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PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING DELISTING PETITION FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE UNDER
THE MISSISSIPPI HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT REGULATION NCBC GULFPORT
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TYNDALL AIR FORCE BASE

39501-SITE 8 INCINERATION
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Persons that desire to comment on the delisting petition submitted to the DEQ by the U. S. Air Force are invited to submit comments in writing to Toby Cook at the above address no later than July 9, 1997. All written comments received prior to and on July 9, 1997, will be considered in the formulation of the DEQ staff's recommendation and the Commission's determination relating to the delisting petition. A public hearing related to the delisting petition will not be held unless specifically requested in writing by the inquirer.

Additional details about the detailing petition, including relevant documents, with a charge for copying, are available by writing or calling Toby Cook at the above address and telephone number.

The information related to the delisting petition and addendum are available during regular business hours at the locations listed below:
Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality
Office of Pollution Control - Hazardous Waste Division
2380 Highway 80 West
Jackson, Mississippi 39212
601/961-5171
Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
and
Gulfport Public Library

1300 21st Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi 39501
601/863-6411
Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Friday-Saturday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of persons whom you know will be interested.
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MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
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NOTICE OF DELISTING PETITION FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE UNDER THE MISSISSIPPI HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT REGULATION BY THE U.S. AIR FORCE, NAVAL CONSTRUCTION BATTALION CENTER, GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI

The U. S. Air Force has submitted a delisting petition and addendum related to the regulatory delisting of certain hazardous waste located at the Naval Construction Battalion Center, Gulfport, Mississippi. The hazardous waste proposed for delisting is residual ash (F028) from the incineration of dioxin contaminated soil.

The U. S. Air Force used an area identified as Site 8 on the Naval Construction Battalion Center to stage 2,4,5-Trichlorophenoxyacetic acid (also called Herbicide Orange) from 1968 to 1977. This material was used primarily as a defoliant during the Vietnam Conflict. In 1987-1988, under authority of a USEPA Research and Development Permit issued to the U.S. Air Force, contaminated soils containing dioxin concentrations greater than 1 part per billion (ppb) were excavated from areas identified as Areas A, B, and C, and incinerated onsite. The resulting residual ash, classified as a hazardous waste (F028), was placed back onto a portion of the previously excavated area identified as Site 8. The U. S. Air Force has submitted a delisting petition and addendum in accordance with Part 260 of the Mississippi Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (MHWMR) to remove the residual ash (F028) from regulations as a hazardous waste.

To fully comply with requirements set forth in MHWMR Part 260 for delisting, a facility must submit information to insure that the waste identified in the petition can be removed from the lists of hazardous wastes in Subpart D of Part 261, without posing a threat to human health and the environment. This demonstration was made using representative sampling of the residual ash and groundwater in conjunction with statistical procedures. The sampling data and the statistical procedures show that the residual ash proposed for delisting does not pose a threat to human health or the environment. The staff believes the U. S. Air Force has provided sufficient information to satisfy the requirements of MHWMR Part 260 for delisting the residual ash as a hazardous waste. However, before proceeding further, public comments are being solicited. The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) staff intends to recommend approval of the delisting petition at this time, however, the staff's final recommendation to the Commission, as well as the Commission's determination related to the delisting petition by the U.S. Air Force, will be made after thorough consideration of all written comments.