PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 2019-04ML

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I. NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR A NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT TO DISCHARGE TREATED WASTEWATER INTO WATERS OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

NPDES permits are valid for a maximum of five years. Prior to expiration of an existing permit, a new application must be submitted and evaluated.

An antidegradation analysis is conducted, as applicable, for new or expanded point source discharges that are proposed. The analysis evaluates whether allowing lower water quality is necessary to accommodate important economic or social development in the area in which the waters are located. In all cases, existing instream water uses and the level of water quality necessary to protect the existing use is maintained and protected.

All municipalities must be in compliance with the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) Service Delivery Strategy in order to receive a permit.

Having reviewed such applications, the Environmental Protection Division (EPD) is considering the issuance of NPDES permits to the following applicants, subject to specific pollutant limitations and special conditions.

NPDES PERMIT REISSUANCE

Bulloch County

City of Statesboro, P.O. Box 348, Statesboro, Georgia 30459, NPDES Permit No. GA0023108, for the Statesboro Water Pollution Control Plant located at 302 Briarwood Road, Statesboro, Georgia 30458. Up to 10 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Little Lotts Creek in the Ogeechee River Basin. The permit has been modified to include effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for the distribution of up to 7.5 MGD of treated effluent to reuse customers. LAS Permit GAJ020302 will be terminated by EPD once NPDES Permit No. GA0023108 is effective.

Chatham County

City of Savannah, P.O. Box 1027, Savannah, Georgia 31402, NPDES Permit No. GA0038326 for the Crossroads Water Pollution Control Plant located at Gulfstream Road, Savannah, Georgia 31404 (Chatham County). Up to 3.0 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to St. Augustine Creek in the Savannah River Basin.

City of Savannah, P.O. Box 1027, Savannah, Georgia 31402, NPDES Permit No. GA0020427 for the Travis Field Water Pollution Control Plant located at 198 Darque Road, Savannah, Georgia 31408 (Chatham County). Up to 1.5 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged into the Savannah River in the Savannah River Basin.

Garden City, 100 Central Avenue, Garden City, GA 31418, NPDES Permit No. GA0031038, for the Garden City Water Pollution Control Plant located at 1 Bud Brown Drive, Garden City, Georgia 31408. Up to 2.0 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Savannah River in the Savannah River Basin.

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International Paper Company – Port Wentworth Mill, 1 Bonnybridge Road, Port Wentworth, Georgia 31407, NPDES Permit No. GA0002798, for its pulp and paper mill located in Port Wentworth, Chatham County, Georgia. A maximum of 27.4 MGD of process wastewater, sanitary wastewater, and stormwater is discharged to the Savannah River in the Savannah River Basin.

International Paper Company – Savannah Mill, 1201 West Lathrop Avenue, Savannah, Georgia 31042, NPDES Permit No. GA0001988, for its paper mill manufacturing facility located in Savannah, Georgia Chatham County. An average 27.1 MGD of facility and process wastewater, third-party process wastewater and stormwater is discharged to Savannah River in the Savannah River Basin.

Columbia County

City of Harlem, P.O. Box 99, Harlem, Georgia 30814, NPDES Permit No. GA0020389, for the Harlem Water Pollution Control Plant located at 700 North Louisville Street, Harlem, Georgia 30814. Up to 0.25 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Uchee Creek in the Savannah River Basin.

Effingham County

Georgia-Pacific Consumer Operations, LLC – Savannah River Mill, P.O. Box 828, Rincon, Georgia 31326, NPDES Permit No. GA0046973, for its recycle tissue mill located at 437 Old Augusta Road South, Rincon, Georgia 31326. A maximum of 31.47 MGD of process wastewater combined with stormwater is discharged to the Savannah River in the Savannah River Basin and approximately 0.01 MGD of sanitary waste is land applied on a dedicated land treatment system located onsite.

Favette County

YES! Communities EXP2, LLC, 1900 16th Street, Suite 950, Denver, CO 80202, NPDES Permit No. GA0023388, for the Four Seasons Mobile Home Community Water Pollution Control Plant located at 100 Apollo Drive, Fayetteville, Georgia 30214. Up to 0.0749 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Tar Creek in the Flint River Basin.

Habersham County

Hanson Aggregates Southeast, LLC, 3237 Satellite Boulevard, Building 300, Suite 210, Duluth, Georgia 30096, NPDES Permit No. GA0046086, for its granite quarry facility located at 500 Quarry Road, Demorest, Georgia 30535, in Habersham County. Approximately 1.75 MGD of mine dewatering, stormwater, dust suppression water, and shop water is discharged to Hazel Creek in the Chattahoochee River Basin.

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Hall County

Greenleaf Investment Partners L052, LLC, 2700 Northeast Expressway, Suite C100, Atlanta, Georgia, 30325, NPDES Permit No. GA0027049 for its Baker & Glover Mobile Home Park Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) located at 3515 Casper Drive, Gainesville, Georgia, 30506. Up to 0.011 MGD and 0.0072 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged into two unnamed tributaries of the East Fork Little River in the Chattahoochee River Basin. In addition, the permit has been modified to include language for an approved Sludge Management Plan to allow sewage sludge generated at the plant to be delivered to another permitted facility for further treatment and ultimate disposal.

Jackson County

Town of Braselton, Post Office Box 306, Braselton, GA 30517, NPDES Permit No. GA038857, for the Braselton Water Reclamation Facility located at 1541 Josh Pirkle Road, Braselton, Georgia 30517. Up to 1.27 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Mulberry River in the Oconee River Basin or distributed to reuse customers. The draft permit also includes effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for an expanded flow of 2.54 MGD.

