 1st, 2021 at 7pm EST, as a publicly accessible online videoconference.

A public meeting invitation/notice (Appendix C) will be sent to interested parties on the contact list found in Appendix A and published in both an English language and a Spanish language local newspaper as approved by NYSDEC. The public meeting notice, containing instructions on how impacted residents can attend the online meeting and participate in the review process, will be mailed to business organizations and property owners within a 500 ft. radius of the facility and to local stakeholders (Appendix A). The notice will include:

- the time and date of the videoconference meeting;
- directions on how to obtain application materials on the public website;
- instructions on how residents can submit questions or comments via email, writing or telephone;
- the deadline for submitting questions via those alternative methods; and
- a list of telephone numbers and email addresses for relevant contacts.

The contact list will include contact information for the individuals designated by Sharps Compliance to serve as liaison to the community. The public meeting notice will be accessible via the following link: <http://www.sharpsinc.com/public-participation-plan>

The video- or teleconference will be conducted not less than 15 days from the postmark date of the fact sheet and meeting invitation mailing.

### **To Join Online:**

Click the following link:

<https://zoom.us/j/94974876540?pwd=ZnZ4aExTVFh5eFMxOTJHb3dB eEg2dz09>

Passcode: 637654

Use your browser or the Zoom App

### **To Call In by Telephone:**

Dial-In Number: (929) 205-6099

Meeting ID: 949 7487 6540

Commentors may submit comments or questions to the applicant by telephone or email for a period of 15 days from the date of the video- or teleconference. The minimum public comment period will be 35 days from the date of the post mark date of the fact sheet and the meeting invitation. Sharps will provide the DEC staff written comments, if any, and a summary of the public comments received.

## **Fact Sheet**

Sharps has prepared a fact sheet, in English and Spanish, for distribution to stakeholders. This fact sheet addresses all ongoing and proposed facility operations and provides stakeholders with a summary of the proposed project, (Appendix B). The fact sheet and the meeting invitation will be distributed to the Stakeholder List not less than 15 days before the video- or teleconference.

## **4. Document Repositories/Distribution of Project Information**

As per the recent guidance from the DEC regarding CP-29 pertaining to COVID-19, all documents relating to the project and the solid waste permit application will be made available online at the Sharps website. It can be accessed at any time at the below link.

<http://www.sharpsinc.com/public-participation-plan>

The link for the online document repository will also be included on the meeting invitation and the fact sheet.

The following documents will be available for viewing at this repository and will be updated by Sharps on an ongoing basis as needed:

### **2021 Public Information Materials**

1. Location Map for the Project (Figure 1);
2. The Permit Application Package submitted to the NYSDEC, including engineering reports, site plans and environmental review materials;
3. The Draft Permit;
4. Stakeholder List;
5. The Project Fact Sheet (English/Spanish);
6. The Public Notice (English/Spanish);
7. The Public Hearing Presentation;
8. List of Related Permits and Status;
9. Part 364 Waste Transporter Permits 2A-538; and
10. Responses to Notices of Incomplete Application

### **2018 Public Information Materials**

1. Sharps Compliance, Inc. Engineering Report for Regulated Medical Waste Transfer Station, 893 Shepherd Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11208 (revised June 19, 2018);
2. Sharps Compliance, Inc. Addendum to The Revised June 19, 2018 Engineering Report for Regulated Medical Waste Transfer Station 893 Shepherd Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11208 (August 21, 2018);
3. Response to NOIA Application (October 22, 2018);
4. Draft Permit Application Package: Public Participation Plan;
5. Contact List (updated 9.18.18);
6. Public Notice of September 17, 2018 Public Information Meeting;
7. Fact Sheet;
8. Location Map; and



## 9. Presentation.

### **5. Outreach Summary/Certification Document**

Upon completion of the 2021 informational meeting Sharps will submit a written Certification Document to the NYSDEC to certify that it has complied with all of the requirements of the PPP. In addition to the written certification, a final summary report will be submitted to the NYSDEC. The Certification Document will become part of the permit application and will be made available to the public at the document repository. The Certification Document will also include several appendices as follows:

- Copies of written information such as notices, flyers, and briefing invitations;
- Proof of advertisement of the meeting invitation in a newspaper;
- The attendance/meeting participation list from the public outreach video teleconference;
- Copies of meeting agendas;
- Copies of all public comments received; and
- Summary of the video or tele-conference including notes, the Q&A and a summary of all public comments received.

