

HAZARDOUS WASTE POST CLOSURE CARE PERMIT ISSUED TO TESTAMERICA LABORATORIES INC.

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) has issued a hazardous waste management post closure permit to TestAmerica Laboratories, Inc. for the closed hazardous waste landfill in Knoxville, Tennessee. The facility (EPA ID TND054692967) is located in Knox County at 5815 Middlebrook Pike, Knoxville, Tennessee 37921. This decision follows a 45-day public comment period on the draft permit that ended on September 5, 2024. A [Response to Comments](#) has been issued to identify minor changes made to finalize the permit. No comments were received from the public during the comment period and no citizens attended the public hearing held on August 29, 2024.

The renewal permit (TNHW-195, formerly TNHW-159) allows TestAmerica Laboratories, Inc to continue to provide post closure care for the closed hazardous waste landfill, including providing site security, performing groundwater monitoring, remedial action, and maintaining institutional controls, such as restrictions on digging and use of groundwater. TestAmerica Laboratories, Inc will provide notification of any newly discovered release to the environment and maintain financial assurance with the DSWM in an amount that meets the cost of providing post closure care.

The permit is issued 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. The permit is effective as of September 20, 2024 and shall remain in effect until September 20, 2034, unless continued, revoked and reissued, or terminated under applicable regulations.

Electronic copies of the permit, including the [Response to Comments](#) document, are available online at tn.gov/environment/notices/testamerica-final and at the DSWM Central Office located on the 7th Floor of the Davey Crocket Tower, 500 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, TN 37243-1535 (615-532-0780). Paper copies of the permit are available for public inspection at the Bearden Branch Public Library, 100 Golf Club Road, Knoxville, TN, 37919 and at the TDEC Knoxville Environmental Field Office, 3711 Middlebrook Pike, Knoxville, TN 37921 (865-594-6035).

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If you would like to receive notices like this directly, contact the Public Participation Officer in DSWM's Central Office for a Mailing List Request form. Email Solid.Waste@tn.gov or call 615-532-0963.

RIGHTS OF APPEAL

The administrative and judicial review of this final permit is pursuant under the Tennessee Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, T.C.A. Sections 4-5-317 and 4-5-222 and the Hazardous Waste Management Act, T.C.A. 68-212-113 and Tennessee Rule 0400-12-01-.07(7)(k).

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