

**PUBLIC NOTICE
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION**

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 2015-12ML

JULY 31, 2015

I. NOTICE OF 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

CHEROKEE COUNTY

City of Woodstock, 12453 Highway 92, Woodstock, Georgia 30188, NPDES Permit No. GA0026263, for the Rubes Creek Water Reclamation Facility located at 228 Arnold Mill Road, Woodstock, Georgia 30188. 2.5 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Rubes Creek tributary to the Little River in the Coosa River Basin.

CLAY COUNTY

City of Fort Gaines, Post Office Box 251, Fort Gaines, Georgia 39851, NPDES Permit No. GA0026191, for the City of Fort Gaines Water Pollution Control Plant located at Troupe Street in Fort Gaines. 0.30 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Chattahoochee River in the Chattahoochee River Basin.

LIBERTY COUNTY

SNF Holding Company, Inc., P. O. Box 250, Riceboro, Georgia 31323, NPDES Permit No. GA0046582, for its facility located on One Chemical Plant Road. This organic polymer production facility discharges approximately 0.14 MGD of wastewater to Riceboro Creek in the Ogeechee River Basin.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

Kamin LLC, 530 Beck Boulevard, Sandersville, Georgia 31082, NPDES Permit No. GA0038717, for its kaolin mine pit pump outs associated with the facility located in Sandersville. Approximately 0.25 MGD of mine pit pump out is discharged to Reedy Creek, Fort Branch, Buffalo Creek, Deepstep Creek, Comfort Creek, Beaver Creek, Bluff Creek, Gumm Creek, and Dry Creek.

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PRETREATMENT PERMIT REISSUANCE

CHATHAM COUNTY

Owens Corning, 1 Foundation Drive, Savannah, Georgia 31408, Pretreatment Permit No. GAP050166, for its asphalt roofing manufacturing facility located at 1 Foundation Drive, Savannah, Georgia 31408. Pretreated process wastewater is discharged to the Garden City sewerage system in the Savannah River Basin.

NOTICE OF PROPOSAL FOR REISSUANCE OF A NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) GENERAL PERMIT FOR FILTER BACKWASH DISCHARGE INTO WATERS OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

GENERAL PERMIT REISSUANCE

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) is considering the reissuance of a General NPDES Permit, subject to specific pollutant Limitations and special conditions:

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) proposes to reissue NPDES general permit number GAG640000, for filter backwash discharges. The general permit authorizes filter backwash discharges from water treatment plants with sludge handling capability as defined in the Federal Regulations promulgated under the Federal Clean Water Act.

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II. LAND APPLICATION SYSTEM PERMIT REISSUANCE

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

BANKS COUNTY

Banks County Board of Commissioners, 150 Hudson Ridge, Suite 1 Homer, Georgia 30547, LAS Permit No. GAJ020181, for the Industrial Park Water Pollution Control Plant located at 443 Industrial Park Boulevard, in Commerce. 0.045 MGD of treated wastewater is land applied on a dedicated site in Banks County.

BURKE COUNTY

City of Keysville, Post Office Box 159, Keysville, Georgia 30816 LAS Permit No. GAJ020155, for its land application system located at Hepzibah-Keysville Road in Keysville. 0.04 MGD of treated wastewater is being land applied to a dedicated site in Burke County in the Savannah River Basin.

PERMIT MODIFICATION

WHITFIELD AND MURRAY COUNTIES

Dalton Utilities, 1200 V.D. Parrot, Jr. Parkway, Dalton, Georgia 30722, for LAS Permit No. GAJ020056, for its Riverbend land application system located at Riverbend Road in Dalton. 40.0 MGD of treated wastewater is being land applied to a site in Whitfield & Murray Counties in the Coosa River Basin. Parts 1.A.2.a. and II.A.12.b of the permit has been modified to require the permittee to install additional rain gages and to allow the calculation of a site specific Antecedent Precipitation Index (API) to gauge soil saturation. The permit further restricts land application under certain precipitation conditions.

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 **September 2, 2015**. Please use the words "**Public Notice No. 2015-12ML**" 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. 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

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additional information contact: Jeff Larson, Wastewater Regulatory Program, phone (404) 463-1511. Please bring this notice to the attention of interested persons.

NOTICE OF REVISED PERMIT, PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR A NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT TO DISCHARGE TREATED WASTEWATER INTO WATERS OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA.

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has received an application for the issuance of a new NPDES permit. Having reviewed such application, EPD proposes to issue for a maximum term of five years the following revised permit, subject to specific pollutant limitations and special conditions:

Georgia Power Company, 241 Ralph McGill Boulevard, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30308, Permit No. GA0001431, for its Plant McDonough-Atkinson power generation facility located at 5551 South Cobb Drive in Smyrna (Cobb County). Cooling tower blowdown, stormwater, and ash pond overflows are discharged to the Chattahoochee River.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations are invited to submit same in writing to the EPD address listed below, or via email at EPDcomments@dnr.state.ga.us, by September 17, 2015. If you choose to email your comments, please be sure to include the words "NPDES Permit Reissuance – Plant McDonough-Atkinson" 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.

A fact sheet or copy of the draft permit is available by writing the Environmental Protection Division. A copying charge of 10 cents per page will be assessed. The permit application, draft permit, comments received, and other information are available for review at 2 MLK, Jr. Drive, Suite 1152E, Atlanta, GA 30334, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For additional information contact: Audra Dickson, Wastewater Regulatory Program, phone (404) 463-4934 or e-mail audra.dickson@dnr.state.ga.us.

Public Hearing Information:

EPD will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p. m. on September 9, 2015. The hearing will be held at the [Georgia Association of Water Professionals](#) located at 1655 Enterprise Way Marietta, GA 30067. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive comments on the revised draft NPDES permit for Georgia Power Company Plant McDonough-Atkinson in Cobb County.

The public hearing is a formal process to receive comments on the revised draft permit. Participants who wish to comment for the record are requested to sign in upon arrival. Hearing participants will not be subject to questions from the audience, but may be questioned by the Hearing Officer for clarification of technical points or to develop a better understanding of statements. Questions asked by participants making statements will be answered by EPD in writing and posted to the EPD website at a later date. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature should be submitted in writing for the official record. During the hearing, oral statements shall be limited to three minutes to allow everyone an opportunity to be heard. Comments should be confined to water quality issues as they relate to the draft permit.