

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT LAND AND MATERIALS ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE OF TENTATIVE DETERMINATION OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

AND

NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING

ISSUE DATES: December 20 and 27, 2024

The Land and Materials Administration of the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) has completed the review of an application for a new Controlled Hazardous Substance (CHS) facility permit. The permit would authorize Triumvirate Environmental (Baltimore) LLC to operate a CHS transfer facility at 1500 Carbon Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21226. This notice provides information about a draft CHS permit, announces an opportunity for public review and comment on the permit, and provides details about an informational meeting and a public hearing that have been scheduled.

BACKGROUND

MDE received the application for the permit on July 5, 2023. Additional information that the applicant submitted in response to MDE comments was received March 27 and October 4, 2024.

Based upon the application meeting all applicable regulations, MDE has made a tentative determination to issue a permit. Accordingly, MDE has prepared a draft permit that MDE proposes to issue. The draft permit specifies conditions on facility operations in conformance with Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 26.13. The draft permit includes Standard Conditions, General Facility Conditions, and Special Conditions for truck-to-truck transfer of in-transit containers of hazardous waste. A given container would be on-site for no more than 10 days. The operation would supplement similar activity conducted by the applicant nearby at 3200 Sun Street under an existing CHS Transfer Facility Permit.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

The permit application, a fact sheet, and the draft permit are on file at MDE's offices and may be reviewed during normal business hours upon appointment. Contact information for the purpose of scheduling an appointment appears at the end of this notice. Copies of documents may be obtained at a reasonable charge. The draft permit and related information are also available for review at the Brooklyn Park Branch of the Anne Arundel County Public Library, 1 East 11th Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21225.

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The draft permit and fact sheet will also be posted on MDE's website. These documents will be available from a link at

https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/land/HazardousWaste/Pages/index.aspx.

All persons, including the permit applicant, who believe that any condition of the draft permit is inappropriate or that MDE's tentative decision to prepare a draft permit is inappropriate, shall raise all reasonably ascertainable issues and submit all reasonably available arguments and factual grounds supporting their position, including all supporting material, by the close of the public comment period.

Written comments on MDE's tentative determination will be accepted until the close of business on <u>February 3, 2025</u> and should be addressed to Stephanie Cobb-Williams, Acting Director, Land and Materials Administration, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite 610, Baltimore, Maryland 21230-1719.

Any supporting material which accompanies correspondence must be included in its entirety and may not be incorporated by reference, unless it is already part of the administrative record in this proceeding, or it consists of State or Federal statutes and regulations, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) documents of general applicability, or other generally available materials. Commenters must make supporting material not already included in the administrative record available to the Acting Director.

INFORMATIONAL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING

MDE has scheduled an informational meeting, to be followed immediately by a public hearing. The informational meeting will begin at 6:30 pm on January 22, 2025 at St. Athanasius Church, 4708 Prudence Street, Baltimore, MD 21226. MDE will provide an interpreter for hearing impaired persons, if requested at least five workdays before the hearing date.

The informational meeting will provide information about facility operations and the draft permit. The purpose of the public hearing is to provide a public forum for the submission of comments on MDE's tentative determination to issue a permit. Comments may also be submitted in writing, as discussed above, until the close of business on February 3, 2025.

For further information regarding this notice or to schedule an appointment to review the administrative record, contact Albert Simkins at (410) 537-3402 or albert.simkins@maryland.gov .