MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT WATER AND SCIENCE ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE OF FINAL DETERMINATION

General Permit for Discharges from the Application of Pesticides State Discharge Permit: 17PE, NPDES Permit: MDG87

The Maryland Department of the Environment is reissuing the State/National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit for Discharges from the Application of Pesticides, Permit No. 17PE (NPDES No. MDG87). This permit replaces the one issued effective October 31, 2011, Permit No. 11PE and impacts current holders of Toxic Material Permits (TMPs).

A public notice on the tentative determination to reissue the permit was published on October 11, 2019 in the Maryland Register and in twenty-two newspapers throughout the state of Maryland during the weeks of October 22nd and October 30th, 2019. The Department held a public hearing concerning the tentative determination on Thursday, November 21, 2019 at 1800 Washington Blvd, Baltimore, MD, and received comments on the draft permit through November 26, 2019. After considering all comments received either in writing or through oral testimony during the comment period, the Department has made a final determination to issue the permit. Listed below are the major revisions to the tentative determination included in the Department's final determination:

- 1. The objections to a) PDMP for all Large Entities and b) Annual Reporting for all Large Entities were evaluated. As a result, changes were made to ensure the triggers for required plans and reporting will be consistent with the 11PE.
- 2. All other terms and conditions of the tentative determination remain unchanged. The tentative determination notice is incorporated by reference into this notice and may be found here: https://mdewwp.page.link/PEGP.

Any person adversely affected by this final determination may file a petition for judicial review. Petitions for judicial review of a final determination or permit decision subject to judicial review must be filed in accordance with §1-605 of the Environment Article no later than March 31, 2020 and must be filed in a circuit court in Maryland. Petitions for judicial review must conform to the applicable Maryland Rules of Civil Procedure. Failure to file a petition for judicial review by March 31, 2020, will constitute a waiver of any right to a judicial review of this final determination.

To view and print the final permit and response documents, you may use this link https://mdewwp.page.link/PEGP.

Any questions regarding this final determination should be directed to Paul Hlavinka or Lillian Myers at the Maryland Department of the Environment, Water and Science Administration, at paul.hlavinka@maryland.gov or lillian.myers@maryland.gov or by telephone at 410-537-3323 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Persons seeking to review the final permit and associated file may do so by contacting Mr. Hlavinka to make an appointment. Copies of documents may be obtained at a cost of \$0.36 per page.