

NOTICE OF INTERIM AUTHORITY

U.S. Vanadium - Benton LLC
Permit No. 0034-AOP-R11 (Pending)

Notice is hereby given under Ark. Code Ann. § 8-4-230(e)(1) that the Director of the Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ), 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317, has granted U.S. Vanadium - Benton LLC's request for an interim authority to increase the throughput limit to 140,160 tons per year for kiln/calcliner (SN-08), as well as the other upstream processes, and 196,224 tons per year for refining screener (SN-48A) and drying system (SN-49).

These activities will take place at the following site address:

U.S. Vanadium - Benton LLC
AFIN: 63-00011
6105 Cynamide Road
Benton, AR 72015

This interim authority is limited to a period of no longer than ninety (90) days from the date granted or until a final permit decision is made on the pending application, whichever comes first. This decision is subject to and contingent upon the right of the public to object to the Director's decision. Any member of the public may object to the Director's decision or request a public hearing within ten (10) business days of the date of this notice. Objections or requests for a public hearing will be accepted if submitted no later than 4:30 p.m. Central Standard Time on the last day of the comment period. Written objections or a request for a public hearing should be sent to: Division of Environmental Quality, ATTN: Office of Air Quality, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317.

After consideration of any timely written objections, the Director may revoke or modify the conditions of this interim authority within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of this decision for compelling reasons or good cause shown. The Director's revocation or modification of a prior decision becomes a final decision and will be sent to the applicant and those persons who submitted timely objections. If the Director's initial decision is not revoked or modified within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of the decision, the decision is deemed final for purposes of appeal.

Dated Oct. 27, 2024

Bailey Taylor
Chief Administrator of Environment, DEQ Director
Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment