

# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III

### FINAL DECISION AND RESPONSE TO COMMENTS

## NATIONAL STANDARD, LLC MOUNT JOY WIRE IMPOUNDMENT

1000 EAST MAIN STREET MOUNT JOY, PENNSYLVANIA

EPA ID NO. PAR 000 514 182

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#### I. FINAL DECISION

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has determined that the actions described in this section will be the Final Remedy required for the National Standard LLC Mount Joy Wire Impoundment facility, located at 1000 East Main Street, Mount Joy, PA (National Standard Impoundment or Facility). This determination is based on the findings as detailed in the Statement of Basis (attached).

- 1. National Standard LLC shall continue to comply with the terms and conditions of the Post Closure Permit, Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) Solid Waste Permit No. PAR 000 514 182, including:
  - a. Maintenance of the impoundment cap and groundwater monitoring system; and
  - b. Operation of the groundwater abatement system to maintain compliance with ACL/background groundwater standards at the downgradient monitoring wells.
- 2. National Standard LLC shall implement land and groundwater use restrictions to prevent human exposure to contaminants or damage to the cap at the Facility through an Environmental Covenant pursuant to the Pennsylvania Uniform Environmental Covenants Act, 27 Pa. C.S. Sections 6501-6517, (UECA) to be recorded with the deed for the Facility property. The following restrictions shall apply to the Facility:
  - a The Facility shall not be used for residential purposes;
  - b Groundwater at the Facility shall not be used for any purpose, including but not limited to use as a potable water source, other than to:
    - a. operate the groundwater abatement system, including beneficial reuse of extracted groundwater as process water at Mount Joy Wire Corporation; and,
    - b. to conduct the maintenance and monitoring activities required by PADEP and/or EPA;
  - c No new wells will be installed at the Facility unless it is demonstrated to PADEP that such wells are necessary to perform post closure activities and PADEP provides prior written approval to install such wells;
  - d The Facility shall not be used in any way that will adversely affect or interfere with the integrity and protectiveness of the impoundment cap, the groundwater monitoring system, or the groundwater abatement system; unless it is demonstrated to EPA that such use will not pose a threat to human health or the environment and EPA provides prior written approval for such disturbance; and
  - e All earth moving activities at the Facility, including excavation, drilling and construction activities, shall be conducted in a manner such that the activity will not pose a threat to human health and the environment or adversely affect or interfere with requirements of the Post Closure Permit. No such activities shall take place at the Facility unless PADEP provides prior written approval.

#### II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

EPA issued a Statement of Basis in which it announced its proposed decision of "Corrective Action Complete with Controls" for the Facility. Consistent with public participation provisions under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), EPA requested comments from the public on the proposed decision. The commencement of a 45-day public comment period was announced in the *Lancaster News* newspaper on August 11, 2016 and on the EPA Region III website. The public comment period ended on September 26, 2016.

EPA received no comments on the proposed decision. Consequently, the Final Remedy is unchanged from that proposed in the Statement of Basis.

#### IV. AUTHORITY

EPA is issuing this Final Decision under the authority of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by RCRA, and the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (HSWA) of 1984, 42 U.S.C. Sections 6901 to 6992k.

#### V. DECLARATION

Based on the Administrative Record compiled for the Corrective Action at the Facility, EPA has determined that the Final Remedy selected in this Final Decision and Response to Comments is protective of human health and the environment.

Attachment: Statement of Basis, National Standard LLC Mount Joy Wire Impoundment, August 10, 2016

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