

# **Dow/Rohm and Haas Bristol Facility - Ammonium Sulfate Area, Bristol, PA**

## **Public Notice**

**DATE OF THIS NOTICE:** November 23, 2016

**PURPOSE OF THIS NOTICE:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing its proposed decision that land use restrictions and monitoring/control of contaminated groundwater are required under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended (RCRA), for the Ammonium Sulfate Area (AS Area) of the Dow/Rohm and Haas Bristol Facility.

**FACILITY DESCRIPTION:** The Facility is located 200 Route 413, Bristol, PA. The AS Area was used for the disposal of liquid ammonium sulfate waste from the chemical manufacturing process from 1951 until 1970. Residual contamination remains in the deep groundwater beneath the AS Area. Potential human and environmental receptors are not currently impacted by the contamination.

**INFORMATION AVAILABILITY:** Information regarding EPA's proposed decision (Statement of Basis) is available on EPA's website at <https://www.epa.gov/pa/epa-public-notices-pennsylvania>. The Statement of Basis describes the environmental conditions at the AS Area and documents the basis for EPA's proposed decision.

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 Maureen Essenthier, Project Manager, at Mail Code: 3LC30, at EPA Region 3's address listed above; Phone: 215-814-3416; Fax: 215-814-3113, or Email: [essenthier.maureen@epa.gov](mailto:essenthier.maureen@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 December 23, 2016. EPA intends to hold a public meeting to describe the proposed decision. EPA will provide details on the time and place of the meeting, when they are finalized, on EPA's website at <https://www.epa.gov/pa/epa-meetings-and-events-pennsylvania>. Persons wishing direct notification of the meeting details may contact the EPA Project Manager, Maureen Essenthier, as listed above.

All comments must be submitted in writing via mail, fax, or email to the EPA Project Manager, Maureen Essenthier, as listed above, and must be received by December 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.