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Illinois Environmental Protection Agency PUBLIC NOTICE OF HAZARDOUS WASTE PERMIT RENEWAL General Dynamics Ordnance and Tactical Systems Division in Marion

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby gives notice of intent to renew a Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) storage permit held by General Dynamics Ordnance and Tactical Systems Division, Marion Operations, (General Dynamics - OTS) 6000 W. Ogden Rd., Marion, Illinois 62959 for their eight container storage units at Ordill Area 13, Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge. The U.S. Department of Interior (DOI) is the property owner and co-permittee. General Dynamics – OTS is storing explosives-related hazardous wastes at these units under its current RCRA permit. Wastes are generated by Marion Operations’ manufacturing, research, development and testing activities. A renewed permit would allow these storage activities to continue.

The interested public is invited to review copies of the permit application, draft operating renewal permit and related fact sheet at:

Marion City Hall
350 Tower Square Plaza
Marion, Illinois 62959

Written comments on the draft operating renewal permit may be submitted during the 45-day comment period. Send comments to the Illinois EPA contact listed at the end of this notice postmarked by 11:59 PM, February 5, 2024. In response to public requests or at the discretion of the Illinois EPA, a public hearing can be held to clarify technical issues concerning the permit. A public hearing request must be made in writing, express opposition to the draft post-closure renewal permit and state the nature of the issue(s) to be raised at the hearing. Written hearing requests should be sent to the Illinois EPA contact listed below by the end of the comment period. Public notice will be issued 45 days before any hearing.

All comments received will become part of the Administrative Record (AR) and will be evaluated by the Illinois EPA in making the final operating renewal permit decision. The Illinois EPA will respond to comments on the draft operating renewal permit and indicate whether additional documents have been included in the AR. Commenters will be notified of the final operating renewal permit decision and the permit decision appeal process.

The AR, including the permit application, draft operating renewal permit, related information and all data submitted by the applicant, is now available for public inspection. Please telephone the Illinois EPA contact below for an appointment to view the documents at Illinois EPA’s offices in Springfield.

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For further RCRA information, go to: <https://www.epa.gov/rcra>