MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT

AIR AND RADIATION ADMINISTRATION APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT

DOCKET #12-23

COMPANY: Mountaire Farms, Inc. – Westover Feed Mill

LOCATION: 30607 Revels Neck Road, Westover, MD 21871

APPLICATION: Modification of hammermills to increase throughput and the installation of

grain handling equipment

<u>ITEM</u>	DESCRIPTION
1	Notice of Application and Informational Meeting
2	Environmental Justice (EJ) Information - EJ Fact Sheet and MDE Score and Screening Report
3	Permit to Construct Application Forms – Form 5, Emissions Estimates
4	Zoning Approval

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AIR AND RADIATION ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST AN INFORMATIONAL MEETING

The Maryland Department of the Environment, Air and Radiation Administration (ARA) received a permit-to-construct application from Mountaire Farms, Inc. – Westover Feed Mill on June 29, 2023 for the modification of hammermills to increase throughput and the installation of grain handling equipment. The proposed installation will be located at 30607 Revels Neck Road, Westover, MD 21871.

In accordance with HB 1200/Ch. 588 of 2022, the applicant provided an environmental justice (EJ) Score for the census tract in which the project is located using the Maryland EJ mapping tool. The EJ Score, expressed as a statewide percentile, was shown to be 67.17 which the Department has verified. This score considers three demographic indicators – minority population above 50%, poverty rate above 25% and limited English proficiency above 15%.

Copies of the application, the EJ mapping tool screening report (which includes the score), and other supporting documents are available for public inspection on the Department's website at https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/Permits/AirManagementPermits/Pages/index.aspx (click on Docket Number 12-23). Any applicant-provided information regarding a description of the environmental and socioeconomic indicators contributing to that EJ score can also be found at the listed website. Such information has not yet been reviewed by the Department. A review of the submitted information will be conducted when the Department undertakes its technical review of all documents included in the application.

Pursuant to the Environment Article, Section 1-603, Annotated Code of Maryland, the Department will hold an informational meeting to discuss the application and the permit review process if the Department receives a written request for a meeting within 10 working days from the date of the second publication of this notice. A requested informational meeting will be held virtually using teleconference or internet-based conferencing technology unless a specific request for an inperson informational meeting is received. All requests for an informational meeting should be directed to the attention of Ms. Shannon Heafey, Air Quality Permits Program, Air and Radiation Administration, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21230. Further information may be obtained by calling Ms. Shannon Heafey at 410-537-4433.

Christopher R. Hoagland, Director Air and Radiation Administration



The Applicant's Guide to Environmental Justice and Permitting What You Need to Know

This fact sheet is designed to provide guidance to applicants on incorporating environmental justice screening requirements pursuant to House Bill 1200, effective October 1, 2022.

What is Environmental Justice?

The concept behind the term environmental justice (EJ) is that regardless of race, color, national origin, or income, all Maryland residents and communities should have an equal opportunity to enjoy an enhanced quality of life. How to assess whether equal protection is being applied is the challenge.

Communities surrounded by a disproportionate number of polluting facilities puts residents at a higher risk for health problems from environmental exposures. It is important that residents who may be adversely affected by a proposed source be aware of the current environmental issues in their community in order to have meaningful involvement in the permitting process. Resources may be available from government and private entities to ensure that community health is not negatively impacted by a new source located in the community.

Extensive research has documented that health disparities exist between demographic groups in the United States, such as differences in mortality and morbidity associated with factors that include race/ethnicity, income, and educational attainment. House Bill 1200 adds to MDE's work incorporating diversity, equity and inclusion into our mission to help overburdened and underserved communities with environmental issues.

What is House Bill 1200 and what does it require?

Effective October 1, 2022, House Bill 1200 requires a person applying for a permit from the Department under §1-601 of the Environment Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland or any permit requiring public notice and participation to include in the application an EJ Score for the census tract where the applicant is seeking the permit; requiring the Department, on receiving a certain permit application to review the EJ Score; and requiring notices to include information related to EJ Scores and generally relating to environmental permits and environmental justice screenings.

What is a "Maryland EJ Tool"?

The term "Maryland EJ Tool" means a publicly available state mapping tool that allows users to: (1) explore layers of environmental justice concern; (2) determine an overall EJ score for census tracts in the state; and (3) view additional context layers relevant to an area.



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What is an "EJ Score"?

The term "EJ Score" means an overall evaluation of an area's environment and environmental justice indicators, as defined by MDE in regulation, including: (1) pollution burden exposure; (2) pollution burden environmental effects; (3) sensitive populations; and (4) socioeconomic factors.

The Maryland EJ Screening Tool uses three demographic indicators – minority population above 50%, poverty rate above 25% and percent of the population having limited English proficiency above 15% - to calculate a score that can be used as an indicator of susceptibility to environmental exposure. It is that score, linked to the census tract where the project is to be located, that needs to be reported to MDE as part of your permit application.

What does the application require?

The link for the Maryland EJ Tool is located on the Department's website, www.mde.maryland.gov, under Quick Links as EJ Screening Tool. At the top right, please click the first button for the MDE Screening Report. Input the address of the proposed installation in the address bar. Click on the Report button. Once the report has been generated select the print icon.

The applicant needs to include the MDE Screening Report with the EJ Score from the Maryland EJ Tool as part of the permit application upon submission. An application will not be considered complete without the report.

The applicant is encouraged to provide the Department with a discussion about the environmental exposures in the community. This will provide pertinent information about how the applicant should proceed with engaging with the community. Residents of a community with a high indicator score and a high degree of environmental exposure should be afforded broader opportunities to participate in the permit process and understand the impacts a project seeking permit approval may have on them.

Questions

For air quality permits, please call 410-537-3230.

For water permits, please call 410-537-4145.

For land permits pertaining to Solid Waste, please call 410-537-3098.

For land permits pertaining to Oil Control, please call 410-537-3483.

For land permits pertaining to Animal Feeding Operations, please call 410-537-4423.

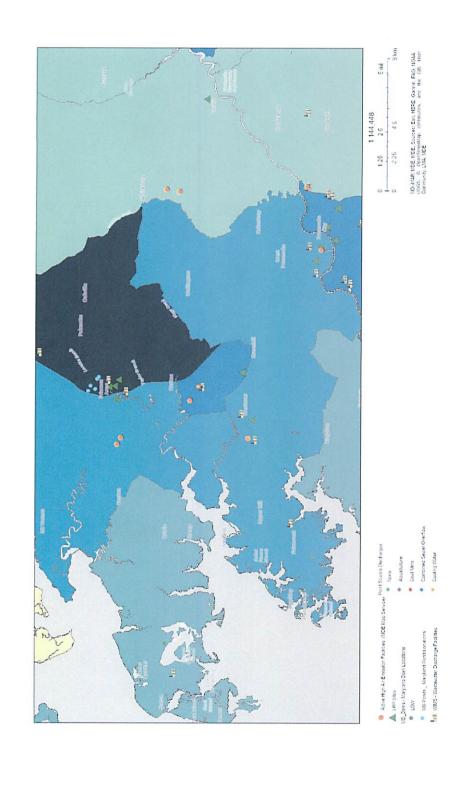
For land permits pertaining to Biosolids, please call 410-537-3403.



MDE EJ Screening Report - Mountaire Westover Feed Mill

Area of Interest (AOI) Information

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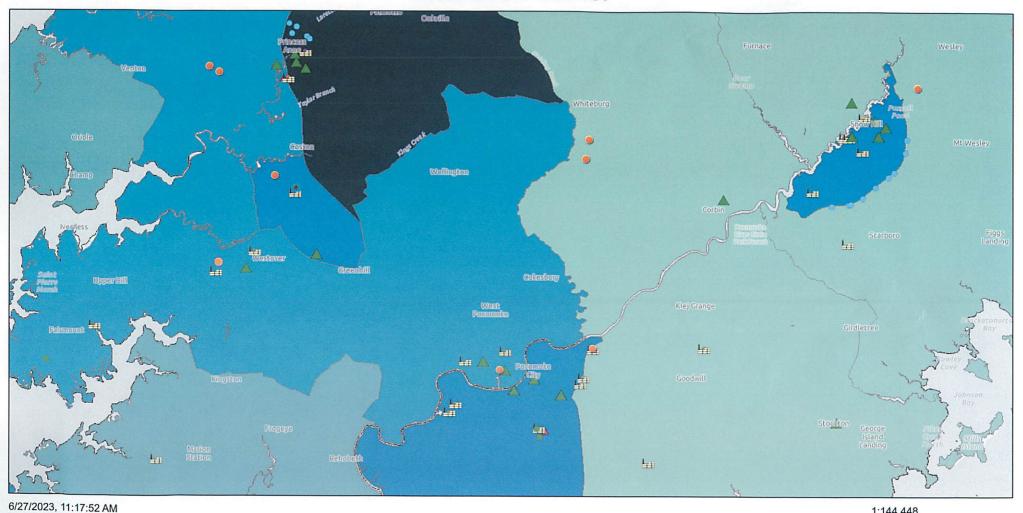
Summary

