General Permit
For
Processing/Beneficial Use of Municipal Waste

Permit No. WMGR148

Date Issued February 18, 2015

Date Amended

Date Expires February 18, 2025

The Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Municipal and Residual Waste hereby approves the:

☐ Beneficial Use  ☑ Processing prior to Beneficial Use  ☐ Other

of: waste plastic, including processed regulated medical waste, non-halogenated plastic, and halogenated plastic

for use as: plastic lumber-like material.

This approval is granted to: Triumvirate Environmental of Pittsburgh, Inc.

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subject to the attached conditions and may be revoked or suspended for any project which the Department of Environmental Protection determines to have a substantial risk to public health, the environment, or cannot be adequately regulated under the provisions of this permit.

The processing of wastes not specifically identified in the documentation submitted for this approval, or the beneficial use of wastes not approved in this permit, is prohibited without the written permission of the Department.


This approval is granted: ☑ Statewide  ☐ Regional

Title: Environmental Program Manager

THIS PERMIT IS NON-TRANSFERABLE
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A. Description:

The general permit authorizes the processing of waste plastic and beneficial use of the plastic lumber-like material produced. These waste plastics include halogenated plastics, non-halogenated plastics, and plastics from the processing of regulated medical waste. For plastic derived from regulated medical waste, that processed regulated medical waste shall meet the disinfection requirements in 25 Pa. Code § 284.321 (relating to regulated medical waste monitoring requirements).

B. Determination of Applicability Requirements:

A person or municipality that proposes to operate under the terms and conditions of this general permit after the date of permit issuance shall obtain a “Determination of Applicability” (“DOA”) from the appropriate Department Regional Office prior to commencing authorized activities under this general permit. A completed application on forms available from the Department must be submitted to the appropriate Department Regional Office. A check in the amount identified in Section A (General Information) of the Form 20 (Application for a Municipal or Residual Waste General Permit) shall be submitted to the appropriate Department Regional Office. A check shall be made payable to the “Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.” No activities shall commence unless approved, in writing, by the Department.

C. Operating Conditions:

1. All activities conducted under the authorization granted in this permit shall be conducted in accordance with the permittee’s application. Except to the extent the permit states otherwise, the permittee shall utilize the processed material as described in the permit application.

2. The permittee shall comply with the fugitive emissions regulations under Title 25 Pa. Code, Chapter 123 (Standards for Contaminants) issued under the Air Pollution Control Act, the Act of January 8, 1960, P.L. 2119, 35 P.S. §4005 and shall comply with all the applicable provisions of the Fugitive Emissions Sections 123.1 and 123.2.

3. Nothing in this permit shall be construed to supersede, amend, or authorize a violation of any of the provisions of any valid and applicable local law, ordinance, or regulation, providing that said local law, ordinance, or regulation is not preempted by the Pennsylvania Solid Waste Management Act, 35 P.S. §6018.101 et seq.; the Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act of 1988, 53 P.S. §4000.101 et seq.; the Air Pollution Control Act, 35 P.S. §4001 et seq.; or the Clean Stream Law, 35 P.S. §691.1 et seq.
4. As a condition of this general permit and of the permittee’s authority to conduct the activities authorized by this general permit, the permittee hereby authorizes and consents to allow authorized employees or agents of the Department, without advance notice or search warrant, upon presentation of appropriate credentials and without delay, to have access to and to inspect all areas on which solid waste management activities are being, will be, or have been conducted. This authorization and consent shall include consent to collect samples of waste, soils, water, or gases; take photographs; to perform measurements, surveys, and other tests; inspect any monitoring equipment; to inspect the methods of operation and to inspect and/or copy documents, books, and papers required by the Department to be maintained. This permit condition is referenced in accordance with §608 and §610(7) of the Solid Waste Management Act, 35 P.S. §6018.608 and §6018.610(7). This condition in no way limits any other powers granted under the Solid Waste Management Act.

5. Any independent contractors or agents retained by the permittee in the completion of activities authorized under this general permit shall be subject to compliance history review by the Department prior to performance of any activities, as specified by the Pennsylvania Solid Waste Management Act of 1980.

