



April 15, 2026

Mr. Zachary Bittner  
KY Dept. for Environmental Protection  
Division for Air Quality  
Permit Review Branch  
300 Sower Boulevard, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Frankfort, KY 40601

Subject: Permit Renewal Application for Permit F-20-003 R1  
Riken Elastomers Corporation  
Hopkinsville, (Christian County), Kentucky  
AI #83477, Facility ID #21-047-00113

Project No. 309-1121

Dear Mr. Bittner:

Please find enclosed the permit renewal application for Riken Elastomers Corporation (Riken) in Hopkinsville, Christian County, Kentucky. Riken is requesting to remain a Conditional Major Source and will continue to adhere to the limits stipulated in the current permit, F-20-003 R1. No equipment is being added or removed with this renewal application.

Per Section G.2 of the current permit, Riken is submitting this application more than six months prior to the permit's expiration (October 17, 2026). Attached is the DEP7007AI form for renewal.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Nicole Galavotti at (859) 294-5155. Thank you.

Sincerely,

**SHIELD ENVIRONMENTAL ASSOCIATES, INC.**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Nicole Galavotti'.

Nicole Galavotti, P.E.  
Principal, Sr. Environmental Engineer

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Daniel S. Porter'.

Daniel Porter, Ph.D., P.E.  
Environmental Engineer

cc: Maggie Tabor – Riken Elastomers Corporation

Attachments:  
Attachment A - DEP7007AI Form

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**DEP7007AI****Administrative Information**

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**Additional Documentation**

☒ Additional Documentation attached

**Source Name:** Riken Elastomers Corporation

**KY EIS (AFS) #:** 21- 047-00113

**Permit #:** F-20-003 R1

**Agency Interest (AI) ID:** 83477

**Date:** 4/15/2026

**Section AI.1: Source Information**

|                          |                  |                        |                  |                  |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Physical Location</b> | <b>Street:</b>   | <u>340 Riken Court</u> |                  |                  |
| <b>Address:</b>          | <b>City:</b>     | <u>Hopkinsville</u>    | <b>County:</b>   | <u>Christian</u> |
|                          | <b>Street or</b> | <u>340 Riken Court</u> |                  |                  |
| <b>Mailing Address:</b>  | <b>P.O. Box:</b> |                        |                  |                  |
|                          | <b>City:</b>     | <u>Hopkinsville</u>    | <b>State:</b>    | <u>Kentucky</u>  |
|                          |                  |                        | <b>Zip Code:</b> | <u>42240</u>     |

**Standard Coordinates for Source Physical Location**

**Longitude:** -87.3992 (decimal degrees) **Latitude:** 36.7999 (decimal degrees)

**Primary (NAICS) Category:** Custom Compounding of Purchased Resins **Primary NAICS #:** 325991

**Classification (SIC) Category:**Custom Compounding of Purchased Plastics**Primary SIC #:**3087**Briefly discuss the type of business conducted at this site:**

Riken is a custom compounder of flexible PVC as well as thermoplastic elastomers for a variety of industries.

**Description of Area Surrounding Source:**☐ Rural Area☐ Industrial Park☐ Residential Area☐ Urban Area☒ Industrial Area☐ Commercial Area**Is any part of the source located on federal land?**☐ Yes☒ No**Number of Employees:**

81

**Approximate distance to nearest residence or commercial property:**225 feet**Property Area:**24 acres**Is this source portable?**☐ Yes☒ No**What other environmental permits or registrations does this source currently hold or need to obtain in Kentucky?****NPDES/KPDES:**☒ Currently Hold☐ Need☐ N/A**Solid Waste:**☐ Currently Hold☐ Need☒ N/A**RCRA:**☒ Currently Hold☐ Need☐ N/A**UST:**☐ Currently Hold☐ Need☒ N/A**Type of Regulated Waste Activity:**☐ Mixed Waste Generator☒ Generator☐ Recycler☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_☐ U.S. Importer of Hazardous Waste☐ Transporter☐ Treatment/Storage/Disposal Facility☐ N/A

**Section AI.2: Applicant Information**

**Applicant Name:** Riken Elastomers Corporations

**Title:** (if individual) \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address:** **Street or P.O. Box:** 340 Riken Court

