

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO REISSUE A  
HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT POST CLOSURE PERMIT TO  
METALTEK INTERNATIONAL**

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) has tentatively decided to reissue a hazardous waste post closure permit to MetalTek International for the closed MetalTek Hazardous Waste Landfill (MetalTek). The MetalTek Landfill (EPA ID TND071521884) is located at 4180 South Creek Road in Chattanooga, Hamilton County, Tennessee 37406. **TDEC invites the public to submit comments on this proposal during a 45-day comment period ending on August 14, 2024.**

The current permit, TNHW-154, was issued September 06, 2013, and was effective for ten years. Metal's submittal of the renewal application on March 10, 2023, at least six months prior to the expiration date, allows continued operations under the existing permit pending a final decision being made on the application. Metaltek held a pre-application public meeting on March 6, 2023, as announced in the February 2, 2023, edition of Chattanooga Times Free Press. No members of the public attended the meeting, and no oral or written comments were received.

MetalTek subdivided the 18.98-acre facility in 2018 into two (2) parcels: Lot 19, a 13.62-acre portion of the property that has been determined to be no further action by the DSWM and Lot 19A, a 5.36-acre portion that contains the facility's post-closure landfill. Metaltek retained the ownership for Lot 19A. The current permit only addresses post closure care and corrective action of solid waste management units (SWMUs) and areas of concern (AOCs). Releases to the environment have been thoroughly investigated and remedial actions are completed. If the renewal permit is approved, Metaltek will continue to perform groundwater monitoring along with maintenance of the engineered and institutional controls for the landfill. The proposed permit includes provisions for site security and inspections, restrictions on digging and drilling, groundwater sampling and analysis, notification of any newly discovered releases to the environment, and maintenance of financial assurance with the DSWM in an amount that meets the cost of providing that long-term care.

Based on the review of the application and as authorized pursuant to Tennessee Rule 0400-12-01-.07(7), DSWM has determined the application to be complete and has prepared a draft permit. DSWM proposes to issue the permit under the authority of the Tennessee Hazardous Waste Management Act of 1977, as amended, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-212-101 et seq., and Rule Chapter 0400-12-01, Hazardous Waste Management. In accordance with Rule 0400-12-01-.07(7)(e), this notice requires a 45-day comment period, beginning on the date of this publication and the opportunity to request a public hearing. A fact sheet has been prepared that provides additional information about the site and the proposed permit. Pending consideration of any contrary information received, it is the present intent of DSWM to issue this permit. If issued, the permit would be effective for ten years.

Electronic copies of the draft permit and fact sheet are available online at <https://www.tn.gov/environment/notices/metaltek-intent> and at the DSWM Central Office located at the Davy Crockett Tower 7<sup>th</sup> Floor; 500 James Robertson Parkway; Nashville, TN 37243 (615-532-0780) and at the TDEC Chattanooga Environmental Field Office, 1301 Riverfront Pkwy #206, Chattanooga, TN 37402 (423-634-5745). A paper copy of the draft permit is available for public inspection at the Chattanooga Public Library, 1001 Broad Street Chattanooga, TN, 37402 (423-643-7760).

To comment on the proposed post closure permit renewal or to request a public hearing, contact Ms. Beverly Philpot, Hazardous Waste Program Manager, Division of Solid Waste Management; Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation; Davy Crockett Tower; 7th Floor; 500 James Robertson Parkway;

Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1535 (615-795-1188), [Beverly.Philpot@tn.gov](mailto:Beverly.Philpot@tn.gov). Comments must be received by 4:30 p.m. CDT, August 14, 2024, to assure consideration.

A request for a public hearing shall be in writing and shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing.

After considering all comments, DSWM will make a final decision to either issue or deny the permit. Notice will be given to the applicant and each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice of the final decision. At the time a final decision is issued, a Response to Comments document addressing all significant input received on the draft permit will be made available to the public. The final decision shall become effective upon signing by the Director of DSWM.

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