PUBLIC NOTICE Notice of Intent to Renew Permit

The Environmental Protection Division (EPD) of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, in accordance with the Georgia Hazardous Waste Management Act, O.C.G.A. 12-8-60 et seq., as amended, announces its intent to renew Hazardous Waste Facility Permit No. HW-038(D) issued to Blue Bird Body Company for post-closure care and corrective action of a closed hazardous waste landfill. The landfill is owned by and located at Blue Bird Body Company, 402 Blue Bird Boulevard, Fort Valley, Georgia 31030-5088, identified by EPA ID number GAD98729974.

The draft permit requires Blue Bird to perform corrective action by removal and treatment of contaminated groundwater and to conduct post-closure care at the facility. NO ADDITIONAL DISPOSAL OF HAZARDOUS WASTES AT THE FACILITY WILL BE ALLOWED UNDER THIS PERMIT RENEWAL.

The State of Georgia received final authorization for the 1984 Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (HSWA) to the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended, on September 18, 1986. Therefore, upon issuance, the permit will constitute a full RCRA permit as required by the Georgia Hazardous Waste Management Act and RCRA.

The draft permit has been prepared in accordance with the Georgia Rules for Hazardous Waste Management, Chapter 391-3-11. Before finalizing its decision to renew the permit, Section 391-3-11-.01 (which incorporates 40 CFR 124.10 by reference) of the Rules requires EPD to provide an opportunity for public comment. Accordingly, a public comment period has been established from January 6, 2021 to February 22, 2021. During the public comment period, a copy of the draft permit and permit renewal application will be available for review at the following locations during regular business hours:

Georgia Environmental Protection Division
Land Protection Branch
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., SE
Suite 1054, East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334-0900
(404) 656-7802
Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (currently by appointment only)

Peach Public Libraries – Thomas Public Library 315 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive Fort Valley, Georgia 31030-4906 (478) 825-1640

The Environmental Protection Division invites comments or requests for a public hearing to be submitted in writing during the public comment period. Comments should be sent to EPD at the above address. All comments received February 22, 2021 will be considered in making the final decision regarding the permit renewal.

For additional information regarding the draft permit, the public participation process, or to request a public hearing, please contact Christopher Douglas at (404) 657-8654.