

**FORMER BLUE RIDGE TALC COMPANY INC.  
VAD 003124625**

**Public Notice**

**DATE OF THIS NOTICE:** April 22, 2016

**PURPOSE OF THIS NOTICE:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing its proposed decision that Corrective Action is Complete with Controls under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended (RCRA), for the former Blue Ridge Talc Company, Inc. Facility (Facility).

**FACILITY DESCRIPTION:** In 2002, the Facility was shut down and the Kitson Family (owners) eventually sold the production area to Blue Ridge Solvents and Coatings, Inc. in 2003. The Kitson family retained ownership of two parcels: the ‘Dry Color’ building and associated 8.3 acres of land, and the Mill Building and associated 2 acres of land. The ‘Dry Color’ building is still referred to as the Blue Ridge Talc property. In 2014, the Mill Building and the two acres of land were put up for auction by Henry County due to unpaid taxes. It was sold to Mr. Harry Prillaman in 2015.

Blue Ridge Solvents and Coatings, Inc. currently manufactures industrial chemicals, paints, lacquers, thinners, and powder coatings at the Facility. It also is a supplier of water treatment chemicals, and a solvent reclamation processor. In its operations, Blue Ridge Solvents and Coatings, Inc. uses a variety of tank storage, mixing, and solvent recovery equipment.

**INFORMATION AVAILABILITY:** Information regarding EPA’s proposed decision is available on EPA’s website at <http://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/epa-virginia>. The Administrative Record, which contains all the information considered in EPA’s proposed decision, is available at U.S. EPA Region 3, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA. 19103. Office hours are: Mon-Fri, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM. For additional information, contact Michael Jacobi, Project Manager, at Mail Code: 3LC20, at EPA Region 3’s address listed above; Phone: 215-814-3435; Fax: 215-814-3113, or Email: [jacobi.mike@epa.gov](mailto:jacobi.mike@epa.gov).

**COMMENT PROCESS:** Persons wishing to comment on EPA’s proposed decision must submit comments to EPA within the 30 day comment period ending May 23, 2016. Interested persons may also request a public hearing on this proposed remedy. All comments and/or requests for a hearing must be submitted in writing via mail, fax, or email to the EPA Project Manager, Michael Jacobi, as listed above, and must be received by May 23, 2016. All comments will be considered in making a final decision.

**FINAL DECISION:** EPA will make a final decision after considering all comments, consistent with applicable RCRA requirements and regulations. If the decision is substantially unchanged from the one in this notice, EPA will issue a final decision and inform all persons who submitted written comments or requested notice of EPA’s final determination. If the final decision is significantly different from the one proposed, EPA will issue a public notice explaining the new decision and will reopen the comment period.