MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT
WATER AND SCIENCE ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE OF TENTATIVE DETERMINATION AND PUBLIC HEARING

Baltimore County

State Discharge Permit Application 05-DP-0064A, NPDES Permit Application MD0001201:

Tradepoint Atlantic (TPA), at 6995 Bethlehem Blvd, Suite 100, Baltimore, MD 21219, requested modification to authorize a new Outfall 014B to discharge varying volumes of DMCF dewatering effluent and stormwater because the DMCF is exposed to stormwater by design.

The Department proposes to issue the permit with limits on new Outfall 014B prior to diffuser: pH (6 to 9 monthly average,6-9 daily maximum); total suspended solids (75 mg/L average, 150 mg/L maximum); ammonia (74 mg/L maximum); free cyanide (20 µg/L maximum); benzo(A) anthracene (4.6 µg/L maximum); benzo(A)pyrene (0.5 µg/L maximum); benzo(B)fluoranthene (4.6 µg/L maximum); benzo(K)fluoranthene (45.8 µg/L maximum); chrysene(63.4 µg/L maximum); indeno(1,2,3-Cd)pyrene (4.6 µg/L maximum); 4,4'-DDE (0.6 µg/L maximum); heptachlor epoxide (0.1 µg/L maximum); toxaphene (0.7 µg/L maximum); total PCBs (65 g/year maximum). The annual loads of total nitrogen, total phosphorus and total suspended solids from Outfall 014B must be included in the existing load limitations for the existing Humphries Creek WWTP discharge (at newly-defined Outfall 075).

In addition to the new DMCF outfall, the Department is proposing updates to the permit to reflect changes at the site from the issuance of 05-DP-0064 to present. This includes defining a new Outfall 075, elimination of monitoring for outfalls which no longer receive wastewater, and updating of footnotes and special conditions for events which have already occurred. A full list of changes is found at the top of the statement of basis for this permit modification.

Per MD Environmental Article § 1–602(a)(2), an EJ score was calculated for this facility. The EJ Score is 93.90. This score has been calculated considering a combination of the following factors: Pollution Burden Exposure Percentile, Pollution Burden Environmental Effects Percentile, and Sensitive Population Percentile. For more information on how the score was calculated, launch the MDEnviroScreen tool from this website - https://mde.maryland.gov/Environmental_Justice/Pages/MDEnviroScreen.aspx.

A copy of the draft permit, draft fact sheet, and permit application may be downloaded from the Department's website at https://mdewwp.page.link/wwpportal. At that webpage, search for State Number 05DP0064A, click "More Info," and then select the desired document(s) to download.

Public Hearing

For communication purposes, we encourage all interested individuals to register via the virtual event link below.

A hybrid hearing has been scheduled for **Thursday, December 3, 2026, beginning at 6:00 p.m..** The in-person hearing will be held at **Sollers Point Multi-Purpose Center, 323 Sollers Point Road, Dundalk, MD 21222**.

The virtual event may be joined via Google Meet. To participate online, you MUST register using the following link: https://mdewwp.page.link/PublicMeetings. There is also a phone listen-only option. Those who want to monitor the virtual hearing in listen-only mode can call **+1 219-654-2153** and enter this **PIN: 259 256 860#**

The in-person meeting location is accessible to individuals with disabilities as defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Individuals who require reasonable accommodation or a language interpreter to participate in the meeting should contact MDE by email at mde.accommodations@maryland.gov or call 410-537-3152 (MD Relay TTY: 7-1-1) at least 5 business days in advance of the meeting.

Any hearing-impaired person may request an interpreter for the event by contacting the Office of Fair Practices at (410) 537-3964 at least ten working days before the scheduled hearing date. TTY users should contact the Maryland Relay Service at 1-800-201-7165. Sollers Point Multi-Purpose Center is not affiliated with and does not necessarily endorse the opinions, beliefs, statements, writing, and philosophies expressed by this activity or its participants.

People who wish to present information regarding the tentative determination may speak at the public hearing, submit written comments at the public hearing, or submit a written statement to the Department no later than **5 p.m. on Tuesday, December 8, 2026**. This date represents an extension of the original 30-day comment period to five (5) days following a public hearing, in accordance with COMAR 26.08.04.01-1B(5)(g). The original end date for the comment period was November 29, 2026. All comments will be considered in making a final determination. Comments received via any submission mechanism are given equal weight.

Written comments should be addressed to the **Maryland Department of the Environment, Water and Science Administration, 1800 Washington Blvd., Baltimore, Maryland 21230-1708, Attn.: Mr. Jonathan Rice, Chief, Industrial and General Permits Division**. Written comments may also be emailed to **jonathan.rice@maryland.gov**. The supporting information for the tentative determination, including the draft permit and fact sheet, may be reviewed by contacting Mr. Rice at the above address or by telephone at (410) 537-3859 or 1-800-633-6101 to schedule an appointment. Copies of documents may be procured at a cost of $0.36 per page.

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