EASTMAN SPECIALTIES CORPORATION FACILITY MDD 001890060

Public Notice

DATE OF THIS NOTICE: April 13, 2017

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 Eastman Specialties Corporation Facility (Facility).

FACILITY DESCRIPTION: The Eastman Specialties Facility is owned and operated by Eastman Specialties Corporation and located at 10380 Worton Road Chestertown, MD. The Facility is located in the northern part of Chestertown on approximately 30 acres. Lehigh Chemical Company originally began operating on this property in 1959. Eastman Specialties Corporation purchased the property in 2011 and began its specialty esters production.

INFORMATION AVAILABILITY: Information regarding EPA's proposed decision is available on EPA's website at https://www.epa.gov/hwcorrectiveaction/hazardous-waste-cleanup-eastmen-specialities-corp-chestertown-md 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 John Hopkins, Project Manager, at Mail Code: 3LC10, at EPA Region 3's address listed above; Phone: 215-814-3437; Fax: 215-814-3113, or Email: hopkins.john@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 13, 2017. 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, John Hopkins, as listed above, and must be received by May 13, 2017. 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.