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NOTICE – Opportunity to Comment on Draft Proposed Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) Regulations:

Pursuant to Chapter 212, Acts of 2019, the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) will provide the opportunity for small businesses, nonprofit organizations, and other interested parties to comment on a draft proposal to amend Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) by adopting new regulations under a new subtitle COMAR 26.28 Voluntary Cleanup Program. The draft proposed regulatory changes are expected to impact small business commercial and residential developers, environmental consultants, and renewable energy companies.

Public comments on the draft proposed VCP regulations will be accepted through **August 17**, **2021**. Additional public comments will be accepted by MDE during the mandatory 30-day public comment period required by law for all newly proposed regulations, which begins once proposed regulations are published in the *Maryland Register*.

Please submit comments concerning the draft proposed VCP regulations via email, mail, fax, or telephone to:

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