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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

Dade County

City of Trenton, PO Box 518, Trenton, GA 30752, NPDES Permit No. GA0026221, for its Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) located at Industrial Park Drive, Trenton, Georgia 30752 (Dade County). Up to 0.95 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Lookout Creek in the Tennessee River Basin.

Dooly County

Town of Byromville, P.O. Box 36, Byromville, Georgia 31007, NPDES Permit No. GA0025623, for the Byromville Water Pollution Control Plant located at 489 Central Avenue, Byromville, GA 31007. Up to 0.104 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Turkey Creek in the Flint River Basin.

Franklin County

City of Franklin Springs, P.O. Box 207, Franklin Springs, GA 30639, NPDES Permit No. GA0050172, for the Franklin Springs Water Pollution Control Plant located at 2135 East main Street, Franklin Springs, Georgia 30639. Up to 0.1 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Hayes Creek in the Savannah River Basin.

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Glascock, Hancock, Jefferson, McDuffie, Twiggs, Washington, Warren and Wilkinson Counties

Imerys Clays Inc. 618 Kaolin Road, Sandersville, Georgia 31082, NPDES Permit No. GA0045934, for its kaolin mining and processing facilities located in Glascock, Hancock, Jefferson, McDuffie, Twiggs, Washington, Warren and Wilkinson counties, Georgia. Approximately 2.8 MGD of process wastewater, pit pumpout, and stormwater is discharged from outfall 001 to Buffalo Creek in the Oconee River Basin, and approximately 1.5 MGD of pit pumpout and stormwater is discharged from each of 53 outfalls to Buffalo Creek, Pittman Branch, Reedy Creek, Thompson Branch, Tributaries to Alligator Creek, Tributary to Big Creek, Tributaries to Big Sandy Creek, Tributaries to Bluff Creek, Tributaries to Brier Creek, Tributaries to Brush Creek, Tributaries to Buffalo Creek, Tributary to Charlotte Gin Branch, Tributary to Clear Creek, Tributaries to Deepstep Creek, Tributaries to Dry Fork Creek, Tributary to Fort Branch, Tributary to Gin Branch, Tributary to Hammocks Branch, Tributary to Hayes Creek, Tributary to Keg Creek, Tributary to Lamar's Creek, Tributary to Little Commissioner Creek, Tributary to Little Keg Creek, Tributary to Nelson Branch, Tributary to Oconee Creek, Tributary to Panther Run, Tributary to Peavy Branch, Tributaries to Porter Creek, Tributary to Reedy Creek, Tributary to Rosston Creek, Tributary to Sandy Creek, Tributaries to Sandy Hill Creek and Tributary to Spring Creek in the Oconee, Ogeechee, and Savannah River Basins.

Lowndes County

Excalibur Realty, 1219 Old Clyattville Road, Valdosta, GA 31601, NPDES Permit No. GA0039349, for its groundwater remediation facility located at 1219 Old Clyattville Road in Valdosta, Lowndes County, Georgia. Approximately 0.013 mgd of treated water from groundwater remediation is discharged to Langdale's Pond in the Suwannee River Basin.

Pike County

City of Zebulon, Post Office Box 385, Zebulon, Georgia 30295, NPDES Permit No. GA0049476, for the City of Zebulon Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) located at 14940 Concord Street, Zebulon, Georgia 30295. Up to 0.199 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Town Branch, tributary to Elkins Creek in the Flint River Basin. The permit also includes effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for the expanded flow of 0.286 MGD. The permit has been modified to include effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for the land application of up to 0.499 MGD of treated wastewater onto a dedicated site in Pike County in the Flint River Basin. LAS Permit GAJ020012 will be rescinded by EPD once NPDES Permit No. GA0049476 is effective.

Polk County

GEO Specialty Chemicals Inc., P.O. Box 1047, Cedartown, Georgia 30125, NPDES Permit No. GA0001708, for its chemical manufacturing facility located at 701 Wissahickon Avenue, Cedartown, Georgia in Polk County. An average of 0.28 MGD of process wastewater and stormwater is discharged to Cedar Creek (Outfall 002) in the Coosa River Basin.

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Taylor County

Taylor County Board of Commissioners, Post Office Box 278, Butler, GA 31006, NPDES Permit No. GA0000302, for the Plant Laurel Water Pollution Control Plant located at 1160 Tommy Purvis Road, Reynolds, Georgia 31076. Up to 0.12 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Horse Creek in the Flint River Basin.

Washington County

Thiele Kaolin Company, PO Box 1056, Sandersville, Georgia 31082 NPDES Permit No. GA0002453, for its Kaolin mining and processing facility located at 520 Kaolin Rd, Sandersville, Georgia, 31082 in Washington County. Approximately 15.573 MGD of Kaolin mining and processing water, pit pump-out, groundwater, and stormwater is discharged to Oconee River, an unnamed tributary to Buffalo Creek, an unnamed tributary to Panther Run, and Big Branch in the Oconee River Basin.

NPDES PERMIT TERMINATION

Fulton County

Argos Ready Mix, LLC - Red Oak Concrete Plant, 3015 Windward Plaza Suite 300, Alpharetta, Georgia 30005, NPDES Permit No. GA0001643, for its ready mix concrete facility located at 2625 Sullivan Road, College Park, Georgia 30337, in Fulton County. Argos USA has requested coverage under the Mining and Processing General Permit. NPDES Permit No. GA0001643 is no longer necessary.

Murray County

Carmeuse Lime & Stone, 103 Holly Street, Chatsworth, Georgia 30705, NPDES Permit No. GA0038121, for its Mining and processing of crushed stone facility located at 749 Highway 2 East, Cisco, GA 30708 in Murray County. The Carmeuse Lime & Stone – Cisco Operations facility has requested coverage under the General Mining permit no GAG300000. NPDES Permit No. GA0038121 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 NEW

Barrow County

Price Industries, 1290 Barrow Industrial Pkwy, Winder, GA 30680, Pretreatment Permit No. GAP050326, for its metal finishing facility located at 1290 Barrow Industrial Pkwy, Winder, Barrow County, Georgia 30680. A maximum of 0.025 MGD of pretreated metal finishing process wastewater, boiler blowdown, and plant & equipment washdown wastewater is discharged to the Tanner's Bridge Water Pollution Control Plant Sewerage System in the Oconee River Basin.

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INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PERMIT REISSUANCE

Bartow County

VMC Specialty Alloys LLC dba Vista Metals Georgia, 800 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, Adairsville, Georgia 30103, Permit No. GAP050296, for its recycled aluminum smelting facility located at 800 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, Adairsville, Bartow County, Georgia 30103. A maximum of 0.085 MGD of pretreated cooling tower blowdown from cast quenching operations and process wastewater from cast cleaning operations is discharged to the City of Adairsville's sewerage system in the Coosa River Basin.

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 MODIFICATION

Screven County

Town of Hiltonia, 140 2nd Avenue, Hiltonia, GA 30467, LAS Permit No. GAJ020033, for the Town of Hiltonia Water Pollution Control Plant located at Off Highway 24 North, Hiltonia, Georgia 30476. Up to 0.0468 MGD of treated wastewater is being land applied on a dedicated site in Screven County in the Savannah River Basin. The permit is being modified to correct flow monitoring and effluent sampling location.

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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 July 29, 2018. Please use the words "Public Notice No. 2018-12ML" 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 August 13, 2018. 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.