## Appendix A

### Stakeholders and Outreach Contact List

#### Community Leaders: Local Elected/Government Officials

##### **Brooklyn Borough President**

Hon. Eric L. Adams  
Brooklyn Borough Hall  
209 Joralemon St.  
Brooklyn, NY 11201  
Tel: 718-802 3700

##### **Brooklyn Community Board 5**

Andre T. Mitchell, Chair  
404 Pine Street, 3rd Floor  
Brooklyn, NY 11208  
Tel: 929-221-8261

##### **NYC City Council District #42**

Hon. Inez Barron, NYC Council Member  
447 New Lots Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11207  
Tel: 718-649-9495

##### **NYS Senator**

Hon. Roxanne J. Persaud  
1222 East 96th St.  
Brooklyn, NY 11236  
Tel: 718-649-7653

##### **NYS Assemblyman**

Hon. Charles D. Barron  
669 Vermont St  
Brooklyn, NY 11207  
Tel: 718-257-5824

##### **U.S. House of Representatives**

Hon. Hakeem Jeffries  
445 Neptune Ave 1st. Floor,  
Community Room 2C  
Brooklyn NY, 11224  
Tel: 718-373-0033

##### **Commissioner NYC DEP**

Vincent Sapienza  
59-17 Junction Boulevard  
Elmhurst, NY 11373  
Tel: 718-595-6565

##### **County Clerk Kings County Clerk's Office**

Nancy T. Sunshine  
360 Adams Street, Room 189  
Brooklyn, NY 11201  
Tel: 347-404-9772

##### **Comptroller**

Hon. Scott Stringer  
1 Centre Street  
New York, NY 10007  
Tel: 212-669-3916

##### **Public Advocate**

Hon. Jumaane Williams  
1 Centre Street, 15th Floor  
New York, NY 10007  
Tel: 212-669-7250

## Appendix A

### Churches

#### **Bethlehem Baptist Church**

1962 Linden Blvd  
Brooklyn, NY 11207  
Tel: 718-257-8300

#### **True Worship Church**

872 Crescent Street  
Brooklyn NY, 11208  
Tel: 718-485-9703

#### **Hebron Baptist Church**

450 Fountain Ave  
Brooklyn, NY 11208  
Tel: 718-272-4600

#### **New Life Church**

931 Dumont Ave  
Brooklyn, NY 11208  
Tel: 718498-9265

#### **Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church**

509 Van Siclen Ave.  
Brooklyn, NY 11207  
Tel: 718-342-7461

#### **Southern Baptist Church Att: Pastor**

820 Stanley Ave  
Brooklyn, NY 11207  
Tel: 718-272-4848

#### **Church of the Holy Redeemer**

Attn: Pastor  
2424 Linden Boulevard  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

### Community/Civic Organizations

#### **East New York Beacon Program**

350 Linwood St.  
Brooklyn, NY 11207  
Tel: 718-277-3522

#### **Christian Cultural Center**

12020 Flatlands Ave  
Brooklyn, NY 11207  
Tel: 718-306-1000

#### **Man Up! Inc.**

797 Van Siclen Ave  
Brooklyn, NY 11207  
Tel: 718-498-2320

#### **Cypress Hills Local Development Corporation**

625 Jamaica Ave  
Brooklyn, NY 11208  
Tel; 718-647-2800

#### **United Community Centers**

613 New Lots Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11207

#### **Church Avenue Merchants Block Association**

Attn: Joanne M. Oplustil, President & CEO  
1720 Church Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11226