Name	Count	Area(ft²)	Length(ft)
EJ Scores as a Percent Distribution (Quantile Representation)	1	N/A	N/A
Active High Air Emission Facilities	0	N/A	N/A
LRP Facilities	0	N/A	N/A
Maryland Dam Locations	0	N/A	N/A
Maryland Pond Locations	0	N/A	N/A
Wastewater Discharge Facilities	0	N/A	N/A
Historic Mine Locations	0	N/A	N/A
Significant Wastewater Treatment Plants	0	N/A	N/A
Point Source Discharges	0	N/A	N/A
All Permitted Solid Waste Acceptance Facilities	0	N/A	N/A
Municipal Solid Waste Acceptance Facilities	0	N/A	N/A

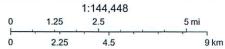
EJ Scores as a Percent Distribution (Quantile Representation)

#	Geographic Area Name	Percent Minority	Percent Poverty	Percent_Limited_ English_Proficien cy	SocioScore Percent Tract Only	Socio Percentile (All MD)	Socio Percentile (All MD) %	Area(ft²)
1	Census Tract 9804, Somerset County, Maryland	72.10	19.74	0.00	30.61	67.17	67.170%	N/A

MDE Area of Interest







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April 17, 2023

Maryland Department of the Environment Air and Radiation Management Administration Attn: Mr. Matthew Haffner 1800 Washington Boulevard Baltimore, Maryland 21230

Reference: Mountaire Westover Feed Mill, Premises No. 039-0072

Dear Mr. Haffner,

Please find enclosed an application for the Permit to Construct for our Westover Feed Mill as discussed in the past on the phone. The permit to construct application includes the following equipment:

- 1. (1) One Mixer Discharge Surge Hopper, totally enclosed with a capacity of 3 tons.
- 2. (1) One Mixer Surge Discharge Conveyor, totally enclosed with a capacity of 108 tons per hour.
- 3. (1) One Mash Transfer Leg #1, totally enclosed with a capacity of 108 tons per hour.
- 4. (1) One Mash Leg Bucket Elevator, totally enclosed with a capacity of 110 tons per hour.
- 5. (1) One Mash Transfer leg #2, totally enclosed with a capacity of 108 tons per hour.

Please also note the following equipment that was not constructed in the previous Permit to Construct due to time frame.:

1. Finish Feed Swing Turnhead, totally enclosed, 12-inch diameter x 10 position.

To complete the upgrade, we are asking for a facility throughput increase on the feed mill manufacturing side of the complex, this increase will include a modification to the two hammer mills. This modification will give them a capacity of 85 tons per hour.

I am also including the emission calculations with and without control technologies. The hammer mills will still be controlled by the current baghouse.

If there are any questions or concerns regarding the request, please let me know.

Regards,

Kyle Mcconnel

Kyle McConnell Mountaire Farms Environmental Manager – Eastern Shore kmcconnell@mountaire.com (302) 841-4629

Actual emissions: Grain elevators and feed mills

Pollutant	Grain Elevator	Feed Mill	Natural Gas	Propane	Fugitive	Actual Emissions
	(ton/yr)	(ton/yr)	(ton/yr)	(ton/yr)	(ton/yr)	(ton/yr)
Criteria Air Pollut	tants				-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
PM	2.33	75.52	0.24			78.09
PM10	2.73	33.64	0.24			36.61
PM2.5	0.46	9.73	0.24			10.43
SOx			0.02			0.02
NOx			3.19			3.19
voc			0.18			0.18
со			2.68			2.68
Lead			0.00			0.00
Greenhouse Gas	Emissions					
CO ₂			3824.80			3824.80
CH ₄			0.07			0.0721
N₂O		0.01				
GHG Total CO₂e			3828.75			3828.75
lazardous Air Po	ollutants					
Benzene			0.00			0.0001
Formaldehyde			0.00			0.0024
Hexane			0.06			0.0574
Naphthalene			0.00			0.0000
Toluene			0.00			0.0001
Arsenic			0.00			0.0000
Beryllium			0.00			0.0000
Cadmium			0.00			0.0000

Chromium	0.00	0.0000
Cobalt	0.00	0.0000
Manganese	0.00	0.0000
Mercury	0.00	0.0000
Nickel	0.00	0.0001
Selenium	0.00	0.0000
HAP Indiv. Max	Hexane	0.0574
HAP total		0.0601

Feed mill actual emissions							Source u	nless otherw		EPA AP-42 napter 9.9.1
a Activity		b Maxim um Capacit y (tons/ye ar)	c PM Control Efficien cy¹ (% control)	d PM Emissi on Factor (lb/ton)	e PM Emissio ns (tons/yea r) b*d*(1- c)/2000	f PM ₁₀ Control Efficien cy ¹ (% control)	g PM ₁₀ Emissi on Factor (lb/ton)	h PM ₁₀ Emissio ns (ton/year) b*g*(1- f)/2000	h PM _{2.5} Emissi on Factor (lb/ton)	i PM _{2.5} Emissio ns (ton/year) b*h*(1- f)/2000
Grain Receiving		744600. 0	99%	0.18	0.67	99%	0.059	0.22	0.01	0.04
Feed Loadout		744600. 0	0%	0.0033	1.23	0%	0.0008	0.30	0.0008	0.30
Feed Ingredient Rec.		171437. 8	99%	0.025	0.02	99%	0.0063	0.01	0.0011	0.00
Milling Hammer mill ⁵ Flaker ⁶ Crocker ⁶	mill ⁵	744600. 0	99%	0.768	2.86	99%	0.384	1.43	0.384	1.43
	Flaker ⁶ Cracker ⁶	0.0	0% 0%	0.75 0.12	0.00	0%	0.375	0.00	0.375	0.00
Pellet Cooler ⁷		744600. 0	99%	1.65	6.14	99%	0.06	3.07	0.06	3.07
Headhouse & Grain Handling ⁸		331470 9.3	60%	0.061	40.44	60%	0.034	22.54	0.0058	3.85
Ag Bag Operation		6500.0	60%	0.18	0.23	60%	0.059	0.08	0.01	0.01
Grain Cleaning (internal vibrating9)		0.0	0%	0.375	0.00	0%	0.095	0.00	0.016	0.00
Storage Bin (vent)		182550 9.3	60%	0.025	9.13	60%	0.0063	2.30	0.0011	0.40
	Rack	0.0	0%	3	0.00	0%	0.75	0.00	0.13	0.00
Grain Drying	Rack (<50mes h)	0.0	0%	0.47	0.00	0%	0.12	0.00	0.02	0.00
	Column	336309. 3	60%	0.22	14.80	60%	0.055	3.70	0.0094	0.63
Total Emissions (excluding combustion from dryers, if applicable)					75.52			33.64		9.73

Facility inform Facility name: Max. capacity:	744,600	tons/year	grain y	in processing facilities, ou could possibly proce is available.		
Do	you have a traditional facility with a he	adhouse?	Yes			
If yes, what type(s)?		Yes Yes No	> >	Total capacity (ton per hour)	Total milling capacity 85 744,600	ton per hour ton per year
If yes,	Do you do pellet cooling? what is your pellet cooling capacity?	Yes 75	(ton per hour)	If yes, what is the total	an the grain at some	ton per
If yes, what type(s)?		No Yes	>	Total capacity (ton per hour)	Drying Capacity 5,551	ton per hour
	Rack dryer with self cleaning screen (<50 mesh) Column dryer	No Yes	>	5551.4	48,630,264	ton per year



(2)

AIR QUALITY PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT APPLICATION CHECKLIST

	OWNER OF EQUIPMENT/PROCESS					
COMPANY NAME:	Mountaire Farms Inc.					
COMPANY ADDRESS: P.O. Box 1320, Millsboro, Delaware 19966						
	LOCATION OF EQUIPMENT/PROCESS					
PREMISES NAME:	Westover Feed Mill					
PREMISES ADDRESS:	30607 Revells Neck Road, Westover, Maryland 21871					
CONTACT	INFORMATION FOR THIS PERMIT APPLICATION					
CONTACT NAME:	Kyle McConnell					
JOB TITLE:	Environmental Manager					
PHONE NUMBER:	(302) 841-4629					
EMAIL ADDRESS:	kmcconnell@mountaire.com					
DESCRIPTION OF EQUIPMENT OR PROCESS						
Process Equipment for manufacturing poultry feed.						

