MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC NOTICE START DATE: MARCH 7, 2022 DEADLINE FOR COMMENTS: APRIL 6, 2022

- I. Notice of Public Hearing: The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) will hold a public hearing to receive comments regarding the proposed Title V program fee for September 1, 2022, through August 31, 2023, to be established by Order of the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality (Commission). The public hearing will be held on Wednesday, April 6, 2022, at 1:30 PM, in Room 104A at MDEQ, 515 Amite Street in Jackson, MS.
- II. Substance of the Proposed Actions: The owner or operator of any source subject to Mississippi's Title V program is required to pay MDEQ an annual fee. The Commission establishes a fee schedule, used to calculate source fees, each year that is sufficient to cover the cost of operating the Title V program. On Thursday, February 24, 2022, the Commission authorized staff to proceed to notice of public hearing with a fee schedule of \$46 per ton of regulated air pollutants and a minimum fee of \$250, which is based on the annual report and recommendation of the Title V Advisory Council and staff's concurrence.
- III. Manner by which the Public May Comment: Written statements regarding this proposed action will also be considered by the Commission if delivered by 5:00 PM on Wednesday, April 6, 2022, to the attention of Laura James at MDEQ, Office of Pollution Control, Air Division, 515 E. Amite St., Jackson, MS 39201, mailed to P.O. Box 2261, Jackson, MS 39225 or emailed to ljames@mdeq.ms.gov. The only matter under consideration is the setting of the Title V program fee and comments should be restricted to this matter.
- **IV.** Additional Information: Information relative to the fee development process will be available for public review through Wednesday, April 6, 2022, at the MDEQ offices located at 515 E. Amite St., Jackson, MS or may be obtained by contacting the Public Records Officer at 601-961-5171 or P.O. Box 2261, Jackson, MS 39225. The information, along with a copy of this notice, may also be found on the MDEQ website at www.mdeq.ms.gov/air. Questions regarding the fee development process may be directed to Laura James at 601-961-5675.