

RHEA COUNTY LANDFILL PLANS LATERAL EXPANSION

Rhea County has applied to the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) for a solid waste disposal facility permit modification to construct and operate a lateral expansion of the existing Rhea County Landfill (SNL720000269). The facility is located in Rhea County, at 207 Sanitary Drive, Dayton, Tennessee (latitude 35.559600° N/longitude -84.911665° W). The waste materials to be accepted are classified as domestic wastes, commercial wastes, institutional wastes, municipal solid wastes, bulky wastes, landscaping and land clearing wastes, industrial wastes, construction/demolition wastes, farming wastes, shredded automotive tires, dead animals, special wastes, and/or certain wastes having similar characteristics and approved in writing by TDEC.

Under State law, the applicant must obtain a modification of the existing permit before constructing or operating the proposed facility expansion. DSWM has received a Part I Permit Application indicating Rhea County's desire to obtain the required major permit modification.

A complete permit application consists of both a Part I and a Part II, as described in Regulations Governing Solid Waste Processing and Disposal Facilities in Tennessee, Rule 0400-11-01-.02(3)(c). When the facility submits the complete Part II application, DSWM will do an in-depth review to determine if the application meets the technical standards of the Regulations described in Tennessee Rule 0400-11-01-.04(9), Solid Waste Processing and Disposal. Once the technical review is completed, DSWM will make a tentative decision to either grant or to deny the permit and will issue a public notice. This second notice will provide the public at least 45 days to submit written comments on the proposed action. If there is a significant degree of public interest, DSWM will schedule a public hearing and give at least 15 days' notice. (A public hearing may be announced in the second notice if DSWM is already aware of significant public interest.) After considering all comments received, the DSWM Director shall issue a final permit decision and a response to comments.

For further information on this matter, contact the DSWM at the TDEC Chattanooga Environmental Field Office, 1301 Riverfront Parkway, Suite #206, Chattanooga, TN 37402 (423-634-5745), or Mr. Ron E. Vail, Executive Vice President of Engineering, Santek Waste Services, 650 25th Street N.W. Suite 100, Cleveland, TN 37311 (423-303-7101).

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