

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY SUBMITS  
HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT PERMIT RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR  
HOLSTON ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT**

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) received Part A and Part B hazardous waste management permit applications from the U.S. Department of the Army on October 27, 2020, for renewal of Holston Army Ammunition Plant's current hazardous waste permit (TNHW-148). This facility (EPA ID TN5210020421) is located in Hawkins and Sullivan Counties at 4509 West Stone Drive, Kingsport, TN 37660 (see map). The co-operator, BAE Systems, Ordnance Systems Inc, manages the hazardous waste for this facility

Prior to submitting the renewal application on October 27, 2020, the facility held a Pre-Application Public Meeting on September 24, 2020, with a public notice issued on August 26, 2020, as required by Tennessee Rule 0400-12-01-.07(1)(m). The public will have another opportunity to comment when DSWM completes its review.

The current permit, TNHW-148, allows the facility to treat a maximum quantity of 5,000 pounds per day by open burning of hazardous waste that have explosive characteristics of reactivity. The renewal application proposes to continue with the same operations and capacity.

The current permit, TNHW-148, was issued on March 31, 2011. The facility was to submit their Part B renewal application at least 180 days before the current permit was set to expire. On September 24, 2020, the facility requested a 30-day extension to submit the renewal application. The request was approved on September 29, 2020.

Tennessee Hazardous Waste Management Regulations allow the facility to continue to operate under the current permit until another permit is issued or denied. If renewed, the permit will allow the facility to continue to operate and maintain the hazardous waste operations for an additional ten years.

As set forth in the Regulations, a complete permit application, consisting of a Part A and a Part B, must include certain text, drawings, and other information adequate to demonstrate that the facility will fully comply with the various technical and administrative standards applicable to such a facility. Evaluation of the renewal application involves an in-depth review of the application materials by DSWM staff, with support from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 4, and subsequent correspondence between DSWM and the facility, identifying and correcting any deficiencies in the submitted information.

Once it determines the application is complete, DSWM will make a tentative decision to either grant or deny the permit and issue either a draft permit or a notice of intent to deny the permit. Public Notice will be given of this tentative decision, and the public will have at least 45 days to submit written comments on the draft permit/proposed action. A public hearing, if requested, may also be held to receive public comments within this public comment period. After considering the public comments received and making any appropriate revisions, the DSWM director will issue a final permit decision to either issue a final permit or terminate the existing permit. A [Response to Comments](#) will also be issued at that time.

Electronic copies of the application are available online at [tn.gov/environment/notices/holston-receipt](https://tn.gov/environment/notices/holston-receipt) and at the DSWM Central Office on the 14th Floor of the Tennessee Tower, 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, Nashville, TN 37243 (615-532-0780) and at DSWM's Johnson City Environmental Field Office, 2305

Silverdale Road, Johnson City, TN 37601-2162 (423- 854-5400). Copies are available for review at the Kingsport Public Library, 400 Broad Street, Kingsport, TN 37660 (423-220-9489) and at the Mt. Carmel Public Library, 100 1/2 Main Street, Mt. Carmel TN 37645 (423-357-4011).

Further information on this matter may be obtained by contacting Ms. Amy Crawford, Environmental Affairs Specialist, BAE Systems, (423-578-6417), [Amy.Crawford@baesystems.com](mailto:Amy.Crawford@baesystems.com); Information, opinions, and inquiries may also be directed to Mr. Al Frakes, DSWM, TN Tower, 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, Nashville, TN 37243, (615-532-0855), email [Albert.Frakes@tn.gov](mailto:Albert.Frakes@tn.gov), or to Mr. Robert Nakamoto, DSWM, TN Tower, 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, Nashville, TN 37243, (615-532-0868), email [Robert.Nakamoto@tn.gov](mailto:Robert.Nakamoto@tn.gov).

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