#### **Local Development Corp of East New York**

Sherry Roberts, Executive Director  
80 Jamaica Avenue, 3rd Floor  
Brooklyn, NY 11207

#### **Wayside Baptist Church Senior Center**

Attn.: Executive Director  
726 Stanley Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11207

#### **Boulevard NYCHA Houses**

Attn: President – Resident Association  
785 Linden Boulevard  
Brooklyn, NY 11207

#### **Boulevard Nursery School**

2150 Linden Boulevard  
Brooklyn, NY 11207

## Appendix A

### Local Media Outlets

#### **Spectrum NY 1 News**

75 Ninth Avenue  
New York, NY 10011

#### **New York Daily News**

4 New York Plaza  
New York, NY 10004

#### **New York Post**

1211 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, NY 10036

#### **Courier-Life Publications**

1 Metro-Tech Center North - 10th Floor  
Brooklyn, NY 11201

#### **Hoy Nueva York**

**15 Metrotech Center Floor 7**  
Brooklyn, NY 11201

#### **Brooklyn Daily Eagle**

16 Court Street, 30th Floor  
Brooklyn, NY 11241

#### **The Brooklyn Papers**

1 Metrotech Center, 3rd Floor  
Brooklyn, NY 11201

#### **El Diario La Prensa**

15 Metrotech Center Floor 7  
Brooklyn, NY 1120

#### **El Correo**

One MetroTech Center  
Brooklyn, NY 11201

## Appendix A

### Adjacent Properties (Within 500' Radius)

**SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services**

562 Wortman Ave,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Canarsie Glass and Lock Service.**

678 Berriman St,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Eagle Spice Extract Co Inc.**

910 Shepherd Ave,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Atlas Roll Off Corp Dumpster.**

895 Essex St,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Century Furniture.**

555 Wortman Ave,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Adorable Pillows.**

902 Essex St,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Assurance Collision Center Incorporated**

507 Wortman Ave,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Casella Imports.**

33 Stanley Ave,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Botadero Basura Brooklyn**

878-902 Essex St  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Alro Products.**

2348 Linden Blvd,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Biltmore Trunk.**

850 Shepherd Ave,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Shepherd Distributors.**

2300 Linden Blvd,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Louis Shiffman Electric.**

542 Wortman Ave,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Action Carting Environmental.**

941 Stanley Ave,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Chesed Electronics Ltd.**

1000 Stanley Ave,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Peralta Metal Works.**

602 Atkins Ave,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Animal Care Centers of NYC – Brooklyn**

2336 Linden Blvd  
Brooklyn NY, 11208

**Novel Box Company, Ltd**

659 Berriman St,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

**Distinctive Displays Inc.**

582 Montauk Ave,  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

### Schools and Daycare Centers

**P.S. 202 Ernest Jenkyns School**

982 Hegeman Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11208

## Appendix A

### 2018 PPP Meeting Request for Future Information List

Name	Phone Number or Email Address	Complete Address
Damian Mercado	<a href="mailto:damianM413@gmail.com">damianM413@gmail.com</a>	
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Lisa Williams	<a href="mailto:Lwilliams2u@aol.com">Lwilliams2u@aol.com</a>	747 Williams Ave Brooklyn, NY 11207
Veronica Aveis	<a href="mailto:Aveis@NYSenate.gov">Aveis@NYSenate.gov</a>	1222 E 96th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11236-3903
Hazel Worley	<a href="mailto:HWorley@aol.com">HWorley@aol.com</a>	1019 Van Sicken Ave #2L, Brooklyn, NY 11207-9037
Keron Alleyne	<a href="mailto:Kalleyne12@gmail.com">Kalleyne12@gmail.com</a>	460 Atkins Avenue 2F Brooklyn, NY 11208
Jamila Fynes	<a href="mailto:jfynes@cityhall.nyc.gov">jfynes@cityhall.nyc.gov</a>	
Joy Simmons	<a href="mailto:jsimmons@council.nyc.gov">jsimmons@council.nyc.gov</a>	
Melinda Perkins	<a href="mailto:mperkins@cb.nyc.gov">mperkins@cb.nyc.gov</a>	404 Pine Street, 3rd Floor Brooklyn, New York 11208