Application is hereby made to the Department of the Environment for a Permit to Construct for the following equipment or process as required by the State of Maryland Air Quality Regulation, COMAR 26.11.02.09.

Check each item that you have submitted as part of your application package.

\boxtimes	Application package cover letter describing the proposed project					
\boxtimes	Complete application forms (Note the number of forms included or NA if not applicable.)					
	No. Form 5 No. Form 41 No. Form 41 No. Form 42 No. Form 44 No. Form 44					
	Vendor/manufacturer specifications/guarantees					
\boxtimes	Evidence of Workman's Compensation Insurance					
\boxtimes	Process flow diagrams with emission points					
	Site plan including the location of the proposed source and property boundary					
\boxtimes	Material balance data and all emissions calculations					
	Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) or equivalent information for materials processed and manufactured.					
	Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) waiver documentation from the Public Service Commission (1)					
	Documentation that the proposed installation complies with local zoning and land use requirements ⁽²⁾					
	(1) Required for emergency and non-emergency generators installed on or after October 1, 2001 and rated at 2001 kW or more.					

Required for applications subject to Expanded Public Participation Requirements.

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Air and Radiation Management Administration - Air Quality Permits Program

APPLICATION FOR	PROCESSING/MANUFA	CTURING EQUIPMENT
Permit to Construct	Registration Update	Initial Registration □

1A. Owner of Equipment/O Mountaire Farms Inc.	Company Name			TE IN THIS BLOCK RATION NUMBER
Mailing Address			County No.	Premises No.
P.O. Box 1320 Street Address				
Millsboro	Delaware	19966	1-2	3-6
City	State	Zip	Registration Cla	ss Equipment No.
Telephone Number				
(302) 841-4629			7 Data Year	8-11
Signature			12-13	Application Date
<u> </u>	z/M		12 10	Application Bate
Phillip Plylar - Preside	ent			
Print Name and Title			Date	
1B. Equipment Location at 30607 Revells Neck I		mber (if different fro	om above)	
Street Number and Street Na	113.50.55.55			
Westover	Maryland	2	1871 (302	934-3070
City/Town	State			ephone Number
Westover Feed Mill				* 0 0 5 0000
Premises Name (if different f	rom above)			
3. Status (A= New, B= Mod	lification to Evicti	na Fauinment C- F	vietina Envisore	4\
	onstruction	New Construction		ting Initial
	(MM/YY)	Completed (MM/YY		on (MM/YY)
A				
15	16-19	20-23		20-23
4. Describe this Equipmen Mixer Surge Discharger Conve Mash Transfer Leg #2@ 108TF	yor@108TPH, Mash	Transfer Leg#1@ 108	(include Maximum F TPH, Mash Leg Buck	lourly Input Rate, etc.) et Elevator@ 110TPH
5. Workmen's Compensati	0.00	ed swing turmead.		
The state of the s		der/Policy Number		Expiration Date
Company NOTE: Before a Permit to Cons worker's compens	struct may be issued by sation coverage as requ	y the Department, the app uired under Section 1-202	licant must provide the of the Worker's Compe	Department with proof of nsation Act.
6A. Number of Pieces of Id	entical Equipmen	nt Units to be Regist	ered/Permitted at	this Time <u>0</u>
6B. Number of Stack/Emiss	sion Points Assoc	ciated with this Equi	ipment <u>All</u> equipm	ent totally enclosed.

7. Person Installing this Equipment (if different from Number 1 on Page 1) Name
Company
Mailing Address/Street
City/Town State Telephone ()
8. Major Activity, Product or Service of Company at this Location
Manufacturer of poultry feed.
9. Control Devices Associated with this Equipment
None
X 24-0
Simple/Multiple Spray/Adsorb Venturi Carbon Electrostatic Baghouse Thermal/Catalytic Dry
Cyclone Tower Scrubber Adsorber Precipitator Afterburner Scrubber
24-1 24-2 24-3 24-4 24-5 24-6 24-7 24-8
Other
Describe Equipment is totally enclosed.
24-9
10. Annual Fuel Consumption for this Equipment
OIL-1000 GALLONS SULFUR % GRADE NATURAL GAS-1000 FT ³ LP GAS-100 GALLONS GRADE
26-31 32-33 34 35-41 42-45
COAL-TONS SULFUR % ASH% WOOD-TONS MOISTURE %
46-52 53-55 56-58 59-63 64-65
OTHER FUELS ANNUAL AMOUNT CONSUMED OTHER FUEL ANNUAL AMOUNT CONSUMED
(Specify Type) 66-1 (Specify Units of Measure) (Specify Type) 66-2 (Specify Units of Measure) 1= Coke 2= COG 3=BFG 4=Other
11. Operating Schedule (for this Equipment)
Continuous Operation Batch Process Hours per Batch Batch per Week Hours per Day Days Per Week Days per Year
67-1 67-2 68-69 70-71 72 73-75
Seasonal Variation in Operation:
No Variation Winter Percent Spring Percent Summer Percent Fall Percent (Total Seasons= 100%)

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12. Equivalent Stack Innformation- is Exhaust through Doors, Windows, etc. Only? (Y/N)					
				85	
If not, then Height Avove Grou	nd (FT) Inside Diameter at To	p Exit Tempe	rature (°F)	Exit Velocity (FT/SEC)
86-88	89-91	92-	95	96-98	
	NOTE:				
Attach a block diagram of pr and all existing	ocess/process line, indica equipment, including con				form
13. Input Materials (for this equals any of this data to be co		(Y or N)			
·				T RATE	1
1. NAME	CAS NO. (IF APPLICABLE)	PER HOUR	UNITS	PER YEAR	UNITS
2.					
3.					
4.					
5. 6.					
7.					
8.					
9.					
TOTAL	-				
14. Output Materials (for this e	quipment)				
Process/Product Stream	,				
NAME	CAS NO. (IF APPLICABLE)	PER HOUR	OUTF UNITS	PUT RATE PER YEAR	LIMITO
1.	CAS NO. (II AFFLICABLE)	FER HOOK	ORITS	PER TEAR	UNITS
2.					
3.					
4.					
5. 6.					
7.					
8.					
9.					
TOTAL					
15. Waste Streams - Solid and I	Liquid		OUTF	PUT RATE	
NAME	CAS NO. (IF APPLICABLE)	PER HOUR	UNITS	PER YEAR	UNITS
1.					
3.					<u> </u>
4.					
5.					
6.					
7. 8.					
9.					
TOTAL	L		l.,l		l

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16. Total Stack Emissions (for this equipment only) in Pounds Per Operating Day							
Particulate Matter	Oxides of Sulfur	Oxides of Nitrogen					
99-104	105-110	111-116					
Carbon Monoxide	Volatile Organic Compounds	PM-10					
177-122	123-128	129-134					
17. Total Fugitive Emissions (for th	17. Total Fugitive Emissions (for this equipment only) in Pounds Per Operating Day						
Particulate Matter	Oxides of Sulfur	Oxides of Nitrogen					
135-139	140-144	145-149					
Carbon Monoxide	Volatile Organic Compounds	PM-10					
150-154	155-159	160-164					
Method Used to Determine Emission	ons (1= Estimate 2= Er	mission Factor 3= Stack Test 4= Othe	er)				
TSP SOX	NOX CO	VOC PM10					
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CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

2/27/2023

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must have ADDITIONAL INSURED provisions or be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

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PRO	DDUCER Stephens Insurance, LLC			CONTA NAME:		Lori Prescott			
111 Center Street, Suite 100		PHONE (A/C, No	lo.Ext):	501-377-8451	1 FAX (A/C, No):				
Little Rock, AR 72201			E-MAIL ADDRE	:SS:	lori.prescott@	gstephens.com			
						SURER(S) AFFO	RDING COVERAGE		NAIC#
ww	w.stephensinsurance.com			INSURI	ERA: Hartford				19682
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SOMERSET COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF TECHNICAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Mary R Phillips, Zoning Administrator / Assistant Director

Mountaire Farms
Kyle McConnell
Environmental Manager - Eastern Shore
29106 John J. Williams Highway
P.O. Box 1320
Millsboro, Delaware 19966

February 13, 2023

RE: Facility located at 30606 Revells Neck Rd Westover MD 21871

Dear Mr. McConnell,

Per your request a review of the Zoning Ordinance in regards to the above referenced facility shows that The existing facility is a permitted use and meets the criteria of Section 5.7(e)1 and Section 6.2 of Ordinance # 1144 (Somerset County Zoning Ordinance)

Please feel free to contact us if you are in need additional information

Regards.

