#### PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 2017-16ML

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# 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

## **Bartow County**

City of Cartersville, 1 North Erwin Street, Cartersville, Georgia, 30120, Permit No. GA0024091, for its Water Pollution Control Plant, located at 102 Walnut Grove Road, Cartersville, Georgia 30120 (Bartow County). Up to 15.0 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Etowah River in the Coosa River Basin.

## **Chatham County**

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

Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation, P.O. Box 2206, M/S D-02 Savannah, Georgia 31402 NPDES Permit No. GA0003255, for its corporate jet aircraft service, repair, and refurbishing facility located in Savannah, Chatham County, Georgia. Approximately 0.046 MGD of Noncontact cooling water, boiler blowdown, fire suppression test water, and stormwater is discharged to unnamed tributaries to Pipe Makers Canal and Pipe Makers Canal in the Savannah River Basin.

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## **Floyd County**

City of Rome, P.O. Box 1433, Rome, Georgia 30162, NPDES Permit No. GA0024112, for the Rome Water Reclamation Facility located at 212 Blacks Bluff Road, Rome, Georgia 30161. Up to 18.0 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Coosa River in the Coosa River Basin. The draft permit also contains provisions for the discharge of up to 25 MGD and 36 MGD of treated wastewater to the Coosa River during peak flows.

City of Rome, P.O. Box 1433, Rome, Georgia 30162, NPDES Permit No. GA0024341, for the Coosa Water Reclamation Facility located at 650 Ausburn Road, Rome, Georgia 30165. Up to 2.0 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Coosa River in the Coosa River Basin.

## **Harris County**

Callaway Gardens Resort, Inc., P.O. Box 2000, Pine Mountain, Georgia 31822, NPDES Permit No. GA0022527, for the Water Pollution Control Plant located in Pine Mountain, Georgia, 31822 (Harris County). Up to 0.5 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Mountain Creek in the Chattahoochee River Basin.

### **Jackson County**

City of Hoschton, 79 City Square, Jackson, GA 30548, NPDES Permit No. GA0035980, for the Water Pollution Control Plant located at 278 Nancy Industrial Drive, Jackson, GA 30548. Up to 0.10 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Sell Creek tributary to Indian Creek tributary to Mulberry River in the Oconee River Basin. The permit also contains provisions for an expansion of up to 0.50 MGD.

### **Jeff Davis County**

City of Hazlehurst, P.O. Box 519, Hazlehurst, Georgia 31539, NPDES Permit No. GA0036765, for the Bully Creek Water Pollution Control Plant located at Georgia Highway 135 North, Hazlehurst, GA 31539. Up to 1.5 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to the Ocmulgee River in the Ocmulgee River Basin.

## **Oconee County**

Star Thread Energy Partners – Barnett Shoals Hydroelectric Plant, 256 Hamilton Road Athens, Georgia 30606, NPDES Permit No. GA0004138, for its hydroelectric power generating facility located at Old Barnett Shoals Road in Watkinsville, Oconee County, Georgia 30677. A maximum of 0.0072 MGD of Units 1-4 Turbine Shaft Packing Leakage/Once Through Non-Contact Cooling Water is discharged to the Oconee River in the Oconee River Basin.

### **Toombs County**

City of Vidalia, Post Office Box 280, Vidalia, Georgia, 30475, NPDES Permit No. GA0025488 for the Swift Creek Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) located on 2505 Swift Creek Road, Vidalia, Georgia 30474. 1.88 MGD of treated wastewater is discharged into Swift Creek in the Altamaha River.

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## **Washington County**

Imerys Clays, Inc. – Buffalo China Operations, 618 Kaolin Road, Sandersville, Georgia 31082, NPDES Permit No. GA0002780, for its kaolin clay mining facility located in Sandersville, Washington County, Georgia. Approximately 1.72 MGD of process wastewater, pit pumpout and stormwater is discharged to unnamed tributary to Bluff Creek (001) and unnamed tributary to Panther Run (003) in the Oconee River Basin.

### **Wilkinson County**

Wilkinson County Middle/High School, P.O. Box 206, Irwinton, Georgia, 31042, NPDES Permit No. GA0031291, for the Water Pollution Control Plant located at 11481 Highway 57, Irwinton, Georgia, 31042 (Wilkinson County). Up to 0.022 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to an unnamed tributary to Helton Branch in the Oconee River Basin.

Wilkinson County Elementary School, P.O. Box 206, Irwinton, Georgia, 31042, NPDES Permit No. GA0031305, for the Water Pollution Control Plant located at 12516 Highway 57, Irwinton, Georgia, 31042 (Wilkinson County). Up to 0.021 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to Town Branch in the Oconee River Basin.

