

**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – Mid-Atlantic Region
Ground Water & Enforcement Branch (3WP22)
1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103
EnerVest Operating, LLC
Permit Nos. VAS2D950BBUC, VAS2D957BDIC
Public Comments will be accepted until June 15, 2018**

NOTICE:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Mid-Atlantic Region (EPA) plans to renew two Underground Injection Control (UIC) Class II-D permits issued to EnerVest Operating, LLC (EnerVest) for disposal of fluids from their company's oil and gas operations. These actions are being taken pursuant to the Federal UIC regulations at 40 C.F.R. Parts 124, 144, 146, and 147.

NEED and DESCRIPTION:

EnerVest submitted applications for the renewal of two UIC Class II disposal injection well permits, to be used for the injection of fluids produced in association with EnerVest's oil and gas operations. The injection wells are located in the Nora Field in Buchanan County (VAS2D950BBUC) and Dickenson County (VAS2D957BDIC), Virginia. The draft permits will allow EnerVest to operate two wells which will inject produced fluids from oil and gas operations into the Weir Formation at depths of 4,354 feet (VAS2D950BBUC) and 4,542 feet (VAS2D957BDIC). A permit is required to meet the provisions of the EPA-administered UIC Program in Virginia.

OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT:

EPA requests public comment on its findings that the proposed injection activity under each of the two draft permits are unlikely to pose a risk to underground sources of drinking water. Please mail public comments on the draft UIC permit VAS2D950BBUC (Buchanan County) to the attention of Jeremy Dearden at the address listed above or email comments to dearden.jeremy@epa.gov. Please mail public comments on the draft UIC permit VAS2D957BDIC (Dickenson County) to Jill Branby at the address listed above, or e-mail comments to branby.jill@epa.gov. You must mail or email any public comments by **June 15, 2018**. ***A public hearing has been tentatively scheduled for June 28, 2018 at 5:00PM at the Dickenson County Judicial Center located at 119 Courthouse Lane, Clintwood, Virginia 24228. Requests to hold a public hearing must be received in writing by EPA by June 15, 2018.*** When requesting a public hearing, please state the nature of the issues you propose to raise, and the specific permit to which the issue applies. EPA expressly reserves the right not to hold a hearing unless a significant degree of public interest on the proposed permits is evidenced by June 15, 2018.

AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION:

The Administrative Record for each draft permit is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the offices of U.S. EPA Mid-Atlantic Region, at the address shown above. All information submitted by the applicant in support of each draft permit, unless deemed confidential, is included in the Administrative Record for the permit and is available to the public for review. Copies of permit applications, draft permits, and statement of basis, and administrative record indexes are available for review and inspection at the Jonnie B. Deel Memorial Library located at 198 Chase Street, Clintwood, Virginia 24228. Copies of the draft permits, statement of basis, and administrative indexes are available online at <https://www.epa.gov/va/epa-public-notice-virginia>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Interested persons may obtain further information by contacting Jeremy Dearden or Jill Branby at the email or physical address listed above or by phone at 215-814-5351 (Dearden) or 215-814-5466 (Branby).