Zoning Administrator / Acting Director

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT

AIR AND RADIATION ADMINISTRATION APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT

SUPPLEMENT 1 TO DOCKET #12-23

COMPANY: Mountaire Farms, Inc. – Westover Feed Mill

LOCATION: 30607 Revels Neck Road, Westover, MD 21871

APPLICATION: Modification of hammermills to increase throughput and the installation of

grain handling equipment

<u>ITEM</u> <u>DESCRIPTION</u>

1 Notice of Scheduled Informational Meeting

DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AIR AND RADIATION ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND INFORMATIONAL MEETING

The Maryland Department of the Environment, Air and Radiation Administration (ARA) received a permit-to-construct application from Mountaire Farms, Inc. – Westover Feed Mill on June 29, 2023 for the modification of hammermills to increase throughput and the installation of grain handling equipment. The proposed installation will be located at 30607 Revels Neck Road, Westover, MD 21871.

In accordance with HB 1200/Ch. 588 of 2022, the applicant provided an environmental justice (EJ) Score for the census tract in which the project is located using the Maryland EJ mapping tool. The EJ Score, expressed as a statewide percentile, was shown to be 67.17 which the Department has verified. This score considers three demographic indicators – minority population above 50%, poverty rate above 25% and limited English proficiency above 15%.

Copies of the application, the EJ mapping tool screening report (which includes the score), and other supporting documents are available for public inspection on the Department's website at https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/Permits/AirManagementPermits/Pages/index.aspx (click on Docket Number 12-23). Any applicant-provided information regarding a description of the environmental and socioeconomic indicators contributing to that EJ score can also be found at the listed website. Such information has not yet been reviewed by the Department. A review of the submitted information will be conducted when the Department undertakes its technical review of all documents included in the application.

Pursuant to the Environment Article, Section 1-603, Annotated Code of Maryland, an Informational Meeting has been scheduled so that citizens can discuss the application and the permit review process with the applicant and the Department.

A community informational meeting has been scheduled so that citizens can discuss the application and the permit with the applicant and the Department. The community informational meeting will be held virtually on November 8, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

To attend the meeting, please register using the following link no later than November 7, 2023:

https://forms.gle/et3dXd6GPCostmXy7

Registered attendees will receive instructions on how to join the virtual meeting using a computer and internet connection or telephone.

The Department will provide an interpreter for deaf and hearing impaired persons provided that a request is made for such service at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting.

Further information may be obtained by calling Ms. Shannon Heafey at 410-537-4433.

Christopher R. Hoagland, Director Air and Radiation Administration

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT

AIR AND RADIATION ADMINISTRATION APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT

SUPPLEMENT 2 TO DOCKET #12-23

COMPANY: Mountaire	Farms.	. Inc.	Westover	Feed	Mill
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LOCATION: 30607 Revells Neck Road, Westover, MD 21871

APPLICATION: Modification of hammermills to increase throughput and the installation of

grain handling equipment

<u>ITEM</u>	DESCRIPTION
1	Notice of Tentative Determination, Opportunity to Request a Public Hearing, and Opportunity to Submit Written Comments
2	Fact Sheet and Tentative Determination
3	Draft Permit to Construct and Conditions
4	Supplemental Information
5	Privilege Log – Not Applicable

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AIR AND RADIATION ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE OF TENTATIVE DETERMINATION, OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING, AND OPPORTUNITY TO SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS

FIRST NOTICE

The Department of the Environment, Air and Radiation Administration (ARA) has completed its review of an application for a Permit to Construct submitted by Mountaire Farms, Inc. – Westover Feed Mill on June 29, 2023 for the modification of hammermills to increase throughput and the installation of grain handling equipment. The proposed installation will be located at 30607 Revells Neck Road, Westover, MD 21871.

Pursuant to Section 1-604, of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, the Department has made a tentative determination that the Permit to Construct can be issued and is now ready to receive public comment on the application.

Copies of the Department's tentative determination, the application, the draft permit to construct with conditions, and other supporting documents are available for public inspection on the Department's website. Look for Docket #04-22 at the following link:

https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/Permits/AirManagementPermits/Pages/index.aspx

In accordance with HB 1200/Ch. 588 of 2022, the applicant provided an environmental justice (EJ) Score for the census tract in which the project is located using the Maryland EJ mapping tool. The EJ Score, expressed as a statewide percentile, was shown to be 67.1, which the Department has verified. This score considers three demographic indicators – minority population above 50%, poverty rate above 25%, and limited English proficiency above 15%. The Department's review of the environmental and socioeconomic indicators contributing to that EJ score is included in the tentative determination that is available for public inspection.

Interested persons may request a public hearing and/or submit written comments on the tentative determination. Requests for a public hearing must be submitted in writing and must be received by the Department no later than 20 days from the date of this notice. A requested public hearing will be held virtually using teleconference or internet-based conferencing technology unless a specific request for an in-person public hearing is received. Written comments must be received by the Department no later than 30 days from the date of this notice.

Interested persons may request an extension to the public comment period. The extension request must be submitted in writing and must be received by the Department no later than 30 days from the date of this notice or within 5 days after the hearing (if a hearing is requested), whichever is later. The public comment period may only be extended one time for a 60-day period.

All requests for a public hearing, requests for an extension to the public comment period, and all written comments should be directed to the attention of Ms. Shannon Heafey, Air Quality Permits Program by email to shannon.heafey@maryland.gov or by mail to the Air and Radiation Administration, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21230.

Further information may be obtained by calling Ms. Shannon Heafey at 410-537-4433.

Christopher R. Hoagland, Director Air and Radiation Administration

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AIR AND RADIATION ADMINISTRATION

FACT SHEET AND TENTATIVE DETERMINATION MOUNTAIRE FARMS, INC. – WESTOVER FEED MILL

PROPOSED MODIFICATION OF HAMMERMILLS TO INCREASE THROUGHPUT AND INSTALLATION OF GRAIN HANDLING EQUIPMENT AT AN EXISTING FEED MILL

I. INTRODUCTION

The Maryland Department of the Environment (the "Department") received an application from Mountaire Farms Inc. – Westover Feed Mill on June 29, 2023 for a Permit to Construct for the modification of hammermills to increase throughput and the installation of grain handling equipment. The proposed installations will be located at 30607 Revells Neck Road, Westover, MD 21871.

A notice was placed in The Eastern Shore News on September 13, 2023 and September 20, 2023 announcing an opportunity to request an informational meeting to discuss the application for a Permit to Construct. A virtual informational meeting was requested.

A notice was placed in The Salisbury Daily Times on October 27, 2023 and November 2, 2023 announcing a scheduled virtual informational meeting to discuss the permit to construct application. The virtual informational meeting was held on November 8, 2023.

As required by law, all public notices were also provided to elected officials in all State, county, and municipality legislative districts located within a one mile radius of the facility's property boundary.

The Department has reviewed the application and has made a tentative determination that the proposed installation is expected to comply with all applicable air quality regulations. A notice will be published to provide the public with opportunities to request a public hearing and to comment on the application, the Department's tentative determination, the draft permit conditions, and other supporting documents. The Department will not schedule a public hearing unless a legitimate request is received.

If the Department does not receive any comments that are adverse to the tentative determination, the tentative determination will automatically become a final determination. If adverse comments are received, the Department will review the comments, and will then make a final determination with regard to issuance or denial of the permit. A notice of final determination will be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the affected area. The final determination may be subject to judicial review pursuant to Section 1-601 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland.

II. CURRENT STATUS AND PROPOSED INSTALLATION

A. Current Status

Mountaire owns a feed mill in Westover, Somerset County. The facility contains a feed mill pelletizer, hammermills, grain handling equipment, and a boiler.

The facility operates under a State Permit to Operate that was issued June 8, 2023 and expires May 31, 2028.