Lumpkin County

Haggai Realty, LLC, 800 Ocean Drive, Number 503, Juno Beach, Florida 33408, NPDES Permit No. GA0034207, for the Oak Grove Mobile Home Park Water Pollution Control Plant located at Oak Grove Road, Dahlonega, Georgia 30533. Up to 0.005 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to an unnamed tributary to Cane Creek in the Chattahoochee River Basin.

Richmond County

Graphic Packaging International LLC, 4278 Mike Padgett Highway, Augusta, Georgia 30906, NPDES Permit No. GA0002801, for its integrated kraft pulp and paper mill located in Augusta, Richmond County, Georgia. An average of 44.6 MGD of pulp and paperboard process water, foul condensate, landfill leachate, sanitary wastewater, and wastewater received from Resolute Forest Products for treatment is discharged to the Savannah River in the Savannah River Basin.

Stewart County

City of Richland, 390 Broad Street, Richland, Georgia 31825, NPDES Permit No. GA0021539 for the Richland Water Pollution Control Plant located at 24 Milliken Avenue, Richland, Georgia 31825. Up to 0.3 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Bear Creek in the Flint River Basin.

Troup County

Kimberly-Clark Corporation, 351 Phelps Dr., Irving, Texas 75038, NPDES Permit No. GA0046914, for its textile mill located at 1300 Orchard Hill Rd LaGrange, Georgia 30240 in Troup County. Approximately 0.0117 MGD of non-contact cooling condensate and stormwater is discharged to an unnamed tributary of Blue John Creek in the Chattahoochee River Basin.

White County

City of Cleveland, 85 South Main Street, Cleveland, Georgia 30528, NPDES Permit No. GA0036820, for the Water Pollution Control Plant located at 558 Jess Hunt Road, Cleveland, Georgia 30528. Up to 0.75 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Tesnatee Creek in the Chattahoochee River Basin.

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NPDES PERMIT MODIFICATION

Rockdale County

Rockdale County, 958 Milstead Avenue, Conyers, Georgia, 30012, NPDES Permit No. GA0047678, for the Quigg Branch Water Pollution Control Plant located at 2440 Tatum Road, Conyers, Georgia 30013. The permit is being modified to include effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for an intermediary discharge flow of 7.0 MGD into the Yellow River in the Ocmulgee River Basin.

NPDES PERMIT TERMINATION

Elbert County

Georgia Stone Products, LLC, P.O. Box 156 Elbert, Georgia 30635, NPDES Permit No. GA0050228, for its Broad River Quarry located at 2193 Athens Hwy, Elberton, Georgia, 30635 in Elbert County. The Broad River Quarry has requested coverage under the General Permit for Mining and Processing Facilities. NPDES Permit No. GA0050228 is no longer necessary.

II. NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR AN INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PERMITS TO DISCHARGE WASTEWATER TO A PUBLICLY OWNED TREATMENT WORKS.

Industrial Pretreatment permits are valid for a maximum of five years. Prior to expiration of an existing permit, a new application must be submitted and evaluated.

INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PERMIT REISSUANCE

Washington County

Trojan Battery Company, 12380 Clark Street, Santa Fe Springs, California 90670, Permit No. GAP050266, for its lead battery manufacturing facility located at 3012 West George J. Lyons Parkway, Sandersville, Georgia 31082. An average of 0.027 MGD of pretreated process wastewater from battery wash detergent, mold release formation, miscellaneous waste streams, grid casting, water batch treatment, plate making, acid mixing, and baghouse operations is discharged to the City of Sandersville Water Pollution Control Plant in the Savannah River Basin.

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III. NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR A LAND APPLICATION SYSTEM PERMIT FOR THE DISPOSAL OF WASTEWATER APPLIED TO THE SURFACE OR BENEATH THE SURFACE OF LAND.

Land Application System (LAS) permits are valid for a maximum of five years. Prior to expiration of an existing permit, a new application must be submitted and evaluated.

All municipalities must be in compliance with the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) Service Delivery Strategy in order to receive a permit.

LAS PERMIT REISSUANCE

Evans County

Claxton Poultry Riverside Farm, 8861 US Highway 301 North, Permit No. GAJ010415 for a poultry processing facility located at 8816 US Highway 301 North, Claxton, Georgia. A maximum of 2.0 MGD of pretreated process wastewater will be land applied to a dedicated site in the Ogeechee River Basin.

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Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations are invited to submit same in writing to the EPD address below or via e-mail at EPDcomments @dnr.ga.gov, no later than April 1, 2019. Please use the words "Public Notice No. 2019-04ML" and the name of the subject facility that you are commenting on in the subject line to ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff. All comments received prior to or on that date will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. In the case of the permits which are on this notice for proposed modification, only those conditions -subject to modification are open to public comment. In the case of the Industrial Pretreatment Program Approvals and Modifications comments are to be submitted to EPD no later than April 16, 2019. A public hearing may be requested or additional information regarding public hearing procedures is available by writing the EPD at the address noted below.

A fact sheet or copy of draft permits are available by writing the Environmental Protection Division. The permit application, draft permit, comments received, and other information are available for review at 2 MLK Jr. Dr. S.W., 1152 East Tower, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. For additional information contact: Audra Dickson, Wastewater Regulatory Program, phone (404) 463-1511. Please bring this notice to the attention of interested persons.