

TITLE 329 SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DIVISION

Rule Information Sheet

Kaiser Aluminum Wastewater Treatment Facility
LSA Document #24-213

Overview

Kaiser Aluminum Warrick LLC (Kaiser) has purchased the wastewater treatment operations facility at the Alcoa Corporation Warrick Operations in Newburgh, Indiana. This rulemaking amends 329 IAC 3.1-6-8 to update the delisted wastewater treatment sludge to be under Kaiser's name. It also updates the rule language to reflect that Kaiser has upgraded its wastewater treatment equipment by purchasing an additional filter press, which will result in delisted wastewater treatment sludge being generated at two locations rather than the single location in the current delisting.

This rulemaking also increases the sampling requirements to reflect the new point of generation. Instead of two samples collected each quarter from one point of generation, the draft rule requires that two samples be collected from each of the points of generation each quarter. The analysis parameters remain the same.

Affected Persons

This rulemaking impacts the wastewater treatment operations facility at the former Alcoa Warrick Operations in Newburgh, Indiana, which has been purchased by Kaiser.

Reasons for the Rule

The facility is changing ownership from Alcoa to Kaiser, and Kaiser has requested the name change in 329 IAC 3.1-6-8 to update the wastewater treatment sludge delisting under their name. Kaiser is also upgrading its wastewater treatment equipment, which requires installation of an additional filter press. This will result in delisted wastewater treatment sludge being generated at two locations, rather than the single location in the approved delisting.

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Economic Impact of the Rule

This rule does not have an economic impact for the source or the state of Indiana. This rulemaking is being developed at the request of the facility to update the facility name and increase the sampling requirements based on the installment of the new filter press.

Scheduled Board Action and Hearings

First Public Hearing: August 14, 2024, at 1:30 p.m., at the Indiana Government Center South, 10

North Senate Avenue, Conference Center Room A, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

Second Public Hearing: December 11, 2024, at 1:30 p.m., at the Indiana Government Center South, 10 North Senate Avenue, Conference Center Room A, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

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