B. Proposed Installation

The facility is proposing to install new equipment as well as replace equipment destroyed in the explosion. The following equipment will be installed:

- One (1) fully enclosed mixer discharge surge hopper with a capacity of 3 tons;
- One (1) fully enclosed mixer surge discharge conveyor with a capacity of 108 tons per hour;
- One (1) fully enclosed mash transfer leg #1 with a capacity of 108 tons per hour;
- One (1) fully enclosed mash transfer leg #2 with a capacity of 108 tons per hour;
- One (1) fully enclosed mash leg bucket elevator with a capacity of 110 tons per hour; and
- One (1) fully enclosed finish feed swing turnhead.

The two (2) Champion hammermills shall be modified such that their maximum throughput capacity does not exceed 85 tons per hour.

III. APPLICABLE REGULATIONS

The proposed installations are subject to all applicable Federal and State air quality control regulations, including, but not limited to the following:

- (a) 40 CFR 60, Subpart DD, which provides opacity limitations for Grain Elevators.
- (b) 40 CFR 63, Subpart DDDDDDD, which provides management practices for Prepared Feeds Manufacturing.
- (c) COMAR 26.11.01.07C, which requires that the Permittee report to the Department occurrences of excess emissions.
- (d) COMAR 26.11.02.19C & D, which require that the Permittee submit to the Department annual certifications of emissions, and that the Permittee maintain sufficient records to support the emissions information presented in the submittals.
- (e) COMAR 26.11.06.02C(1), which limits visible emissions other than uncombined water to not more than 20 percent opacity.

- (f) COMAR 26.11.06.03B(1), which limits the concentration of particulate matter in any exhaust gases to not more than 0.05 grains per standard cubic foot of dry exhaust gas.
- (g) COMAR 26.11.06.03C and D, which requires that the Permittee take reasonable precautions to prevent particulate matter from unconfined sources and materials handling and construction operations from becoming airborne.
- (h) COMAR 26.11.06.08 and 26.11.06.09, which generally prohibit the discharge of emissions beyond the property line in such a manner that a nuisance or air pollution is created.
- (i) COMAR 26.11.15.05, which requires that the Permittee implement "Best Available Control Technology for Toxics" (T BACT) to control emissions of toxic air pollutants.
- (j) COMAR 26.11.15.06, which prohibits the discharge of toxic air pollutants to the extent that such emissions will unreasonably endanger human health.
- (k) COMAR 26.11.18.03A(1) which prohibits the operation of any grain-drying installation unless particulate matter emissions are reduced through the use of a 24 mesh screen or other equivalent device.
- (I) COMAR 26.11.18.03A(2) which prohibits the operation of any grain-handling installation without taking reasonable precautions to prevent particulate matter from becoming airborne.

IV. GENERAL AIR QUALITY

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has established primary and secondary National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for six (6) criteria pollutants, i.e., sulfur dioxide, particulate matter, carbon monoxide, nitrogen dioxide, ozone, and lead. The primary standards were established to protect public health, and the secondary standards were developed to protect against non-health effects such as damage to property and vegetation.

The Department utilizes a statewide air monitoring network, operated in accordance with EPA guidelines, to measure the concentrations of criteria pollutants in Maryland's ambient air. The measurements are used to project statewide ambient air quality, and currently indicate that Somerset County complies with the NAAQS for sulfur dioxide, particulate matter, carbon monoxide, nitrogen dioxide, ozone, and lead.

With regard to toxic air pollutants (TAPs), screening levels (i.e., acceptable ambient concentrations for toxic air pollutants) are generally established at 1/100 of allowed worker

exposure levels (TLVs)¹. The Department has also developed additional screening levels for carcinogenic compounds. The additional screening levels are established such that continuous exposure to the subject TAP at the screening level for a period of 70 years is expected to cause an increase in lifetime cancer risk of no more than 1 in 100,000.

V. ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ANALYSIS

The concept behind the term environmental justice (EJ) is that regardless of race, color, national origin, or income, all Maryland residents and communities should have an equal opportunity to enjoy an enhanced quality of life. How to assess whether equal protection is being applied is the challenge.

Communities surrounded by a disproportionate number of polluting facilities puts residents at a higher risk for health problems from environmental exposures. It is important that residents who may be adversely affected by a proposed source be aware of the current environmental issues in their community in order to have meaningful involvement in the permitting process. Resources may be available from government and private entities to ensure that community health is not negatively impacted by a new source located in the community.

Extensive research has documented that health disparities exist between demographic groups in the United States, such as differences in mortality and morbidity associated with factors that include race/ethnicity, income, and educational attainment.

The Maryland General Assembly passed HB 1200, effective October 1, 2022, that adds to MDE's work incorporating diversity, equity and inclusion into our mission to help overburdened and underserved communities with environmental issues. In accordance with HB 1200/Ch, 588 of 2022, the applicant provided an environmental justice (EJ) Score for the census tract in which the proposed source is located using the Maryland EJ mapping tool. The EJ Score, expressed as a statewide percentile, was shown to be 67.1 which the Department has verified. This score considered three demographic indicators – minority population above 50%, poverty rate above 25% and limited English proficiency above 15%.

To account for other sources of pollution surrounding the proposed source, the Department conducted an additional EJ Score analysis to evaluate the impact of other sources located within 1 mile of the proposed source. The highest EJ Score in a census tract located within 1 mile of the proposed source, expressed as a statewide percentile, was shown to be 91.7.

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¹ TLVs are threshold limit values (exposure limits) established for toxic materials by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH). Some TLVs are established for short-term exposure (TLV – STEL), and some are established for longer-term exposure (TLV – TWA), where TWA is an acronym for time-weight average.

Given that the EJ score in the immediate area where the proposed source is located is 67.1 and is much lower than 97.1 in the adjacent census tract, and there was general public support for the project at the informational meeting held on November 8, 2023, the Department has determined that the proposed source will not significantly affect the area to cause a greater disproportionate impact or higher risk of health problems from environmental exposures than in other areas in Maryland. The Department has reviewed the air quality impacts from this proposed installation and has determined that the proposed installation will meet all applicable air quality standards.

VI. COMPLIANCE DEMONSTRATION AND ANALYSIS

The proposed installation must comply with all State imposed emissions limitations and screening levels, as well as the NAAQS. The Department has conducted an engineering and air quality review of the application. The emissions were projected based on EPA emission factors. The conservative U.S. EPA's SCREEN3 model was used to project the maximum ground level concentrations from the proposed facility, which were then compared to the screening levels and the NAAQS.

- A. Estimated Emissions Particulate matter is the only criteria air pollutant emitted from the modification of the hammermills and installation of the grain handling equipment. The maximum emissions of particulate matter from the proposed installation are listed in Table I.
- B. Compliance with National Ambient Air Quality Standards The maximum ground level concentration for particulate matter, based on the emissions from the proposed installation are listed in column 2 of Table II. The combined impact of the projected contribution from the proposed installation and the ambient background concentration for particulate matter shown in column 3 of Table II is less than the NAAQS for each pollutant shown in column 4.
- C. Compliance with Air Toxics Regulations There are no toxic air pollutants of concern that will be emitted with the modification of the hammermills and installation of the grain handling equipment.

VII. TENTATIVE DETERMINATION

Based on the above information, the Department has concluded that the proposed installations will comply with all applicable Federal and State air quality control requirements. In accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, Department has made a tentative determination to issue the Permit to Construct.

Enclosed with the tentative determination is a copy of the draft Permit to Construct.

