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### SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

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## Redeveloping PA's brownfields sites & bring clean energy to market for a better future

When Governor Ridge came into office, Act 2 of 1995 gave new promise to hundreds of Pennsylvania's communities with run down and abandoned or undeveloped industrial sites, many of which were already in decline. The promise and hope for future employment in these communities was being lost, although many of those who worked at these industrial sites and lost their jobs still lived nearby.



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We, at RT, saw that the concepts which were to be included in the Act 2 of 1995 Land Reclamation Program's

the State - Industrial Parks, Service Stations, Chemical Facilities and three Major Landfills in Bellmawr)  
 • The Ohio State Library  
 • New Retail Stores at Brownfield Sites, including retail pharmacy chains, convenience store chains, and retail donut shops in Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and along the east coast extending north to New England.

As Southeast Pennsylvania now looks to its future in a replay of history, it has become clear that energy resources will come into play to provide a better future for

Pennsylvania's workers and their families. Again and again this has been true in Pennsylvania, from when the first oil was found near Titusville and when extensive coal mining (anthracite in the northeast, to extensive soft coal in the western part of the state) provided jobs for millions and millions of Pennsylvanians over many decades.

However, the difference now is that the energy being produced is clean natural gas, and we can make extensive use of existing infrastructure, such as the

millions upon millions of dollars being spent by Sunoco Logistics for new pipelines leading to Marcus Hook, where clean gas is being exported to Europe such as in England and Norway, where North Sea energy resources have played out. A recent Email Blast which follows this article, highlights a new future for Pennsylvania's southernmost industrial site located in a town which had fallen on hard times, when the big refinery closed a number of years ago.

This article is heartwarming and Marcus Hook's long time

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Hello Gary  
 Thanks for Hook promise articles and about the amount of these days an is much more

Best Regard  
 Bruce

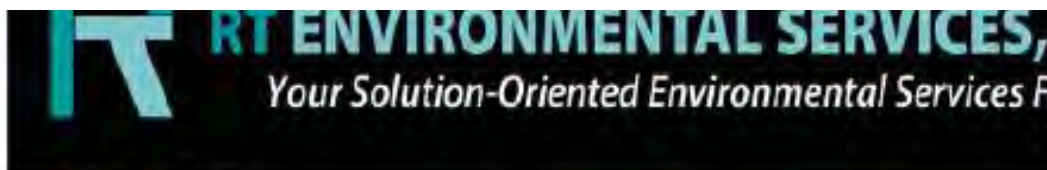
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process not only made common sense, but afforded a positive economic incentive to clean up sites quickly and efficiently, and was considered a major breakthrough at the time. Prior to establishment of the Land Recycling process, efforts to cleanup sites led to wastes remaining at sites for indeterminate periods of time while waiting for regulatory responses and the agency's determination of whether a cleanup effort was satisfactory. These regulatory decisions were made on an individual site by site basis, with no uniform standards for cleanup.

RT has now handled more than 200 Act 2 Land Recycling sites throughout the Commonwealth. One of our largest current projects is at Beaver Valley Slag, located in Aliquippa directly northwest of Pittsburgh. The site was formerly one of the world's largest steel mills, and millions of tons of slag were deposited at and around the site. This led to what is currently the second largest slag deposit east of the Mississippi River. The site is currently undergoing a slag reclamation process, and was awarded a Pennsylvania Environmental Council Award for the positive impacts to the environment and Western Pennsylvania.

As our company has expanded over the years, we have also been asked to assist on notable Brownfields Projects in:

- Mare Island, California (PCB Remediation Demonstration)
- Bermuda (Two Defense Bases)
- New Jersey (Throughout



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pipelines from the western part of the state following an historic pipeline right of way which originally fed refined westward from one of Philadelphia's largest refineries, on 26th Street. Refined petroleum products went to the Pennsylvania and to southwest New York. Putting new pipelines in existing pipeline rights of way, unique environmental impact, as we have learned over many years in Pennsylvania to complete projects which minimize impact.

One of RT's biggest areas of focus is assisting and taking a second look at projects having technical difficulties. W historically, the best techniques were not brought to remediation sites, and the most flexible redevelopment as properly identified.

Since our start up in October 1988, we have successfully completed thousands of projects and obtained several lia our clients. We welcome each and every opportunity given to us by potential clients. Our client retention rate compared to our peers, and our proposal acceptance rate routinely exceeds 65%. At RT, each site deserves our cl that we can help our clients understand what we can do for them to help achieve their objectives.

Whether in Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Wilkes Barre or Meadville, we serve all of Pennsylvania and welcome furt to be of service.

Call us if you need us.

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