#### NPDES PERMIT MODIFICATION

### **Haralson County**

City of Tallapoosa, 25 E. Alabama Street, Tallapoosa, Georgia, 30176, NPDES Permit No. GA0020982 for the City of Tallapoosa Water Pollution Control Plant located at 4579 Georgia Highway 100, Tallapoosa, Georgia 30176. The permit is being modified to remove monitoring requirements for total recoverable mercury and associated language.

#### NPDES PERMIT TERMINATION

#### **Barrow County**

Martin Marietta Materials, Inc. 3325 Paddocks Parkway, Suite 350, Suwanee, Georgia 30024, NPDES Permit No. GA0037028, for its hard rock quarry facility located at 301 Parks Mill Road, Auburn, Georgia 30011, Barrow County. The Martin Marietta Materials, Inc. Auburn Quarry has requested coverage under the Mining and Processing General Permit. NPDES Permit No. GA0037028 is no longer necessary

## **Clayton County**

Kiewit Infrastructure South Company, 450 Dividend Drive, Peachtree City, Georgia 30269, NPDES Permit No. GA0050237, for its wastewater collection and treatment system located in Atlanta, Clayton County, Georgia. The facility has ceased discharging at this location. NPDES Permit No. GA0050237 is no longer necessary.

## **Cherokee County**

Bluegrass Materials Company, 2015 Ronald Reagan Blvd., Cumming, Georgia 30041, NPDES Permit No. GA0046701, for its Ball Ground Quarry located in Cumming, Cherokee County. The facility has requested to terminate NPDES Permit No. GA0046701 in order to obtain coverage under General Mining and Processing Permit No. GAG300022.

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## **Crisp County**

Sowega Swine Inc. 7777 Pinecliff Rd, Camilla, Georgia 31730, NPDES Permit No. GA0038253, for its swine farm located in Camilla, Crisp County, Georgia. The Sowega Swine facility has requested coverage under a LAS permit Permit No. GAG940000. NPDES Permit No. GA0038253 is no longer necessary.

## **Douglas County**

Vulcan Construction Materials, LLC, 800 Mount Vernon Highway Suite 200, Atlanta, Georgia 30328, NPDES Permit No. GA0000779, for its granite quarry facility located in Lithia Springs, Douglas County, Georgia. Vulcan Construction Materials LLC – Lithia Springs Quarry has requested coverage under the Mining and Processing General Permit. NPDES Permit No. GA0000779 is no longer necessary.

## **Oglethorpe County**

Dean Pierce Farm, 119 Simms Cross Road, Stephens, Georgia 30667, NPDES Permit No. GA0038229, for its swine farm located in Stephens, Oglethorpe County, Georgia. Dean Pierce Farm has closed its operation. NPDES Permit No. GA0038229 is no longer necessary

## INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PERMIT

#### **Cook County**

Blue Sky Biomass GA, LLC, 801 Cook Street Lenox, Georgia, 31637, Permit No. GAP050126, for its timber products processing facility located at 801 Cook Street Lenox, Cook County Georgia 31637. A maximum of 0.06 MGD of timber products process wastewater is to be discharged to the City of Adel sewerage system in the Suwanee River Basin

#### **Tattnall County**

Fries Farms, LLC – Tattnall Hatchery, GAP050320, for its chicken hatchery located at 444 P.M. Odum Road, Glennville, GA 30427. A maximum of 0.06 MGD of pretreated plant and equipment wash down wastewater is discharged to the Glennville Water Pollution Control Plant's sewerage system in the Altamaha River Basin.

#### 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.

## **Spalding County**

Community Services, L.L.P., 2292 Henderson Mill Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30040, LAS Permit No. GAJ030905, for the Troublesome Creek Water Reclamation Facility (WRF). 0.275 MGD is distributed to reuse customers or land applied on a dedicated site in Spalding County. The permit also includes effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for the expanded flow of 0.55 MGD.

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## **White County**

Georgia Department of Natural Resources, North Georgia Mountains Authority, 3280 McEver Road, Suite 106, Buford, Georgia, 30518, LAS Permit No. GAJ020066, for the Unicoi State Park Land Application System located at 1788 Highway 356, Helen, Georgia, 30545. Up to 0.075 MGD of treated wastewater is being land applied to a site in White County in the Chattahoochee River Basin.

#### INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PROGRAM

### **Stephens County**

In accordance with Chapter 391-3-6-.09, Rules and Regulations for Water Quality Control, notice is hereby given of approval by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division of changes to a local pretreatment program for the City of Toccoa covering Toccoa Creek WPCP (GA0021806) and Eastanollee Creek WPCP (GA0021814). The pretreatment program provides for the administration and enforcement of pretreatment standards for industrial users of the publicly owned treatment works.

### INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PROGRAM - MODIFICATION

### **Fayette**

Peachtree City Water and Sewerage Authority, 1127 Highway 74 South, Peachtree City, Georgia 30269 for substantial modifications to the industrial pretreatment program. The modification will serve to revise the local limits for the Rockaway Wastewater Treatment Facility and the Larry B. Turner Wastewater Treatment Facility.

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 **October 16, 2017**. Please use the words "**Public Notice No. 2017-16ML**" 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 that October 30, 2017. 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: Jeff Larson, Wastewater Regulatory Program, phone (404) 463-1511. Please bring this notice to the attention of interested persons.

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE OF PROPOSAL FOR REISSUANCE OF A NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) GENERAL PERMIT FOR DISCHARGES FROM SMALL MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEMS (MS4s) TO THE WATERS OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA.

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) is considering the reissuance of General NPDES Permit No. GAG610000 authorizing storm water discharges from Phase II small MS4s to the waters of the State of Georgia. Coverage under this permit will be achieved by submittal of a Notice of Intent (NOI). A stormwater management program summarizing the procedures to be used by the permittee to reduce pollutants to the maximum extent practicable will be submitted by each permittee.

The proposed NPDES permit will authorize the discharge of stormwater from the MS4s to waters of the State. The NPDES permit will be valid for a maximum period of five years. The draft permit and other information are available for review on the EPD website under epd.georgia.gov/storm-water or by writing EPD. The draft permit and other information also are available for review at:

Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Environmental Protection Division
Watershed Protection Branch
NonPoint Source Program
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Suite 1152 East
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

The materials are available between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (except official State holidays).

Persons wishing to comment on the proposed permit are invited to submit their comments in writing to the EPD address above by close of business on October 16, 2017. All comments received before or on that date will be considered in the formulation of final determinations for this permit. "Draft NPDES Permit GAG610000" should be placed at the top of the first page of comments.

Comments may also be e-mailed to EPDComments@dnr.ga.gov. If you choose to e-mail your comments, please be sure to include the words "Draft NPDES Permit GAG610000" in the subject line to ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff.

A public meeting has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on October 16, 2017, at EPD's Training Room at 4244 International Parkway, Suite 114, Atlanta, Georgia 30354. A public hearing will be held at 10:00 a.m. at the same location, following the public meeting. The purpose of the public hearing will be to present and receive formal comments on the proposed permit for the official record. Additional information regarding public hearing procedures is available by writing EPD.

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Participants at the public hearing will be requested to register upon arrival if they intend to give oral or written statements. At the public hearing, anyone may present data, make a statement, or comment, either orally or in writing. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to five minutes in order to allow everyone an opportunity to be heard. Lengthy or technically complex statements should also be submitted in writing for the official record.

For additional information contact: Anna Truszczynski, Unit Manager, Stormwater Unit, NonPoint Source Program, at 404/651-8548. Please bring this to the attention of persons who you know will be interested in the matte

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### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice of Application for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit to Discharge Treated Wastewater Into Waters of the State of Georgia.

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

Georgia Power Company – Plant McManus, 241 Ralph McGill Blvd NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30308, NPDES Permit No. GA0003794, for its steam electric power generating facility located at One Crispin Island, Brunswick, Georgia 31523, Glynn County. Approximately 2.88 MGD of treated low volume wastes and ash transport water commingled with stormwater is discharged to Burnett Creek in the Satilla River Basin.

EPD will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on November 07, 2017. The hearing will be held at the Brunswick High School Auditorium located at 3885 Altama Ave., Brunswick, Georgia 31520. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive comments on the draft NPDES permit for Georgia Power Company – Plant McManus.

The public hearing is a formal process to receive comments on the 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 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 (3) minutes to allow everyone an opportunity to be heard. Comments should be confined to water quality issues.

Written comments are welcomed. To ensure their consideration, written comments should be received by close of business on **November 10, 2017**. Please address written comments to the address listed below, or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:EPDcomments@dnr.ga.gov">EPDcomments@dnr.ga.gov</a>. If you choose to e-mail your comments, please be sure to include words "NPDES Permit Issuance – Georgia Power Company – Plant McManus" in the subject line to ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff. A fact sheet or copy of the draft permit is 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. Drive, Suite 1152E, Atlanta, GA 30334, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Please bring this notice to the attention of interested persons.