TABLE I PROJECTED MAXIMUM EMISSIONS FROM THE PROPOSED INSTALLATION

	PROJECTED MAXIMU	PROJECTED MAXIMUM EMISSIONS FROM		
	PROPOSED IN	ISTALLATION		
POLLUTANT	(lbs/day)	(tons/year)		
Particulate Matter (PM ₁₀)	93.8	17.1		

TABLE II PROJECTED IMPACT OF EMISSIONS OF CRITERIA POLLUTANTS FROM THE PROPOSED INSTALLATION ON AMBIENT AIR QUALITY

POLLUTANTS	MAXIMUM OFF-SITE GROUND LEVEL CONCENTRATIONS CAUSED BY EMISSIONS FROM PROPOSED PROCESS (µg/m³)	BACKGROUND AMBIENT AIR CONCENTRATIONS (µg/m³)*	NATIONAL AMBIENT AIR QUALITY STANDARDS (NAAQS) (µg/m³)
Particulate Matter (PM ₁₀)	24-hr max → 53	24-hr max.→ 23	24-hr max.→ 150

^{*}Background concentrations were obtained from Maryland air monitoring stations as follows:

 $PM_{10} \rightarrow Hillen$ Road Monitoring Station in Baltimore City

DRAFT PERMIT

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Air and Radiation Administration

1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite 720 Baltimore, MD 21230

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☐ Construction Permit	Operating Permit
PERMIT NO.: As Listed on Page 2	DATE ISSUED: [TBD]
PERMIT FEE: \$1500.00	EXPIRATION DATE: To Be Paid in Accordance With COMAR 26.11.02.04B
LEGAL OWNER & ADDRESS Mountaire Farms, Inc. P.O. Box 1320 Millsboro, DE 19966 Attention: Mr. Kyle McConnell, Environmental Manager	SITE Mountaire Farms Inc. – Westover Feed Mill 30607 Revells Neck Rd Westover, MD 21871 AI # 22182
	SOURCE DESCRIPTION
This permit authorizes the modification of two and the installation of grain handling equipme	o (2) hammermills to a throughput of 85 tons per hour ent.
This Permit serves as a Temporary Permit to C modified hammermills.	Operate for a period of 180 days after the startup of the
This permit supersedes all previous permits to	o construct issued to ARA Premises No. 039-0072.
This source is subject to the cor	nditions described on the attached pages.
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Program Manager	Director, Air and Radiation Administration

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This permit covers the following registered installations:

ARA Registration	Description	Date of Installation
	Cleaver Brooks natural gas-fired boiler rated at 13.4	2018
039-0072-5-0017	MMBTU/hr with propane as a secondary fuel	Modified in 2022
039-0072-8-0028	Two (2) Champion Hammermills rated at 85 tph controlled	1999
039-0072-0-0020	by a baghouse (BH-1)	Modified in 2024
	Truck (Grain) Receiving Pit controlled by a baghouse (BH-	1965
039-0072-8-0030	4)	Modified in 2004
	• '/	and 2022
039-0072-8-0031	Corn Rail Unloading Pit	1965
		Modified in 2004
020 0072 0 0022	Food Ingradient Truck Dit controlled by a hagheure (DUF)	1965
039-0072-8-0032	Feed Ingredient Truck Pit controlled by a baghouse (BH-5)	Modified in 2004 and 2022
		1965
039-0072-8-0033	Rail Feed Ingredient Receiving Pit	Modified in 2004
	85 tph Feed Mill Pellet Line equipped with a HE multi-	
039-0072-8-0039	cyclone, includes one (1) finished feed system with	2017
	loadouts	Modified in 2024
039-0072-8-0042	One (1) Zimmerman Grain Dryer with a capacity of 10,000	2022
039-0072-0-0042	bushels/hr and natural gas burner rated at 108 MMBTU/hr	2022
	Material Storage: Two (2) storage silos, two (2) wet storage	2004
039-0072-9-0069	tanks, twenty-five (25) storage bags, and one (1) salt bin	Modified in 2022
	with a baghouse (BH-2)	
	Indoor scale systems:	2004
039-0072-8-0041	- Major Scale - Minor Scale	Modified in 2022
	- Micro Scale controlled by a baghouse (BH-3)	Modified III 2022
	Grain Handling Equipment:	
	- Three (3) gravity loadouts	
	- One (1) mechanical grain loadout controlled by a	
	dust suppression hopper	2004
039-0072-8-0040	- Ten (10) material processing legs rated at 108 tph,	2004 Modified in 2022
000-0012-0-0040	108 tph, 390 tph, 20,000 bushels/hr, 15,000	and 2024
	bushels/hr, 6,978 bushels/hr, 5,000, bushels/hr,	GIIG ZUZ
	4558 bushels/hr, 4,645 bushels/hr, and 5,167	
	bushels/hr	
	 Mineral Oil Application System 	

Part A - General Provisions

- (1) The following Air and Radiation Administration (ARA) permit-to-construct applications [and supplemental information] are incorporated into this permit by reference:
 - (a) All valid Applications for Processing or Manufacturing Equipment (Form 5) received at Department prior to the issuance of this permit and pertaining to ARA Premises No. 039-0072 including the one (1) application for grain handling equipment and hammermill throughput increase received June 29, 2023.
 - (b) All valid Applications for Gas Cleaning or Emission Control Equipment (Form 6) received at Department prior to the issuance of this permit and pertaining to ARA Premises No. 039-0072.
 - (c) All valid Toxic Air Pollutant (TAP) Emissions Summary and Compliance Demonstration (Form 5T) received at Department prior to the issuance of this permit and pertaining to ARA Premises No. 039-0072.
 - (d) All valid Emission Point Data (Form 5EP) received at Department prior to the issuance of this permit and pertaining to ARA Premises No. 039-0072.
 - (e) Supplemental Information: Zoning Approval, Site Plan, Equipment Lists, and Emissions Calculation received June 29, 2023.

If there are any conflicts between representations in this permit and representations in the applications, the representations in the permit shall govern. Estimates of dimensions, volumes, emissions rates, operating rates, feed rates and hours of operation included in the applications do not constitute enforceable numeric limits beyond the extent necessary for compliance with applicable requirements.

- (2) Upon presentation of credentials, representatives of the Maryland Department of the Environment ("MDE" or the "Department") and the Somerset County Health Department shall at any reasonable time be granted, without delay and without prior notification, access to the Permittee's property and permitted to:
 - (a) inspect any construction authorized by this permit;

- (b) sample, as necessary to determine compliance with requirements of this permit, any materials stored or processed on-site, any waste materials, and any discharge into the environment;
- (c) inspect any monitoring equipment required by this permit;
- review and copy any records, including all documents required to be maintained by this permit, relevant to a determination of compliance with requirements of this permit; and
- (e) obtain any photographic documentation or evidence necessary to determine compliance with the requirements of this permit.
- (3) The Permittee shall notify the Department prior to increasing quantities and/or changing the types of any materials referenced in the application or limited by this permit. If the Department determines that such increases or changes constitute a modification, the Permittee shall obtain a permit-to-construct prior to implementing the modification.
- (4) Nothing in this permit authorizes the violation of any rule or regulation or the creation of a nuisance or air pollution.
- (5) If any provision of this permit is declared by proper authority to be invalid, the remaining provisions of the permit shall remain in effect.
- (6) This permit supersedes all valid permits to construct issued to ARA Premises No. 039-0072.
- (7) Subsequent to issuance of this permit, the Department may impose additional and modified requirements that are incorporated into a State permit-to-operate issued pursuant to COMAR 26.11.02.13.

Part B - Applicable Regulations

- (1) This source is subject to all applicable federal air pollution control requirements including, but not limited to, the following:
 - (a) All applicable terms, provisions, emissions standards, testing, monitoring, record keeping, and reporting requirements included in federal New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) promulgated under 40 CFR 60, Subparts A, Dc for Small Industrial-Commercial-Institutional Steam Generating Units, and DD for Grain Elevators

(b) All applicable terms, provisions, emissions standards, testing, monitoring, record keeping, and reporting requirements included in the National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) promulgated under 40 CFR 63, Subparts A and DDDDDDD for Prepared Feeds Manufacturing.

All notifications required under 40 CFR 60, Subparts A, Dc, and DD and 40 CFR 63, Subparts A and DDDDDDD shall be submitted to both of the following:

The Administrator
Compliance Program
Maryland Department of the Environment
Air and Radiation Administration
1800 Washington Boulevard, STE 715
Baltimore MD 21230

and

United States Environmental Protection Agency Region III, Enforcement & Compliance Assurance Division Air, RCRA and Toxics Branch (3ED21) Four Penn Center 1600 John F. Kennedy Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19103-2852

- (2) This source is subject to all applicable federally enforceable State air pollution control requirements including, but not limited to, the following regulations:
 - (a) COMAR 26.11.01.07C, which requires that the Permittee report to the Department occurrences of excess emissions.
 - (b) COMAR 26.11.02.04B, which states that a permit to construct or an approval expires if, as determined by the Department:
 - (i) Substantial construction or modification is not commenced within 18 months after the date of issuance of the permit or approval, unless the Department specifies a longer period in the permit or approval;
 - (ii) Construction or modification is substantially discontinued for a period of 18 months after the construction or modification has commenced; or

