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Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant

Public Notification

A Partnership for Safe Chemical Weapons Destruction
Temporary Authorization Request: On November 11, 2021, Blue Grass Army Depot (BGAD) (the facility “owner”) and the systems contractor, Bechtel Parsons Blue Grass (BPBG) (the facility “operator”), submitted a Temporary Authorization Request (TAR) to the Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection (KDEP). This submittal is in accordance with the provisions of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) to allow use of the increased container storage capacity at the Waste Transfer Station (WTS) while the RCRA Class 2 permit modification request continues to be reviewed and processed by KDEP.

Background: The facility specified in this TAR and identified in the Class 2 permit modification request submitted to KDEP is necessary for the safe, effective management of nerve agent-filled items and the elimination of potential exposure risks to the public and chemical agent workers at an earlier date. The WTS is currently permitted for storage of various secondary wastes generated at the Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant (BGCAPP). The requirements and justification for increasing the container storage capacity of the WTS are identified in the RCRA Class 2 Hazardous Waste Storage & Treatment Permit Modification Request, Treatment of GB Rockets and Waste Transfer Station Container Storage Limit Increase for BGCAPP and BGAD, Richmond, Kentucky, EPA ID KY8-213-820-105, submitted on November 11, 2021. Authorization to use the increased container storage capacity in full compliance with the specific requirements included in the aforementioned modification request and all RCRA regulations, is sought under this TAR.

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