On April 11, 2020, a scheduled implosion demolition of a structure (smokestack) was conducted at the address 3501 S. Pulaski Rd., the former Crawford Power Generating Station. Parties involved in the implosion were:

- Hilco Redevelopment Partners LLC (the developer)
- HRP Exchange 55 LLC, (the owner)
- MCM Industrial Services LLC/MCM Management Corp., (the demolition contractor)
- CDI/Controlled Demolition Incorporated, (the explosive demolition company)

Two water trucks and two dust suppression water cannons were supposed to be stationed along the north and south area of the planned drop zone based on the "Exclusion Zone" document provided by CDI. The reporting inspector could not see if the equipment was present due to vantage point. Standing along the northern perimeter of the site were two rented water trucks on standby along with CFD (Chicago Fire Department) for assistance. The reporting inspector Francisco Flores Silva was on site near the Morgan Harbor command site.

Weather conditions were slightly overcast at 7:38 A.M. The temperature was 45 degrees Fahrenheit. At approximately 7:58 a two-minute-long siren was sounded followed by the explosive detonation at approximately 8:00 A.M. The structure toppled east as planned and generated a plume of dust upon impact with the ground.

A wind current from the south to north carried the plume of dust through the site due north. The cloud of dust was thick as it traveled through the site. Visibility was limited due to the dust. Two rented water trucks stationed at the northern perimeter of the site were hosing the area to prevent the dust cloud from exiting the site. The reporting inspector's line of sight was positioned westward as the dust cloud traveled northbound. The reporting inspector did not observe what CFD was doing at the time due to the inspector's line of sight. The dust was not suppressed adequately and continued to travel off-site towards the residential area north of the site.

The cloud of dust slowly dispersed and became less thick as it continued to travel northbound. The reporting inspector then drove around the residential area directly north of the site to view if any residual dust from the cloud had settled. The reporting inspector observed dust on multiple cars and on trees.

HRP Exchange 55 LLC failed to take reasonable precautions to minimize wind borne particulates from the demolition of the smoke stack. HRP Exchange 55 LLC failed to adequately wet the smoke stack demolition area to prevent the emission or dispersion of dust. HRP Exchange 55 LLC failed to adequately wet the site in order to prevent the off site dispersion of the dust and therefore also caused a nuisance. HRP Exchange 55 LLC did not have adequate dust control measures in place which allowed the demolition of the smoke stack to generate and disperse dust to the adjacent residential area. By allowing the dust to migrate off site, HRP Exchange 55 LLC generated conditions detrimental to the health of the nearby residents, and therefore also created a nuisance.

Based on this information the reporting inspector will issue citations to HRP Exchange 55 LLC based off the City of Chicago Ordinance: 11-4-2170(b)(1) Demolitions and renovations: control and disposal of dust and debris, 11-4-760(a) Handling and storage of material susceptible to becoming windborne, 13-32-125(2)(a) Construction site cleanliness, and 7-28-080 Nuisance in connection with business. The Citation numbers are E0000358061 15 and E0000358071 16. The hearing date is August 6, 2020.
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NARRATIVE EVALUATION

INSPECTION DATE: 04/11/2020
SITE NAME: Crawford Stack HRP Exchange 55
SITE ADDRESS: 3501 S PULASKI RD, CHICAGO, IL 60623
SITE CODE: Crawford Stack HRP Exchange 55
PERMIT #: ENVGEN1234557

TIME: 9:45 am
EMPLOYEE: FRANCISCO FLORESSILVA
COUNTY: COOK / CHICAGO
INSPECTION #: 1530625

SUMMARY

I, FRANCISCO FLORESSILVA, an employee of the City of Chicago, Department of Public Health, declare that I have conducted an inspection of the above mentioned property on the date indicated. I further declare that the observations set forth on the report are true and accurate.
COMMENTS: Photo A- 3501 S. Pulaski Rd., Photo of smokestack before implosion.

COMMENTS: Photo B- 3501 S. Pulaski Rd., Photo of initial impact of smokestack after implosion detonation.
DATE: 04/11/2020
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COMMENTS: Photo C- 3501 S. Pulaski Rd., Photo of dust cloud generated by smokestack upon impact with ground.

DATE: 04/11/2020
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COMMENTS: Photo D- 3501 S. Pulaski Rd., Photo of dust cloud moving north from impact drop area.
DATE: 04/11/2020  
SITE: 3501 S PULASKI RD  
SITE CODE: Crawford Stack HRP Exchange 55  
PERMIT #: ENVGEN1234557  
TIME: 4/11/2020 9:45:00AM  
INSPECTOR: FRANCISCO FLORESSILVA  
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COMMENTS: Photo E- 3501 S. Pulaski Rd., Photo of dust cloud continuing to move north from impact drop area. Thick cloud of particulates can be seen.

DATE: 04/11/2020  
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COMMENTS: Photo F- 3501 S. Pulaski Rd., Photo of dust cloud can be seen moving north onto residential area. Water truck can be seen hosing water.
DATE: 04/11/2020
SITE: 3501 S PULASKI RD
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COMMENTS: Photo G- 3501 S. Pulaski Rd., Photo of dust cloud continuing to migrate north.

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COMMENTS: Photo H- 3501 S. Pulaski Rd., Photo of dust cloud continuing to move north.
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COMMENTS:  Photo I- 3501 S. Pulaski Rd., Photo of area where smokestack was dropped. Dust can still be seen.

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COMMENTS:  Photo J- 3501 S. Pulaski Rd., Photo of car located in residential area north of site. Dust can be seen on car.
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COMMENTS: Photo K-3501 S. Pulaski Rd., Photo of car located in residential area north of site. Settled dust can be seen on car.

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COMMENTS: Photo L-3501 S. Pulaski Rd., Photo of car located in residential area north of site. Settled dust can be seen on car.
COMMENTS: Photo M-3501 S. Pulaski Rd. Photo of settled dust on car located in residential area north of site.

COMMENTS: Photo N-3501 S. Pulaski Rd. Photo of car with settled dust located in residential area north of site. Car is facing north. Site where implosion took place can be seen in the rear.
COMMENTS: Photo O-3501 S. Pulaski Rd. Closer view of car facing north. Settled dust can be seen.
### SITE SKETCH

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