## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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Public Notice Start Date: March 5, 2018 MDEQ Contact: Bradley Justice

Deadline for Comment: April 10, 2018

Please take note that the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality ("Commission") is considering proposed revisions to Title 11 Miss. Admin. Code, Part 3, Chapter 1, Mississippi Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (regulations) as authorized by Section 17-17-27, Mississippi Code of 1972. Interested members of the public are invited to offer comments on the proposed revisions. The Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 to receive comments on the revisions to to the regulations. The public hearing will be held at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room (Room 104A) at the offices of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, 515 East Amite Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39201.

The proposed revisions will adopt the Hazardous Waste Generator Improvement Rule as published in final form in Federal Register notice 81 FR 85732, November 28, 2016, effective May 30, 2017. The Hazardous Waste Generator Improvements rule reorganizes the hazardous waste generator regulations to make them more user friendly and to provide a better understanding of how the RCRA hazardous waste generator regulatory program works; addresses gaps in the existing regulations to strengthen environmental protection; provides flexibility to generators to manage hazardous waste in a cost-effective and protective manner, and makes technical corrections and conforming changes to address inadvertent errors and obsolete references.

An electronic version of the proposed regulations and link to the Hazardous Waste Generator Improvement Rule EPA website are available at the MDEQ website: <a href="http://www.mdeq.ms.gov/about-mdeq/public-notices-and-hearings/">http://www.mdeq.ms.gov/about-mdeq/public-notices-and-hearings/</a>. In addition, the proposed revisions to the regulations are also available for review and copying by contacting Mr. Lorenzo Boddie at (601) 961-5171 at the offices of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality located at 515 East Amite Street, Jackson, Mississippi, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday until 5:00 p.m., April 10, 2018.

Members of the public are invited to present verbal or written comments on the substance of the proposed revisions to the regulations at the public hearing described above. In addition, written comments regarding the proposed revisions may also be submitted to MDEQ if received by 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. Such written comments may be submitted to the MDEQ's physical address described above or by mail to: Mr. Bradley Justice, Hazardous Waste Program, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 2261, Jackson, MS 39225-2261 or by email to <u>bjustice@mdeq.ms.gov</u>.

The Commission's decision on the proposed revisions to the regulations will be made after a thorough consideration of all public comments. The revised regulations would become effective after the final approval of the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality.