

# Global Advanced Metals - Boyertown PA

## Public Notice

**DATE OF THIS NOTICE:** August 29, 2017

**PURPOSE OF THIS NOTICE:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing its proposed remedy of the implementation of engineering and institutional controls under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended (RCRA), for the Global Advanced Metals facility (Facility).

**FACILITY DESCRIPTION:** The 288-acre Facility is located at 650 County Line Road, Boyertown PA 19512. The Facility was constructed during the late 1940s and early 1950s. The Kawecki Chemical Company began operations at the Facility in 1950 as a manufacturer of chemical compounds used in the aluminum industry. In 1978 the Facility was purchased by Cabot Corporation, a manufacturer of specialty metals, primarily tantalum and niobium products. In 2012, Global Advanced Metals purchased the Facility, where it continues to refine tantalum ore and manufacture tantalum products.

**INFORMATION AVAILABILITY:** Information regarding EPA's proposed remedy is available on EPA's website <https://www.epa.gov/pa/epa-public-notice-pennsylvania>. The Administrative Record, which contains all the information considered in EPA's proposed remedy, 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 Griff Miller, Project Manager, at Mail Code: 3LC20, at EPA Region 3's address listed above; Phone: 215-814-3407; Fax: 215-814-3113, or Email: [miller.griff@epa.gov](mailto:miller.griff@epa.gov).

**COMMENT PROCESS:** Persons wishing to comment on EPA's proposed remedy must submit comments to EPA within the 30-day comment period ending September 28, 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, Mr. Miller, as listed above, and must be received prior to September 28, 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 remedy 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 remedy is significantly different from the one proposed, EPA will issue a public notice explaining the new remedy and will reopen the comment period.