



State of Mississippi

TATE REEVES
Governor

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

CHRIS WELLS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

July 20, 2026

Re: Class I and Class II General Permit
2026 Status Update

To all Class I and Class II Rubbish General Permit Coverage Holders:

The statewide general permits for the operation of class I and class II rubbish sites (SWGP-R1 and SWGP-R2, respectively) expired on December 31, 2016. As of the date of this letter, MDEQ has not yet taken an action on the renewal of these general permits. **As previously communicated, please be advised that all Certificates of Coverage that were in effect at the time of expiration under these general permits have been administratively continued and remain in force and effect until MDEQ takes an action on the renewal of the class I and class II rubbish site general permits.**

Upon development of new draft general permits, MDEQ will provide an opportunity for public comments and input on the draft permit conditions. Once action is taken by the Permit Board to issue any proposed draft permits, existing permittees will be notified by MDEQ and provided with specific instructions on how to obtain permit coverage. **To reiterate, there is no action at this time required of current rubbish site general permit coverage holders in regards to seeking coverage renewal.** However, in the interim, please be advised that new or expanding rubbish sites will be required to obtain an individual permit.

If you have any further questions about the rubbish site general permits or the permit reissuance and/or re-coverage process, please contact the MDEQ Waste Division permitting staff at 601-961-5171.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Trent Jones".

Trent Jones, P.E., BCEE, Chief
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