

**NATIONAL HISTORIC LIGHTHOUSE PRESERVATION ACT
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY**

**SHARPS ISLAND LIGHT STATION
CHESAPEAKE BAY, TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND
May 11, 2006**

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.**

Any **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 July 11, 2006.

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

After the close of this Notice of Availability, eligible entities that submit a letter of interest will be sent an application by the Department of Interior and given an opportunity to inspect the property. Building inspectors and/or contractors may accompany the applicant on the site visit. The completed application must be submitted to the Department of Interior within 90 days after receipt. 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 and a sample application, please visit our web site at <http://www.cr.nps.gov/maritime/nhlpa/nhlpa.htm>.

Letters of interest should be directed to: Susan Webb, Project Manager
General Services Administration
Zonal Property Disposal Division (4PR)
401 W. Peachtree St., SW, Suite 820
Atlanta, GA 30308
(404) 331-9610

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

Mr. J. Rodney Little
State Historic Preservation Officer
Department of Housing and Community Dev.
Peoples Resource Center
100 Community Place, 3rd Floor
Crownsville, Maryland 21032-2023

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| GSA Control No. | 4-U-MD-614 |
| Property Identification | Sharps Island Light Station |
| Property Address | Chesapeake Bay, Talbot County, Maryland |
| Property Description | A 14 foot diameter steel shell over brick structure, having 4 stories, plus the light tower and basement. Tower has a pronounced lean. Disposal includes only the improvement. |
| Condition of Property | Good condition with no major structural deficiencies. The property is offered "AS IS" and "WHERE IS" without representation, warranty, or guarantee as to quality, quantity, title, character, condition, size or kind. |
| Range of Possible Uses | Historic lighthouses 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. |
| Utilities | No public utilities are available. |
| Historical Information | Property is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and must be maintained according to the Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Historic covenants will be incorporated into the deed. |
| Aid to Navigation | Aid to navigation status: Active. The Federal aid to navigation located at the property remains the personal property of the United States. The United States reserves an unrestricted right for ingress and egress to maintain, operate, repair, replace, or relocate the aid to navigation and any associated equipment, and an arc of visibility for said aid. |
| Easements/Permits | Subject to any easements, licenses, restrictions and/or encumbrances in the public records of Talbot County, MD |
| Current Tenant | None |
| Environmental Information | Due to the age of the structure, lead-based paint and asbestos may be present. |
| Notice Response Due Date | No later than July 11, 2006 |
| Inspection Date | To be announced after the close of the NOA period |
| Attachments | Photo and map |

