

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**DAICEL SAFETY SYSTEMS AMERICA, INC.  
BEAVER DAM, OHIO COUNTY, KENTUCKY  
TENTATIVE DECISION TO TERMINATE THE HAZARDOUS WASTE OPERATING  
PERMIT  
EPA I.D. KYR-000-034-207  
AI-6238**

The Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet (Cabinet), Division of Waste Management (Division), has tentatively decided to terminate the Hazardous Waste Operating Permit for Daicel Safety Systems America, Inc. (Daicel). Daicel is located at 720 Old Liberty Church Road, Beaver Dam, Kentucky. The site contact person is Kevin Autry, who may be reached at (270) 363-6217.

### **Why does Daicel not need a permit from the Division?**

Daicel manufactured airbag inflators as well as gas generant pellets which are enclosed in a metal housing in the inflators for the automotive industry. The inflators contain a chemical mixture which, upon initiation, release a gas to inflate the airbags. This chemical mixture is known as gas generant and is the primary reactive component of the airbag inflators. Off specification and waste generant became hazardous wastes and were treated to eliminate the hazardous waste characteristics of the waste, rendering them non-hazardous.

Daicel has permanently ceased all their manufacturing operations, hazardous waste generation and treatment. With the closure of the Cage Unit, which was used to treat the off-specification and waste generant, Daicel is no longer managing hazardous waste that requires a hazardous waste operating permit.

### **How can I tell the Division what I think about this tentative decision?**

The Cabinet encourages public involvement and welcomes comments. Anyone wishing to comment on this tentative decision should submit comments to the Cabinet on or before November 30, 2024, the close of the public comment period. Comments should be submitted to: April J. Webb, P.E., Manager, Hazardous Waste Branch, Division of Waste Management, 300 Sower Boulevard 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Frankfort, KY 40601, or by email at [April.Webb@ky.gov](mailto:April.Webb@ky.gov).

### **Where can I review the documents used to make this tentative decision?**

Ohio County Public Library  
413 S Main Street, Hartford, KY 42347  
Contact Person: Melanie Warga  
Phone: (270) 298-3790  
Hours of Operation:  
Monday - Tuesday: 8:30am – 7:30pm  
Wednesday - Friday: 8:30am – 4:30pm  
Saturday: 9am – 3pm  
Sunday: Closed

Division of Waste Management,  
300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, KY 40601  
Contact Person: Tina Fisher  
Phone: (502) 782-6357  
Email: [Tina.Fisher@ky.gov](mailto:Tina.Fisher@ky.gov)  
Hours of Operation:  
Monday - Friday: 8am - 4:30pm

Division of Waste Management Website:

<https://eec.ky.gov/Environmental-Protection/Waste/Pages/public-notice.aspx>  
(Waste Management Public Notices – Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet)

**What will the Division do with the comments they receive?**

The Cabinet will consider all comments, received by the close of the public comment period on November 30, 2024, in making a final decision. Anyone submitting comments will be mailed a “response to public comments” document specifying any changes made or not made (with the reasons why) as a result of the comment(s) submitted.

Any person who may be aggrieved by the final decision on the permit termination may file a petition with the cabinet which sets forth the grounds of the objection and demands a formal hearing pursuant to KRS 224.10-420(2). This type of hearing is held before a hearing officer and all parties are advised to have legal counsel present.

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