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March 12, 2021

Colonel Stephen D. Dorris, Commander Blue Grass Army Depot 431 Battlefield Memorial Highway Richmond, Kentucky 40475-5060

RE: Completion and Schedule for Three Permit Modification Requests

- 1. Class 3 Hazardous Waste Storage & Treatment Permit Modification Request, Change in Rocket Management and Miscellaneous Permit Updates
- 2. Class 2 Hazardous Waste Storage & Treatment Permit Modification Request, Treatment of VX Rockets
- 3. Class 2 Hazardous Waste Storage & Treatment Permit Modification Request, Vertical Rocket Cutting Machines and Rocket Non Destructive Examination

Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant (BGCAPP)

Blue Grass Army Depot (BGAD)

Richmond, Madison County, Kentucky

EPA ID# KY8-213-820-105, AI# 2805, Activity #APE20200017, APE20200016

Dear Colonel Dorris,

The Kentucky Division of Waste Management (Division) has determined that the subject permit modification requests are technically complete, and has tentatively decided to issue the permit modifications. Pursuant to 401 KAR 39:060 Section 5, the Division has prepared the draft permits, public notice, and fact sheet. The Division has also scheduled a public comment period, public meeting, and public hearing. The public notice will be published in the following newspapers: Lexington Herald-Leader, Richmond Register, and Berea Citizen. A short public announcement will also be provided to local radio stations. Please note that the public notice includes the above three permit modification requests submitted by the Bechtel Parsons Blue Grass Joint Venture as well as a permit modification request submitted by the Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives (ACWA) program.

Any interested person or party, including the permit owner and operator, has 45 days from the date of the Lexington Herald-Leader advertisement, April 28, 2021, to submit comments to the Division. Enclosed are the public notice and the fact sheet that will be sent to persons on the facility mailing list. Also enclosed is a copy of the draft permit, and the radio announcement. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, a virtual public meeting and hearing will be held using the GoToMeeting platform, at 6:00 pm EDT on April 21, 2021. Instructions for attending the virtual meeting are also enclosed.

Below is the Division's tentative schedule for the permitting action:

Public Notice (begins public comment period):

March 14, 2021

Public Meeting and Hearing

End of Public Comment Period:

Division Response to Comments:

May 21, 2021

May 21, 2021

Final Permit Decision:

May 21, 2021

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Dale Burton by phone at (502) 782-6331 or by email at dale.burton@ky.gov.

Sincerely,

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Signed by: April Webb

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