

VELSICOL CHEMICAL LLC SUBMITS RCRA HAZARDOUS WASTE CORRECTIVE ACTION PERMIT RENEWAL APPLICATION

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) received a Part A and Part B hazardous waste management permit application from Velsicol Chemical LLC (Velsicol) for the renewal of the current RCRA Corrective Action permit (TNHW-158). This facility (EPA ID TND007024664) is located in Shelby County at 1199 Warford Street, Memphis, TN 38108 (see map).

The current permit, TNHW-158, was issued on September 30, 2014, and effective for ten (10) years. Because the facility submitted their Part B renewal application at least 180 days before the current permit was set to expire, 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 for an additional ten years.

The current permit, TNHW-158, is only for corrective action of solid waste management units (SWMUs) and areas of concern (AOCs). There are no post closure units on the site. The current permit includes the corrective action conditions for the SWMUs and AOCs. Velsicol is required to investigate any release of hazardous waste or hazardous constituents at the facility, regardless of the time at which waste was placed in a unit, and to take appropriate corrective action for any such release.

Velsicol published a public notice on February 22, 2024, advising that Velsicol would hold a pre-application public meeting on March 21, 2024, as required by Tennessee Rule 0400-12-01-.07(1)(m). The purpose of the meeting was to provide information, answer questions, and receive comments concerning the permit reissuance. There were 24 attendees from the public included on the sign in sheet from the March 21, 2024 meeting. Fourteen written comments were received during the comment period. The public will have another opportunity to comment when DSWM completes its review.

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 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 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/velsicol-nor and at the DSWM Central Office on the 7th Floor of the Davy Crockett Tower, 500 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, TN 37243 (615-532-0780). Paper copies are available for review at the DSWM's Memphis Environmental Field Office, 8383 Wolf Lake Drive, Bartlett, TN 38133 (901-371-3000);

Further information on this matter may be obtained by contacting Mr. George Harvell, Velsicol Chemical LLC, at 1199 Warford Street, Memphis Tennessee 38108 or by phone at (901) 323-6180. Information, opinions, and inquiries may be directed to Ms. Beverly Philpot, Hazardous Waste Program Manager, in DSWM's Central Office throughout the permit review process at the Davy Crockett Tower, 500 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, TN 37243, by phone at 615-795-1188, fax 615-532-0938, or email at Beverly.Philpot@tn.gov.

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