6. Failure of the permittee to comply with the applicable laws, rules, and regulations and terms of this permit, for any reason, shall be grounds for the revocation or suspension of the permittee’s approval to conditions of this permit, or of the measures herein approved to perform as intended or operate under this permit.

7. The activities authorized by this general permit shall not harm or present a threat of harm to the health, safety, or welfare of the people or environment of this Commonwealth. The Department may modify, suspend, revoke, and reissue the authorization granted in this general permit if it deems necessary to prevent harm or the threat of harm to the public health, and the environment or if they cannot be adequately regulated under the conditions of this general permit.

8. The permittee shall comply with the terms and conditions of this general permit and with the environmental protection acts to the same extent as if the activities were covered by an individual permit. The Department may require an individual permit be obtained if the permittee cannot comply with the conditions of this general permit or is conducting an activity that harms or presents a threat of harm to the health, safety, or welfare of the public or the environment of this Commonwealth.
9. This permit does not authorize and shall not be construed as an approval to discharge any waste, wastewater, or runoff from the site of storage to the land or waters of the Commonwealth.

10. The permittee shall maintain a bond in an amount and with sufficient guarantees acceptable to the Department as provided by 25 Pa. Code Chapter 287, Subchapter E (relating to bonding and insurance requirements). The bond shall continue in effect for the operational life of the facility, and for up to 10 years after final closure of the facility, unless released in whole or part by the Department, in writing.

11. The permittee shall maintain in force and affect a general liability insurance policy in accordance with 25 Pa. Code, Chapter 287, Subchapter E (relating to bonding and insurance requirements) to provide continuous coverage during operation of the facility and until the Department issues a final closure certification.

12. The permittee shall only accept processed regulated medical waste from facilities identified in the permit application or from facilities for which the permittee has obtained written approval to receive the waste from the Department. For plastic derived from processed regulated medical waste, that processed regulated medical waste shall meet the disinfection requirements in 25 Pa. Code § 284.321 (relating to regulated medical waste monitoring requirements).

13. Any materials produced under this permit that may be used in load bearing applications shall meet the relevant industry accepted physical testing. Non load bearing materials shall meet customer specifications.

14. The plastic lumber material is not considered a waste as defined in 25 Pa. Code § 287.1 (relating to definitions) upon shipment to customer, provided that the material meets all relevant specifications, and is used in a prompt manner.

D. Recordkeeping:

1. The permittee shall maintain current records for each generator or regulated medical waste processing facility. These records shall include the type of plastic and amounts of all incoming wastes. The permittee shall maintain current records of the amount of plastic lumber produced and the date of production of the plastic lumber.
2. The permittee shall maintain current records of all ASTM and other relevant physical testing.

3. The permittee shall maintain all records for five (5) years, and make the records available to the Department upon request.

E. Renewal:

A person or municipality that plans to continue the operations authorized under this general permit, after the expiration date indicated on the approval for coverage page, shall file a complete application for permit renewal at least 180 days before the expiration date of this general permit unless permission has been granted by the Department for submission at a later date. The renewal application shall include a completed (i) General Information Form (Authorization Application for a Residual or Municipal Waste General Permit Application), (ii) Form B (Professional Certification), (iii) Form 20 (Application for a Municipal or Residual Waste General Permit), (iv) Form 27 (Acceptance of General Permit Conditions), and (v) bonding worksheets, and (vi) a renewal application fee in the amount identified in Section A (General Information) of the Form 20 shall be submitted to the appropriate Department Regional Office. A check shall be made payable to the “Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.” A copy of the renewal application shall also be sent to the attention of the Department’s Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Municipal and Residual Waste, Rachel Carson State Office Building, 400 Market Street, P.O. Box 69170, Harrisburg, PA 17106-9170.

In the event that a timely and complete application for renewal has been submitted and the Department is unable, through no fault of the permittee, to reissue the general permit or approval for coverage before its current coverage expiration date, the terms and conditions of the approved coverage will automatically continue and will remain fully effective and enforceable pending the issuance or denial of the renewal for permit coverage, provided the permittee is, and has been, operating in compliance with the terms and conditions of the general permit.
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