**City:** Hopkinsville **State:** Kentucky **Zip Code:** 42240

**Email:** (if individual) \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** 270-475-2150

**Technical Contact**

**Name:** Maggie Tabor

**Title:** EHS Manager

**Mailing Address:** **Street or P.O. Box:** 342 Riken Court

**City:** Hopkinsville **State:** Kentucky **Zip Code:** 42240

**Email:** mtabor@riken-americas.com

**Phone:** 270-704-0259

**Air Permit Contact for Source**

**Name:** Nicole Galavotti, P.E.

**Title:** Principal/Sr. Environmental Engineer

**Mailing Address:** **Street or P.O. Box:** 948 Floyd Dr.

**City:** Lexington **State:** Kentucky **Zip Code:** 40505

**Email:** nicole\_galavotti@shieldmw.com

**Phone:** 859-294-5155

**Section AI.3: Owner Information**☐ **Owner same as applicant****Name:** Riken Americas Corporation**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_**Mailing Address:** **Street or P.O. Box:** 342 Riken Ct.**City:** Hopkinsville **State:** Kentucky **Zip Code:** 42240**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_**Phone:** 270-874-4114**List names of owners and officers of the company who have an interest in the company of 5% or more.****Name****Position**

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## Section AI.4: Type of Application

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| <b>Current Status:</b>                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Title V                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conditional Major | <input type="checkbox"/> State-Origin                            | <input type="checkbox"/> General Permit                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Registration | <input type="checkbox"/> None         |
|                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Name Change               | <input type="checkbox"/> Initial Registration         | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Revision                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative Permit Amendment      |                                       |                                       |
| <b>Requested Action:</b><br>(check all that apply) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Renewal Permit | <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Registration         | <input type="checkbox"/> Minor Revision                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Initial Source-wide Operating Permit |                                       |                                       |
|                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> 502(b)(10)Change          | <input type="checkbox"/> Extension Request            | <input type="checkbox"/> Addition of New Facility                | <input type="checkbox"/> Portable Plant Relocation Notice     |                                       |                                       |
|                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Revision                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Off Permit Change            | <input type="checkbox"/> Landfill Alternate Compliance Submittal | <input type="checkbox"/> Modification of Existing Facilities  |                                       |                                       |
|                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Ownership Change          | <input type="checkbox"/> Closure                      |                                                                  |                                                               |                                       |                                       |
| <b>Requested Status:</b>                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Title V                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conditional Major | <input type="checkbox"/> State-Origin                            | <input type="checkbox"/> PSD                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> NSR          | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

### Is the source requesting a limitation of potential emissions?



Yes



No

#### Pollutant:

#### Requested Limit:

☒ Particulate Matter

90 tons per year

☐ Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC)☐ Single HAP☐ Carbon Monoxide☐ Combined HAPs☐ Nitrogen Oxides☐ Air Toxics (40 CFR 68, Subpart F)☐ Sulfur Dioxide☐ Carbon Dioxide☐ Lead☐ Greenhouse Gases (GHG)☐ Other

### For New Construction:

Proposed Start Date of Construction:

(MM/YYYY)

Proposed Operation Start-Up Date: (MM/YYYY)

### For Modifications:

Proposed Start Date of Modification:

(MM/YYYY)

Proposed Operation Start-Up Date: (MM/YYYY)

Applicant is seeking coverage under a permit shield.



Yes



No

Identify any non-applicable requirements for which permit shield is sought on a separate attachment to the application.

**Section AI.5 Other Required Information**

Indicate the documents attached as part of this application:

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007A Indirect Heat Exchangers and Turbines                    | <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007CC Compliance Certification                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007B Manufacturing or Processing Operations                   | <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007DD Insignificant Activities                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007C Incinerators and Waste Burners                           | <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007EE Internal Combustion Engines                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007F Episode Standby Plan                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007FF Secondary Aluminum Processing                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007J Volatile Liquid Storage                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007GG Control Equipment                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007K Surface Coating or Printing Operations                   | <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007HH Haul Roads                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007L Mineral Processes                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Confidentiality Claim                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007M Metal Cleaning Degreasers                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Ownership Change Form                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007N Source Emissions Profile                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Secretary of State Certificate                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007P Perchloroethylene Dry Cleaning Systems                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Flowcharts or diagrams depicting process                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007R Emission Offset Credit                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Digital Line Graphs (DLG) files of buildings, roads, etc. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007S Service Stations                                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Site Map                                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007T Metal Plating and Surface Treatment Operations           | <input type="checkbox"/> Map or drawing depicting location of facility             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007V Applicable Requirements and Compliance Activities        | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety Data Sheet (SDS)                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007Y Good Engineering Practice and Stack Height Determination | <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Response Plan                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007AA Compliance Schedule for Non-complying Emission Units    | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DEP7007BB Certified Progress Report                               |                                                                                    |

**Section AI.6: Signature Block**

I, the undersigned, hereby certify under penalty of law, that I am a responsible official\*, and that I have personally examined, and am familiar with, the information submitted in this document and all its attachments. Based on my inquiry of those individuals with primary responsibility for obtaining the information, I certify that the information is on knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false or incomplete information, including the possibility of fine or imprisonment.

Chris Dripps  
Authorized Signature

4/17/2026  
Date

Chris Dripps  
Type or Printed Name of Signatory

Plant Manager  
Title of Signatory

\*Responsible official as defined by 401 KAR 52:001.