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**SUBJECT: Site Suitability Notice for
Lowndes County, Georgia - Georgia Petroleum Solidification Facility
Application for Solid Waste Handling Permit
GEOS Submittal ID - 479083**

Dear Mr. Crosby:

The Solid Waste Management Program of the Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has completed its review of the amended April 24, 2020 *Site Acceptability Study - Georgia Petroleum Solid Waste Processing Facility* prepared by Resolve Environmental Engineering, Inc.

Based on the data submitted in addition to your application, EPD has determined that the applicable siting standards can be met in accordance with Chapter 391-3-4-.05(1), provided the attached "Site Limitations" are met. This determination is based on information provided to date for EPD review and is subject to revision prior to permit issuance should errors be found in the submitted information or new information be provided relevant to this determination. This letter denotes only the demonstration of the ability to comply with siting standards for the proposed site and does not constitute approval to begin construction or operation of the solid waste handling facility. This letter does not constitute a permit for the proposed solid waste handling facility.

Before a permit may be issued for the proposed solid waste handling facility, a Design and Operational Plan (D&O Plan), prepared in accordance with Chapter 391-3-4-.09, must be submitted for consideration by the EPD.

Additionally, the appropriate governing authority must hold a public hearing regarding the proposed solid waste handling facility no less than two weeks prior to the issuance of any permit. At least 30 days prior to the public hearing, notices of the public hearing must be posted at the proposed site and advertised in the legal organ of the county or counties in which the proposed solid waste handling facility will be located. A transcript of the public hearing proceedings and a reaffirmation of zoning consistency must be submitted to EPD prior to a final decision regarding the issuance of a permit for the proposed solid waste handling facility.

After our review and evaluation of the D&O Plan, and the other required submittals, a Solid Waste Handling Permit will be either issued or denied. This Site Suitability Notice shall terminate upon a final decision to issue or deny the requested permit. Failure to submit to EPD an approvable Design and Operational Plan within one year from the date of this Notice may result in permit denial.

Sincerely,



Richard E. Dunn, Director
Environmental Protection Division

Attachment

Cc: Keith Stevens, William Cook; GA EPD (via email)
Lisa Myler, EPD Southwest District (via email)
Ian Lundberg, P.E. – Resolve Environmental Engineering, Inc.
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Site Limitations
Georgia Petroleum, Solidification Facility
Proposed Solid Waste Processing Facility

1. The area considered for acceptability includes the 5.15-acre parcels shown on the *Solid Waste Handling Permit Boundary* figure provided on January 11, 2021 by Resolve Environmental Engineering, Inc.
2. Solid waste handling operations shall not be conducted in any wetlands, as defined by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, unless evidence is provided to the Director, by the applicant, that use of such wetlands has been permitted or otherwise authorized under all other applicable state and federal law and rules. A statement certifying that wetlands will not be impacted as a result of construction activities at the site shall be submitted. This statement shall be signed and stamped by the professional engineer responsible for the Design and Operational Plan for the subject site. Wetland areas shall be delineated on the Design and Operational Plan.
3. The facility shall not restrict the flow of the 100-year flood, reduce the temporary water storage capacity of the floodplain, or result in a washout of solid waste or material so as to pose a hazard to human health and the environment.