

State of Mississippi

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MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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Re: Status of Biosolids General Permit SWGP-BLA

To all SWGP-BLA Coverage Holders:

As you may be aware, the Statewide General Permit for the operation of Biosolids Land Application Sites (SWGP-BLA) expired on August 31, 2025. The permit has not been reissued as of this date. Please be advised that all existing Certificates of Coverage (BLA-###) issued under the general permit prior to August 31, 2025, will be administratively continued and remain in force and effect until MDEQ reissues the general permit or otherwise provides additional guidance to coverage holders.

If the general permit is reissued, coverage holders will be notified by MDEQ and provided with specific instructions on how to apply for coverage renewal. If the MDEQ determines that the general permit will not be reissued, coverage holders will be notified and provided with specific instructions on how to apply for an individual permit. To reiterate, there is no action required at this time of current coverage holders; MDEQ will provide additional guidance or instructions on permit renewal at a later date.

If an existing coverage holder would like to propose a significant change to the existing operations or to the permitted land application area, the coverage holder should contact MDEQ for additional guidance. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the MDEQ Waste Division staff at 601-961-5171.

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