- (iii) The source for which the permit or approval was issued is not completed within a reasonable period after the date of issuance of the permit or approval.
- (c) COMAR 26.11.02.09A, which requires that the Permittee obtain a permit-to-construct if an installation is to be modified in a manner that would cause changes in the quantity, nature, or characteristics of emissions from the installation as referenced in this permit.
- (d) COMAR 26.11.06.02C(1), which limits visible emissions other than uncombined water to not more than 20 percent opacity.
- (e) COMAR 26.11.06.03B(1), which limits the concentration of particulate matter in any exhaust gases to not more than 0.05 grains per standard cubic foot of dry exhaust gas.
- (f) COMAR 26.11.06.03C and D, which requires that the Permittee take reasonable precautions to prevent particulate matter from unconfined sources and materials handling and construction operations from becoming airborne.
- (g) COMAR 26.11.09.05A(1), which limits visible emissions to 20% from fuel burning equipment.
- (3) This source is subject to all applicable State-only enforceable air pollution control requirements including, but not limited to, the following regulations:
 - (a) COMAR 26.11.02.13A(16 and 25), which requires that the Permittee obtain from the Department, and maintain and renew as required, a valid State permit-to-operate.
 - (b) COMAR 26.11.02.14D, which requires that the Permittee submit to the Department not later than 60 days prior to initiating operation of the installation for which this permit is issued a completed application for a State permit-to-operate.
 - (c) COMAR 26.11.02.19C & D, which require that the Permittee submit to the Department annual certifications of emissions, and that the Permittee maintain sufficient records to support the emissions information presented in such submittals.
 - (d) COMAR 26.11.06.08 and 26.11.06.09, which generally prohibit the discharge of emissions beyond the property line in such a manner that a nuisance or air pollution is created.

- (e) COMAR 26.11.15.05, which requires that the Permittee implement "Best Available Control Technology for Toxics" (T BACT) to control emissions of toxic air pollutants.
- (f) COMAR 26.11.15.06, which prohibits the discharge of toxic air pollutants to the extent that such emissions would unreasonably endanger human health.
- (g) COMAR 26.11.18.03A(1) which prohibits the operation of any graindrying installation unless particulate matter emissions are reduced through the use of a 24 mesh screen or other equivalent device.
- (h) COMAR 26.11.18.03A(2) which prohibits the operation of any grain-handling installation without taking reasonable precautions to prevent particulate matter from becoming airborne.

Part C – Construction Conditions

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in this part, the following installations shall be constructed in accordance with specifications included in the incorporated applications:
 - (a) One (1) fully enclosed mixer discharge surge hopper with a capacity of 3 tons;
 - (b) One (1) fully enclosed mixer surge discharge conveyor with a capacity of 108 tons per hour;
 - (c) One (1) fully enclosed mash transfer leg #1 with a capacity of 108 tons per hour:
 - (d) One (1) fully enclosed mash transfer leg #2 with a capacity of 108 tons per hour;
 - (e) One (1) fully enclosed mash leg bucket elevator with a capacity of 110 tons per hour; and
 - (f) One (1) fully enclosed finish feed swing turnhead.
- (2) The two (2) Champion hammermills shall be modified such that their maximum throughput capacity does not exceed 85 tons per hour.

Part D1 - General Operating Conditions

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in this part, all registered installations shall be operated in accordance with specifications included in the application and any operating procedures recommended by equipment vendors unless the Permittee obtains from the Department written authorization for alternative operating procedures.
- (2) During operation of the two (2) Champion Hammermills, particulate matter emissions shall be captured and exhausted to a baghouse prior to discharging to the atmosphere.
- (3) During operation of the major and minor scales, particulate matter emissions shall be captured and exhausted to a baghouse prior to discharging to the atmosphere.
- (4) The one (1) salt bin shall have particulate matter emissions captured and exhausted to a baghouse prior to discharging to the atmosphere.
- (5) The Permittee shall burn only propane or natural gas as fuel in the Cleaver Brooks boiler unless the Permittee obtains an approval from the Department to burn alternate fuels.

Part D2 - Feed Mill Pellet Line Operating Conditions

- (1) In all areas of the Feed Mill Pellet Line, including the one (1) finished feed system and loadouts, where materials contain chromium or manganese, the Permittee shall maintain the following management practices and housekeeping measures to minimize dust:
 - (a) Use either an industrial vacuum system or manual sweeping to reduce the amount of dust;
 - (b) At least once per month, remove dust from walls, ledges, and equipment using low pressure air or by other means, and then sweep or vacuum the area;
 - (c) Keep exterior doors in the immediate affected areas shut except during normal ingress and egress, as practicable. This does not apply to areas where finished product is stored in closed containers, and no other materials containing chromium or manganese are present.

- (d) Maintain and operate all process equipment in accordance with manufacturer's specifications and in a manner to minimize dust creation.
- (e) Store any raw materials containing chromium or manganese in closed containers.
- (f) The mixer where materials containing chromium or manganese are added must be covered at all times when mixing is occurring, except when the materials are being added to the mixer. Materials containing chromium or manganese must be added to the mixer in a manner that minimizes emissions.
- (2) During operation of the Feed Mill Pellet Line, particulate matter emissions shall be captured and routed to the HE multi-cyclone designed to reduce emissions of particulate matter by 95 percent or greater.
- (3) The HE multi-cyclone shall be operated according to manufacturer specifications.
- (4) The Feed Mill Pellet Line shall have a maximum throughput rating of 85 tons per hour.

Part D3 – Grain Handling and Processing Operating Conditions

- (1) In accordance with COMAR 26.11.18.03A(2), the Permittee may not cause or permit the operation of any grain drying or handling operation unless the following procedures are used:
 - (a) proper housekeeping and equipment maintenance procedures, including, but not limited to, prompt removal of "beeswing" accumulation by a technique which prevents this material from reentering the ambient air; and
 - (b) reasonable precautions to minimize emissions from grain receiving, conveyance, or load-out facilities in accordance with good engineering design and operation procedures.
- (2) In accordance with COMAR 26.11.18.03A(1), the Permittee may not cause or permit the operation of any grain drying installation unless all exhaust gases discharged pass through a 24 mesh screen or the installation is fitted with other equipment or incorporates design features that will accomplish equally effective

- results in reducing particulate matter discharge. "Mesh" means Tyler Standard Screen Scale or its equivalent.
- (3) The Permittee shall burn only natural gas as fuel for the grain dryer unless the Permittee obtains an approval from the Department to burn alternate fuels.
- (4) From the one (1) grain dryer the Permittee shall not cause to be discharged into the atmosphere any emissions which exhibit greater than 0 percent. The standard for opacity stated in this condition does not apply during periods of startup, shutdown and malfunction. [Reference: 40 CFR §60.302(a) and 40 CFR §60.11(c)]
- (5) The Truck (Grain) Receiving Pit (ARA Registration No. 039-0072-8-0030) and the Feed Ingredient Truck Pit (ARA Registration No. 039-0072-8-0032) shall each have fugitive dust be captured and vented to a baghouse prior to exhausting to the atmosphere.
- (6) The Permittee shall not cause to be discharged into the atmosphere any fugitive emissions which exhibit opacity greater than 5 percent for the following emission sources:
 - (a) Truck (Grain) Receiving Pit (ARA Registration No. 039-0072-8-0030);
 - (b) Feed Ingredient Truck Pit (ARA Registration No. 039-0072-8-0032);
 - (c) Corn Rail Unloading Pit (ARA Registration No. 039-0072-8-0031); and
 - (d) Rail Feed Ingredient Receiving Pit (ARA Registration No. 039-0072-8-0033).

[Reference: 40 CFR §60.302(c)(1)]

- (7) The Permittee shall not cause to be discharged into the atmosphere any fugitive emissions which exhibit opacity greater than 0 percent for the six (6) material processing legs rated at 108 tph, 108 tph, 390 tph, 4558 bushels/hr, 4645 bushels/hr, and 3500 bushels/hr (ARA Registration No. 039-0072-8-0040). [Reference: 40 CFR §60.302(c)(2)]
- (8) The Permittee shall not cause to be discharged into the atmosphere any fugitive emissions which exhibit opacity greater than 10 percent for the following emission sources:
 - (a) Three (3) gravity loadouts (ARA Registration No. 039-0072-8-0040); and

- (b) One (1) mechanical grain loadout controlled by a dust suppression system (ARA Registration No. 039-0072-8-0040). [Reference: 40 CFR §60.302(c)(3)]
- (9) The standards for opacity stated conditions (4), (6), (7) and (8) do not apply during periods of startup, shutdown and malfunction. [Reference: 40 CFR §60.11(c)]
- (10) Mineral oil application shall be used to control fugitive dust from all grain receiving and handling operations to meet the opacity standards of 40 CFR §60.302(c) when applicable.

Part E - Monitoring Requirements

- (1) The Permittee shall perform quarterly inspections of the HE multi-cyclone on the Feed Pellet Line for corrosion, erosion, or any other damage that could result in air in-leakage.
- (1) The Permittee shall monitor the inlet flow rate, inlet velocity, pressure drop, or fan amperage at least once per day when the Feed Mill Pellet Line is in operation.

Part F - Notifications, Testing and Monitoring

- (1) The Permittee shall submit written or electronic notification to the Department of the actual date of initial startup of the modified hammermills and mash transfer legs within 15 days after such date.
- (2) Not later than 180 days after initial start up of the modified hammermills and mash transfer legs the Permittee shall demonstrate compliance with all applicable opacity standards. [Reference: 40 CFR §60.11 and §60.303(b)(3)]
- (3) The Permittee shall use Method 9 of Appendix A-4 to 40 CFR, Part 60 and the procedures in 40 CFR §60.11.
- (4) In accordance with 40 CFR, Subpart A, §60.8, the Permittee shall notify the Department in writing at least 30 days prior to any performance test to afford the Department the opportunity to have an observer present. In the event of a delay to the original test date, the Permittee shall notify the Department as soon as possible, either by providing at least 7 days prior notice of the rescheduled date of the performance test, or by arranging a rescheduled date with the Department.

(5) Within 45 days following the required Method 9 observations, the Permittee shall submit the results to the Department.

Part G – Record Keeping and Reporting

- (1) The Permittee shall maintain for at least five (5) years, and shall make available to the Department upon request, records of the following information:
 - (a) Monthly amount and type of fuel combusted in the Cleaver Brooks boiler; [Reference: 40 CFR §60.48c(g)(2)]
 - (b) Monthly amount of material processed in the two (2) Champion Hammermills;
 - (c) Monthly amount of material processed in the major and minor scales;
 - (d) Monthly amount of grain processed through each receiving pit and the grain handling equipment;
 - (e) Monthly amount of grain processed through the Zimmerman grain dryer;
 - (f) Monthly amount and type of fuel combusted in the burner for the Zimmerman grain dryer;
 - (g) Monthly amount of feed ingredients processed through the feed ingredient truck pit and the rail feed ingredient receiving pit;
 - (h) The preventative maintenance plan and all required maintenance logs;
 - (i) Monthly amount of feed produced in the Feed Mill Pellet Line;
 - (j) Manufacturer specifications for the HE-multi-cyclone indicating the cyclone is designed to reduce emissions of particulate matter by 95 percent or greater including:
 - The inlet flow rate, inlet velocity, pressure drop, or fan amperage range that represents proper operation of the cyclone; and
 - ii. The operation and maintenance procedures to ensure proper operation of the cyclone.

- (k) Daily records of inlet flow rate, inlet velocity, pressure drop, or fan amperage of the Feed Mill Pellet Line; and
- (I) Results of all quarterly inspections on the HE multi-cyclone, including:
 - i. The date, time, and location of each inspection;
 - ii. The person performing the inspection;
 - iii. The date, time, and duration of the corrective action period from the time the inspection indicated a problem to the time that the device was replaced or restored to operation.
- (2) By March 1 of every year, the Permittee shall prepare an annual compliance certification report for the previous calendar year including the following information regarding the Feed Mill Pellet Line. If there are any instances of non-compliance as noted in (c) and (d), the report shall be submitted to the Department.
 - (a) The company name and address;
 - (b) A statement by a responsible official with that official's name, title, phone number, e-mail address, and signature, certifying the truth, accuracy, and completeness of the notification and a statement of whether the facility has complied with all the relevant standards and requirements of 40 CFR 63, Subpart DDDDDDD.
 - (c) Include a description of deviations from the applicable requirements, the time periods during which the deviations occurred, and the corrective actions taken.
 - (d) Identify all instances when the daily inlet flow rate, inlet velocity, pressure drop, or fan amperage is outside the range that constitutes proper operation of the HE multi-cyclone. In these instances, include the time periods when this occurred and the corrective actions taken.
- (3) The Permittee shall maintain at the facility for at least five (5) years, and shall make available to the Department upon request, records necessary to support annual certifications of emissions and demonstrations of compliance for toxic air pollutants. Such records shall include, if applicable, the following:

- (a) mass emissions rates for each regulated pollutant, and the total mass emissions rate for all regulated pollutants for each registered source of emissions:
- (b) accounts of the methods and assumptions used to quantify emissions;
- (c) all operating data, including operating schedules and production data, that were used in determinations of emissions;
- (d) amounts, types, and analyses of all fuels used;
- (e) any records, the maintenance of which is required by this permit or by State or federal regulations, that pertain to the operation and maintenance of continuous emissions monitors, including:
 - (i) all emissions data generated by such monitors;
 - (ii) all monitor calibration data;
 - (iii) information regarding the percentage of time each monitor was available for service; and
 - (iv) information concerning any equipment malfunctions.
- (f) information concerning operation, maintenance, and performance of air pollution control equipment and compliance monitoring equipment, including:
 - (i) identifications and descriptions of all such equipment;
 - (ii) operating schedules for each item of such equipment;
 - (iii) accounts of any significant maintenance performed;
 - (iv) accounts of all malfunctions and outages; and
 - (v) accounts of any episodes of reduced efficiency.
- (g) limitations on source operation or any work practice standards that significantly affect emissions; and
- (h) other relevant information as required by the Department.

- (4) The Permittee shall submit to the Department by April 1 of each year a certification of emissions for the previous calendar year. The certifications shall be prepared in accordance with requirements, as applicable, adopted under COMAR 26.11.01.05 1 and COMAR 26.11.02.19D.
 - (a) Certifications of emissions shall be submitted on forms obtained from the Department.
 - (b) A certification of emissions shall include mass emissions rates for each regulated pollutant, and the total mass emissions rate for all regulated pollutants for each of the facility's registered sources of emissions.
 - (c) The person responsible for a certification of emissions shall certify the submittal to the Department in the following manner:
 - "I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."
- (5) The Permittee shall submit to the Department by April 1 of each year a written certification of the results of an analysis of emissions of toxic air pollutants from the Permittee's facility during the previous calendar year. Such analysis shall include either:
 - (a) a statement that previously submitted compliance demonstrations for emissions of toxic air pollutants remain valid; or
 - (b) a revised compliance demonstration, developed in accordance with requirements included under COMAR 26.11.15 & 16, that accounts for changes in operations, analytical methods, emissions determinations, or other factors that have invalidated previous demonstrations.
- (6) The Permittee shall report, in accordance with requirements under COMAR 26.11.01.07, occurrences of excess emissions to the Compliance Program of the Air and Radiation Administration.

Part H - Temporary Permit-to-Operate Conditions

- (1) This permit-to-construct shall also serve as a temporary permit-to-operate that confers upon the Permittee authorization to operate the modified hammermills for a period of up to 180 days after initiating operation.
- (2) The Permittee shall provide the Department with written or electronic notification of the date on which operation of the modified hammermills is initiated. Such notification shall be provided within 15 business days of the date to be reported.
- Ouring the effective period of the temporary permit-to-operate the Permittee shall operate the new installation as required by the applicable terms and conditions of this permit-to-construct, and in accordance with operating procedures and recommendations provided by equipment vendors.
- (4) The Permittee shall submit to the Department an application for a State permitto-operate no later than 60 days prior to expiration of the effective period of the temporary permit-to-operate.

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REFERENCES

The Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) is searchable by COMAR citation at the following Division of State Documents website:

http://www.dsd.state.md.us/COMAR/ComarHome.html

The Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), including New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) at 40 CFR, Part 60 and National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) at 40 CFR, Parts 61 and 63, is searchable by CFR citation at the following U.S. Government Publishing Office website:

http://www.ecfr.gov

Information on National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) is located at the following U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) website:

https://www.epa.gov/criteria-air-pollutants/naaqs-table

Information on Maryland's Ambient Air Monitoring Program is located at the following Maryland Department of the Environment website:

http://mde.maryland.gov/programs/Air/AirQualityMonitoring/Pages/index.aspx

Information on the U.S. EPA's Screen3 computer model and other EPA-approved air dispersion models is located at the following U.S. EPA website:

http://www.epa.gov/scram001/dispersion screening.htm

Information on the U.S. EPA TANKS Emission Estimation Software is located at the following U.S. EPA website:

http://www.epa.gov/ttn/chief/software/tanks/index.html

Information on the U.S. EPA Emission Factors and AP-42 is located at the following U.S. EPA website:

https://www.epa.gov/air-emissions-factors-and-quantification/ap-42-compilation-air-emission-factors