**Appendix B**

**FACT SHEET**

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**Sharps Compliance  
Proposed Regulated Medical Waste Transfer Facility  
893 Shepherd Ave., Brooklyn, NY  
NYSDEC Application ID# 2-6105-00889/00001**

## FACT SHEET

Sharps Compliance, Inc., (Sharps) seeks a NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Solid Waste Management permit to operate a regulated medical waste transfer facility at 893 Shepherd Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. Application ID# 2-6105-00889/00001. Pursuant to NYSDEC Commissioner Policy 29, Environmental Justice and Permitting (CP-29), a Public Participation Plan and this fact sheet have been prepared and a virtual meeting is being held in order to inform the public about the project and provide the opportunity to comment during the permit application review process.

**Project Description:** Currently, Sharps use the facility to transfer wastes generated by health care facilities which are deemed “hazardous waste” by State and Federal regulation. Examples of these hazardous wastes include: rubbing alcohol; insulin; nicotine; asthma inhalers; vaccines; certain pharmaceuticals and x-ray developer solution. The facility also presently serves as a truck depot for Sharps’ collection vehicles and houses administrative offices. Sharps proposes to add RMW to the health-care wastes which may be transferred at the facility. The facility will receive, store and transfer sealed containers of hazardous waste and RMW into long-haul trucks for offsite treatment. These sealed containers will be collected from local healthcare facilities. Throughout the collection, transport and transfer process (from healthcare facility to offsite treatment) all hazardous waste and RMW containers remain sealed. Regular operating hours are anticipated to be from 6:00 am to 7:00 pm, Monday through Friday. However, the facility is seeking approval to operate 24 hours per day, seven days per week to allow for infrequent emergency response. After adding RMW, operation of the facility is projected to generate a maximum of 30 collection vehicle round trips per day, 7 long-haul truck round trips per day and 14 employee vehicle trips per day.

**What is RMW?** Examples of these wastes include used personal protective equipment such as masks, gowns and rubber gloves. Also included as RMW are materials typically used in diagnostic procedures, such as tissue and fluid samples, pathological wastes, used needles and syringes, discarded bandages, swabs and tubing. Expired pharmaceutical products and trace chemotherapy vials are also classified as RMW, as are devices typically used to administer insulin for diabetic treatment.

**Will the proposed transfer station impact the surrounding community?** Sharps is aware that certain environmental impacts including truck traffic, noise, and air pollution may be of concern. Sharps will eliminate or mitigate these potential impacts by: (1) conducting operations inside the fully enclosed facility behind closed doors; and (2) prohibiting incoming trucks from queuing on public streets; and (3) implementing a rigorous training program. RMW is subject to specific City, State and Federal storage, handling and disposal regulations to prevent adverse impacts.

**How can I participate in the permit review process?** A public meeting overviewing the project will be held as an online video-conference, allowing impacted residents and community stakeholders to submit questions, comments, and concerns about the project. An informational flier including instructions on how to attend the meeting will be mailed to all impacted residents and elected officials. Comments may be provided during the meeting or in writing or by phone up to June 24, 2021; however for comments to be formally considered by the NYSDEC they must be mailed or emailed to the NYSDEC during the 15 day formal comment period from June 9 – June 24, 2021. Please see contact information included below.

**Where can I get more information about the proposed transfer station?**

- Visit the online repository: <http://www.sharpsinc.com/public-participation-plan>.



