

## Public Notice – Environmental Permit

**PURPOSE OF NOTICE:** To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality that will allow the release of wastewater and storm water into a water body in West Point, Virginia.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** March 27, 2013 to 11:59p.m. on April 26, 2013

**PERMIT NAME:** Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit – Wastewater and Storm water issued by DEQ, under the authority of the State Water Control Board

**APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER:** Rock-Tenn C.P. LLC; 1901 Main Street, West Point, VA 23181; VA0003115

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Rock-Tenn C.P. LLC has applied for reissuance of a permit for the private Rock Tenn West Point Mill. The applicant proposes to release treated industrial wastewaters at a rate of 20.2 million gallons per day; and storm water into a water body. The facility proposes to release the treated industrial wastewaters and stormwater into the Pamunkey River in the town of West Point in the York River Watershed. A watershed is the land area drained by a river and its incoming streams. The permit will limit the following pollutants to amounts that protect water quality: solids and organic matter. This facility is subject to the requirements of 9 VAC 25-820 and has registered for coverage under the General VPDES Watershed Permit Regulation for Total Nitrogen and Total Phosphorus Discharges and Nutrient Trading in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed in Virginia. There is an existing TMDL for shellfish and recreational swimming use on the Lower Pamunkey and Upper York Rivers. The Rock Tenn West Point facility will not receive a waste load allocation (WLA) for bacteria for either impaired use, as the facility's process is not expected to contribute harmful bacteria to the waterway. During the permit cycle the facility will complete a study to characterize microorganisms present and identify any potential adverse affects to human health that would necessitate a WLA. For more information about the TMDL, please see the contact information below or for more information visit <http://www.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/Water/WaterQualityInformationTMDLs/TMDL/TMDLDevelopment/DocumentationforSelectTMDLs.aspx>

**HOW TO COMMENT AND/OR REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING:** DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requestor, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. A public hearing may be held, including another comment period, if public response is significant, based on individual requests for a public hearing, and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit.

**CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Mr. Brad Ricks; Piedmont Regional Office, 4949-A Cox Road, Glen Allen, Virginia, 23060; Phone: 804-527-5129; E-mail: [Bradford.Ricks@deq.virginia.gov](mailto:Bradford.Ricks@deq.virginia.gov); Fax: 804-527-5106. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above by appointment or may request copies of the documents from the contact person listed above.