

## **NOTICE OF INTENT TO REISSUE A HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT STORAGE PERMIT TO EASTMAN CHEMICAL COMPANY**

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation's (TDEC) Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) has tentatively decided to reissue a hazardous waste storage permit to Eastman Chemical Company (Eastman). Eastman (EPA ID No. TND003376928) is located on Eastman Road in Kingsport, Sullivan County, Tennessee 37662. TDEC invites the public to submit comments on this proposal during a 45-day comment period ending on **Monday, March 29, 2021**.

The current permit, TNHW-137, was issued September 15, 2008, and was effective for ten years. Eastman's submittal of the renewal application on March 22, 2018, at least six months prior to the expiration date, allows continued operations under the existing permit pending a final decision being made on the application. DSWM published a public notice announcing receipt of the renewal application in the Kingsport Times-News on June 19, 2018. Eastman held a pre-application meeting on March 6, 2018, prior to submitting the renewal application, as announced in a public notice published on February 2, 2018, in the Kingsport Times-News. No oral or written comments were received.

The current storage permit, TNHW-137, allows the facility to store a maximum quantity of 67,900 gallons of hazardous waste in containers in six storage areas (Buildings 248, 259, and 285) and 79,800 gallons of hazardous waste in four tanks at Building 248. The renewed permit maintains the same container storage capacity but reduces the tank storage capacity to 78,204 gallons. The conditions for corrective action of solid waste management units and areas of concern at Eastman are addressed in a separate hazardous waste permit TNHW-155. The conditions for both permits will require notification of imminent hazards and, when applicable, compliance with the requirements developed under land disposal restrictions and organic emission standards.

Based on review of the application and as authorized pursuant to Tennessee Rule 0400-12-01-07.(7), DSWM has determined the application to be complete and has prepared a draft permit. DSWM proposes to issue the permit under the authority of the Tennessee Hazardous Waste Management Act of 1977, as amended, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-212-101 et seq., and Rule Chapter 0400-12-01, Hazardous Waste Management. In accordance with Rule 0400-12-01-.07(7)(e), this notice requires a 45-day comment period, beginning on the date of this publication. A fact sheet has been prepared that provides additional information about the site and the proposed permit. Pending consideration of any contrary information received, it is the present intent of DSWM to issue this permit. If issued, the permit would be effective for ten years.

Electronic copies of the draft permit, including the fact sheet, are available online at [tn.gov/environment/notices/eastman-intent](http://tn.gov/environment/notices/eastman-intent) and at the DSWM Central Office, 312 Rosa L Parks Ave, 14th Floor, Nashville TN 37243 (615-532-0780). Paper Copies available by request at the Johnson City Environmental Field Office, Public Access Area, 2305 Silverdale Road, Johnson City, TN 37601 (423-854-5400).

To comment on the proposed storage permit renewal or to request a public hearing, contact Mr. John Webb; Division of Solid Waste Management; TDEC; 2305 Silverdale Road, Johnson City, Tennessee 37601 (423-854-5465), email [John.C.Webb@tn.gov](mailto:John.C.Webb@tn.gov) or fax 423-854-5401. **Comments must be received by 4:30 p.m. CDT, Monday, March 29, 2021, to assure consideration.** A request for a hearing requires a significant degree of public interest. The request must be made in writing, including the contact information of the requestor, and must state the nature of the issues to be raised at the hearing.

After considering all comments, DSWM will make a final decision to either issue or deny the permit. Notice will be given to the applicant and each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice of the final decision. At the time of a final permit decision, a Response to Comments addressing all significant input received on the draft permit will be made available to the public. The final decision shall become effective upon signing by the Director of DSWM.

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