- Join the teleconference meeting about the permit application on June 1st, 2021 at 7:00 pm at <https://zoom.us/j/94974876540?pwd=ZnZ4aExTVFh5eFMxOTJHb3dBeEg2dz09>, Meeting ID 949 7487 6540, Passcode 637654. Dial 1-929-436-2866. Call Curtis Knisley, Directory of Quality and Safety, Sharps Compliance, Inc., 9220 Kirby Drive Suite 500, Houston, TX 77054  
Tel: (800) 772-5657  
Email: [cknisley@sharpsinc.com](mailto:cknisley@sharpsinc.com)

**Who's responsible for reviewing the permit application?** The NYSDEC, Division of Environmental Permits, 1 Hunters Point Plaza, 47-40 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Long Island City, NY 11101 is responsible for reviewing and issuing the permit. Phone number: (718) 482-4997 or email to: [dep.r2@dec.ny.gov](mailto:dep.r2@dec.ny.gov).

## **HOJA DE HECHOS**

**Cumplimiento de Sharps**  
**Instalación de Transferencia de Residuos Médicos Regulados Propuesto**  
**893 Shepherd Ave., Brooklyn, NY**  
**NYSDEC Application ID# 2-6105-00889/00001**

## **HOJA DE HECHOS**

Sharps Compliance, Inc., (Sharps) solicita un permiso de Manejo de Desechos Sólidos del Departamento de Conservación Ambiental (DEC) del Estado de Nueva York para operar una regulada de transferencia de desechos médicos regulados en 893 Shepherd Avenue, Brooklyn, Nueva York. ID de la aplicación # 2-6105-00889/00001. De acuerdo con la Política 29 del Comisionado de NYSDEC, Justicia y Permisos Ambientales (CP-29), se ha preparado un Plan de Participación Pública y esta hoja informativa y habrá una junta virtual para informar al público sobre el proyecto y proporcionar oportunidad de comentarios públicos durante el proceso de revisión de la solicitud.

**Descripción del proyecto:** Corrientemente, Sharps utilizan la instalación para transferir desechos generados por instalaciones de atención médica que se consideran "desechos peligrosos" por las regulaciones estatales y federales. Ejemplos de estos desechos peligrosos incluyen: alcohol isopropílico; insulina; nicotina; inhaladores de asma; vacunas; ciertos productos farmacéuticos y una solución de revelador de rayos X. La instalación también sirve, corrientemente, como depósito de camiones de recolección de Sharps y alberga nuestras oficinas administrativas. Sharps propone agregar desechos medicos regulados (RMW) a los desechos sanitarios que pueden ser transferidos a la instalación. La instalación recibirá, almacenará y transferirá contenedores sellados de desechos peligrosos y RMW a camiones de larga recorrido para su tratamiento fuera del sitio. Estos contenedores sellados se recogerán en los centros de salud locales. Durante todo el proceso de recolección, transporte y transferencia (desde el centro de atención médica hasta el tratamiento fuera del sitio), todos los contenedores de residuos peligrosos y de RMW permanecen sellados. Se anticipa que el horario habitual de funcionamiento será de de 6:00 am a 7:00 pm, de lunes a viernes. Sin embargo, la instalación está buscando aprobación para operar las 24 horas del día, los siete días de la semana para permitir una respuesta de emergencia menos frecuente. Después de agregar RMW, se proyecta que la operación de la instalación generará un máximo de 30 viajes de ida y vuelta de vehículos de recolección por día, 7 viajes de ida y vuelta de camiones de larga distancia por día y 14 viajes de vehículos de empleados por día.

**¿Qué es RMW?** Ejemplos de estos desechos incluyen equipo de protección personal usados como máscaras, batas y guantes de goma. También se incluyen como RMW materiales utilizados normalmente en procedimientos de diagnóstico, tales como muestras de tejido y fluidos, desechos patológicos, agujas y jeringas usadas, vendajes desechados, hisopos y tubos. Los productos farmacéuticos vencidos y los viales de trazas de quimioterapia también se clasifican como RMW, al igual que los dispositivos que se usan típicamente para administrar insulina para el tratamiento de la diabetes.

