

# NATIONAL HISTORIC LIGHTHOUSE PRESERVATION ACT NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

## Bellevue Range Rear Tower Structure New Castle County, Delaware April 26, 2007

The light station property described on the attached sheet has been determined to be excess to the needs of the Federal government. Pursuant to the National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 2000, 16 U.S.C. 470, this property is being made available at no cost to **eligible entities defined as Federal Agencies, state and local agencies, non-profit corporations, educational agencies, or community development organizations, for education, park, recreation, cultural, or historic preservation purposes.**

An eligible entity with an interest in acquiring the described property for a use consistent with the purposes stated above, should submit a letter of interest to the address listed below by **June 26, 2007.**

Letters of interest should include:

- Name of property
- Name of eligible entity
- Point of contact, title, address, phone and email
- Non-profit agencies must provide a copy of their state-certified articles of incorporation

Eligible entities that submit a letter of interest will be sent an application and given an opportunity to inspect the property. Building inspectors and/or contractors may accompany the applicant on the site visit. The completed applications are due to the Department of Interior within 90 days from the date of the Federal Government's scheduled site inspection for eligible entities. The Department of Interior will review applications and select an eligible entity to receive the property. The General Services Administration will complete the conveyance to the selected recipient.

For more information on the disposal of lighthouses, please visit our web site at <http://www.cr.nps.gov/maritime/nhlpa/nhlpa.htm>.

Letters of interest should be directed to:

Vitaliya Dashevskaya, Realty Specialist  
GSA Property Disposal  
401 West Peachtree Street, Suite 820  
Atlanta, GA 30308 (404) 331-2721

A copy of the letter of interest should be sent to:

Daniel R. Griffith, State Historic Preservation Officer  
Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs  
DE State Historic Preservation Office  
15 The Green  
Dover, DE 19901-3611

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GSA Control No.	4-U-DE-469
Property Identification	Bellevue Range Rear Tower Structure
Property Address	Offshore in the Christiana River, approximately 0.3 mile west of Delaware River, New Castle County, Delaware
Property Description	<p>Improvement only. 104 foot tall cast iron skeletal tower situated on nine octagonal concrete piers that project above the surface of the river. Their bases are underwater and each is supported by a cluster of four 50-foot piles with grillage. Each pier supports one of the nine cast iron vertical members that are the main compounds of the tower's skeletal framework. The skeletal framework is pyramidal in shape. A circular watch room and lantern surmount the tower. A cylindrical tower underneath the watch room houses the stairwell leading to the top of the structure. A metal catwalk approximately 50 feet long connects the structure to shore.</p> <p>The cast iron floor inside the cylindrical tower is embossed with a diamond pattern and is painted red. The interior walls are painted white. The exterior of the tower is black. The lighthouse is in need of exterior and interior paint.</p>
Condition of Property	<p>The over structural integrity of the property is good. The light structure has been decommissioned and the active aid to navigation and its optic were removed. The lighthouse is in need of exterior and interior paint.</p> <p>The property is offered "AS IS" and "WHERE IS" without representation, warranty, or guarantee as to quality, quantity, title, character, condition, size or kind.</p>
Range of Possible Uses	Historic Lights and Light Stations may be used for education, park, recreation, cultural, or historic preservation purposes.
Commercial Activities	Commercial activities are prohibited unless approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

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Utilities	No utilities available.
Historical Information	Property is listed on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. Property must be maintained according to the Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Historic covenants will be incorporated into the deed.
Aid to Navigation	The Federal aid to navigation formally located at the property has been deactivated and all of the related equipment removed.
Easements	N/A
Current Tenant	N/A - Property Vacant
Environmental Information	Due to the age of the property, lead-based paint and asbestos may be present.
Notice Response Due Date	June 26, 2007
Attachments	Map/Photos

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