

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD REGARDING PROPOSED CONSENT ORDER
TO WOODBRIDGE ALABAMA LP FOR ALLEGED AIR POLLUTION CONTROL PERMIT
VIOLATIONS IN HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Management (DNREM) is proposing to issue a Consent Order (CO) to Woodbridge Alabama LP (“Woodbridge”) for violations of provisions of the City of Huntsville Air Pollution Control Rules and Regulations (COHRAR). Woodbridge owns and operates a flexible polyurethane foam manufacturing facility located at 5549 Endeavor Way in Huntsville, Alabama (“the facility”), and the facility holds a Major Source Operating Permit (MSOP), which was issued by DNREM on August 5, 2019 (“the Permit”). The Permit had a fixed term of five (5) years and had an expiration date of August 5, 2024. The Permit and COHRAR require an application for renewal to be filed no less than six (6) months before the expiration date. Woodbridge submitted a renewal application on August 2, 2024, three (3) days prior to the expiration date. The Permit expired and DNREM reissued the Permit on October 28, 2024. Woodbridge continued to operate the facility during the period when coverage under the Permit had lapsed. Operating an air pollution source without a permit is a violation of COHRAR. Although the Permit had expired, Woodbridge continued to comply with the substantive provisions of the expired Permit during the lapse in coverage.

DNREM is proposing to issue a CO to resolve the violations described above. As drafted the CO would require Woodbridge to pay a \$10,000.00 civil penalty and to implement measures to ensure timely submittal of future applications for permit renewal.

A public comment period, which begins upon publication of this Public Notice, has been established to give interested individuals an opportunity to provide additional information or comments. If significant comments are received, a hearing may be scheduled. Additional information regarding the alleged violations and a copy of the Draft Consent Order are available in the DNREM office located at 305 Fountain Circle in downtown Huntsville. They may also be obtained by contacting DNREM at (256) 427-5750. Any person wishing to provide written comments on the proposed order may do so by writing to Darlene Elliott, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Management, City of Huntsville, P. O. Box 308, Huntsville, Alabama, 35804. All comments must be received by 5:00 P.M., March 21, 2025, or thirty (30) days from publication of this Notice, whichever is later.