**¿ La estación de transferencia propuesta afectará a la comunidad que los rodea?** Sharps es consciente de que ciertos impactos ambientales, como el tráfico de camiones, el ruido y la contaminación del aire, pueden ser motivo de preocupación. Sharps eliminarán o mitigarán estos impactos potenciales al: (1) realizar operaciones dentro de la instalación completamente cerrada a puerta cerrada; y (2) prohibir que los camiones entrantes hagan cola en la vía pública; y (3) implementar un programa riguroso de formación. RMW está sujeto a regulaciones específicas de almacenamiento, manipulación y eliminación de la ciudad, el estado y el gobierno federal para evitar impactos adversos.

**¿Cómo puedo participar en el proceso de revisión de permisos?** Se llevará a cabo una reunión pública que revisará el proyecto como una videoconferencia en línea, lo que permitirá a los residentes afectados y a las partes interesadas de la comunidad enviar preguntas, comentarios e inquietudes sobre el proyecto. Se enviará por correo un volante informativo que incluya instrucciones sobre cómo asistir a la reunión a todos los residentes y

funcionarios electos afectados. Los comentarios pueden ser proporcionados durante la junta o por escrito o por teléfono hasta el 24 de Junio de 2021; Sin embargo, para que los comentarios sean considerados formalmente por el NYSDEC deben ser enviados por correo o enviados por correo electrónico al NYSDEC durante el período de comentarios formales de 15 días del 9 de Junio al 24 de Junio de 2021. Consulte la información de contacto que se incluye a continuación.

**¿Dónde puedo obtener más información sobre la estación de transferencia propuesta?**

- Visite el repositorio en línea: <http://www.sharpsinc.com/public-participation-plan> .
- Únase a la junta de teleconferencia sobre la solicitud de permiso el 1 de Junio de 2021 a partir de las 7:00 pmen <https://zoom.us/j/94974876540?pwd=ZnZ4aExTVFh5eFMxOTJHb3dBeEg2dz09>, la ID de junta es 949 7487 6540, la contraseña es 637654. Marque 929-436-2866. Llame Curtis Knisley, Directorio de Calidad y Seguridad, Sharps Compliance, Inc.  
9220 Kirby Drive Suite 500  
Houston, TX 77054,  
Tel: (800) 772-5657  
Correo electrónico: [cknisley@sharpsinc.com](mailto:cknisley@sharpsinc.com)

**¿Quién es responsable de revisar la solicitud de permiso?** La División de Permisos Ambientales de NYSDEC, 1 Hunters Point Plaza, 47-40 21st Street, Long Island City, NY 11101 es responsable de revisar y emitir el permiso. Número de teléfono: (718) 482-4997 o correo electrónico a: [dep.r2@dec.ny.gov](mailto:dep.r2@dec.ny.gov).

## **Appendix C**

### **MEETING NOTICE**

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**Sharps Compliance, Inc.**  
**Regulated Medical Waste Transfer Facility**  
**893 Shepherd Ave., Brooklyn, NY**  
**NYSDEC Application ID# 2-6105-00889/00001**

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**Community Meeting Tele/Videoconference**  
**June 1st, 2021 @ 7pm EST**

To Join Online:

Click the following link:

<https://zoom.us/j/94974876540?pwd=ZnZ4aExTVFh5eFMxOTJHb3dBcEg2dz09>

Password: 637654

Use your browser or the Zoom App

To Call in by Telephone:

Dial in using the local number:

(929) 205-6099

Meeting ID: 949 7487 6540

Sharps Compliance, Inc., (Sharps) has applied for a permit from the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) to operate a regulated medical waste (RMW) transfer facility at 893 Shepherd Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. In accordance with NYSDEC Commissioner Policy 29, Environmental Justice and Permitting (CP-29), this Community Meeting and a Public Participation Plan has been prepared to inform the public about the project and to provide opportunity for public comment during the application review process.

