

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Intent to Issue a Hazardous Waste Management Facility Renewal Operating License to  
The Dow Chemical Company for Michigan Operations, Midland Plant and Salzbürg Landfill  
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The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Office of Waste Management and Radiological Protection (OWMRP), hereby gives notice of its intent to issue a hazardous waste management facility operating license (License) to The Dow Chemical Company (Dow) for the Michigan Operations, Midland Plant and Salzbürg Landfill pursuant to Part 111, Hazardous Waste Management, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended. Licenses for these two facilities, located at 1790 Building Washington Street and 2314 West Salzbürg Road in Midland, Michigan, were previously issued separately. The OWMRP proposes to renew the Salzbürg Landfill License four years ahead of schedule and merge Dow's two Licenses into a single License with common conditions and attachments, where possible. The License would allow the continued operation of Dow's container storage, tank storage and treatment, surface impoundment treatment/storage/disposal, incineration, post closure, landfilling, and on-site and off-site corrective action activities. The term of the License renewal is for 10 years.

In addition, the OWMRP proposes to incorporate Dow's Site-Specific Land Disposal Restrictions Treatability Variance (Variance) into the License as part of the Waste Analysis Plan and to extend the term of the Variance so that it will run concurrent with the License and be renewed as part of future licensing actions. The Variance currently applies to certain soils generated during corrective action or as a result of upgrade or maintenance of corrective action management systems, including Dow's Revetment Groundwater Interception System. In addition to linking the term of the Variance to the term of the License, non-routinely generated Tertiary Pond Solids would be added as a waste stream subject to the Variance. Due to the proposed extension and revision of the Variance, the merging of Dow's two Licenses, and the overall complexity of this licensing action, a 60-day public comment period is being held instead of a 45-day public comment period.

The DEQ invites public comment on the draft License. The public comment period ends on August 28, 2015. The draft License and Variance documents, including a Fact Sheet that summarizes this relicensing action, are available online at <http://www.michigan.gov/deq> (click on Waste, Hazardous and Liquid Industrial Waste, Hazardous and Liquid Industrial Waste Management, and scroll to "Dow Midland Plant and Salzbürg Landfill Hazardous Waste Management Facility Operating License Information" under "Information"); at the Reference Desk of the Grace A. Dow Memorial Library, 1710 West St. Andrews Street, Midland, Michigan (989-837-3449); at the DEQ, Saginaw Bay District Office, 401 Ketchum Street, Suite B, Bay City, Michigan (contact Ms. Trisha Confer at 989-225-7968); and the DEQ, OWMRP, Constitution Hall, Fourth Floor South, 525 West Allegan Street, Lansing, Michigan (contact Ms. Cheryl Howe at 517-284-6561).

**The DEQ has scheduled a public hearing regarding the draft License at the Bullock Creek High School Auditorium, 1420 South Badour, Midland, Michigan, at 7:00 p.m. on July 29, 2015.** Written comments concerning the draft License should include the name and address of the writer, a concise statement of the basis for the comments, and the supporting relevant facts upon which the comments are based. Written comments must be postmarked no later than August 28, 2015.

Before issuing a final decision, the DEQ will evaluate all comments received. Information regarding the final decision on the draft License will be communicated to all persons who submit written comments or are on the facility mailing list. The DEQ will respond to all significant comments on the draft License and explain any changes made thereto. Written comments on the draft License, requests to be placed on the facility mailing list, and all other requests for information, including requests for copies of the draft License, Fact Sheet, and related documents should be directed to Ms. Howe via e-mail at [howec@michigan.gov](mailto:howec@michigan.gov) or mailed to:

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