**Project Description:** Sharps currently transfers by-products of health care facilities which are deemed “hazardous waste” by State and Federal regulation at its facility located at 893 Shepherd Ave. Brooklyn NY. The facility is also a truck depot for Sharps’ RMW collection vehicles and for administrative services. Sharps proposes to use this facility to transfer sealed containers of RMW and hazardous waste from Sharps’ collection vehicles into long-haul trucks for shipment to out-of-state facilities. The facility will accept a maximum of 48 tons of RMW per day. The facility’s normal operating hours are 6 AM to 7 PM Monday through Friday, except for emergency situations. After adding RMW to the current operation a maximum of 30 collection vehicle trips per day, 7 long-haul truck trips per day and 14 employee vehicle trips per day is projected.

**Where can I get more information?** All permit application documents are available and can be accessed on-line at: <http://www.sharpsinc.com/public-participation-plan>

If you have any questions regarding the meeting or the project, please contact Curtis Knisley, Director of Quality Assurance, Sharps Compliance, Inc. by telephone at (800) 772-5657 or by email at [cknisley@sharpsinc.com](mailto:cknisley@sharpsinc.com).

If you are not able to attend the tele/videoconference, questions and comments may be submitted via email, writing or telephone until using the contact information provided above.

Following the meeting, formal comments may be submitted in writing directly to the NYSDEC by mail or by email during the formal public comment period of June 9-24, 2021.

NYSDEC  
Division of Environmental Permits  
47-40 21<sup>st</sup> Street  
Long Island City, NY 11101

or via email to: [dep.r2@dec.ny.gov](mailto:dep.r2@dec.ny.gov).

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**Sharps Compliance, Inc.**  
**Instalación regulada de transferencia de desechos médicos**  
**893 Shepherd Ave., Brooklyn, NY**  
**NYSDEC Application # 2-6105-00889/00001**

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**Reunión comunitaria Tele / Videoconferencia Miércoles,  
1 de junio de 2021 a las 7pm EST.**

Para unirse en línea:

Haga clic en el siguiente enlace:

<https://zoom.us/j/94974876540?pwd=ZnZ4aExTVFh5eFMxOTJHb3dBcEg2dz09>

Passcode: 637654

Utilice su navegador o la aplicación Zoom

Para llamar por llamada local

Marca: (929) 205-6099

Meeting ID: 949 7487 6540

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**Descripción del proyecto:** Corrientemente, Sharps transfiere subproductos de las instalaciones de atención médica que se consideran "desechos peligrosos" por las regulaciones estatales y federales en su instalación ubicada en 893 Shepherd Ave. Brooklyn, NY. La instalación también es un depósito de camiones para los vehículos de recolección RMW de Sharps y para servicios administrativos. Sharps propone utilizar esta instalación para transferir contenedores sellados de RMW y desechos peligrosos de los vehículos de recolección de Sharps a camiones de largo recorrido para su envío a instalaciones fuera del estado. La instalación aceptará un máximo de 48 toneladas de RMW por día. El horario normal de funcionamiento de la instalación es de 6 a. m. a 7 p. m. de lunes a viernes, excepto en situaciones de emergencia. Después de agregar RMW a la operación actual, se proyectan un máximo de 30 viajes de vehículos de recolección por día, 7 viajes en camiones de larga distancia por día y 14 viajes en vehículos para empleados por día.

**¿Dónde puedo obtener más información?** Todos los documentos de solicitud de permiso están disponibles y se puede acceder en línea en:

<http://www.sharpsinc.com/public-participation-plan>

Si tiene alguna pregunta con respecto a la reunión, comuníquese con:

Curtis Knisley, Director de Garantía de Calidad, Sharps Compliance, Inc. por teléfono al (800) 772-5657 o por correo electrónico a [cknisley@sharpsinc.com](mailto:cknisley@sharpsinc.com)

Después de la junta, los comentarios formales pueden ser enviados por escrito directamente al NYSDEC por correo o por correo electrónico durante el período formal de comentarios públicos del 9 al 24 de Junio de 2021.

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