



## **MEMORANDUM**

DATE: March 25, 2019

*Sent by Certified Mail  
And Electronic Mail*

TO: Interested Public

FROM: Joe Koon,<sup>JK</sup> Manager – Mining and Reclamation Section  
Alyson Hayes,<sup>AK</sup> Manager – Air Permitting Division

SUBJECT: Notice of Approval of Applications and Reclamation Plan  
Notice of Issuance of Mine Operating Permit I-002171 and Air Quality Synthetic  
Minor Construction Permit #2320-0049-CA.  
RDA LLC, RDA Mine

The S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) has completed its reviews of the application and reclamation plan for a Mine Operating Permit (Mine Permit) and the application for an Air Quality Synthetic Minor Construction Permit (Air Permit) for the RDA Mine. The Mine Permit and the Air Permit have been approved as of the date of this memorandum.

SC DHEC has made these decisions after consideration and complete review of the following: the permit applications, applicable state and federal regulations, comments made at the public hearing held on July 26, 2018, all comments received within the required time frame, the public hearing transcripts, and all other pertinent information. All comments were reviewed for technical merit and have been included in SC DHEC's permanent records for this facility. With these approvals and receipt of the required reclamation bond, DHEC is issuing the Mine Operating Permit (I-002171) and the Air Quality Synthetic Minor Construction Permit (#2320-0049-CA) for the RDA Mine.

The approved Mine Operating Permit, maps, reclamation plan, and a summary response to comments can be viewed and downloaded at the following web address:

<https://www.scdhec.gov/rda-mine-quarry>

The approved Air Quality Synthetic Minor Construction Permit, the statement of basis, and the response to comments can also be viewed and downloaded at the following web address:

<https://www.scdhec.gov/air-quality-permitting-decisions>

You are receiving this memorandum as an interested member of the public that requested to be notified. Please find enclosed a Guide to Board Review. This guide provides information on how to request a final review conference with the SC DHEC Board. These instructions may also be found by contacting the SC DHEC's Clerk of the Board at (803) 898-3309 or at the following web address:

<http://www.scdhec.gov/Agency/BoardofDirectors/GuidetoBoardReview/>

Pursuant to SC Code Section 44-1-60(E)(2), “[t]he staff decision becomes the final agency decision fifteen calendar days after notice of the staff decision has been mailed to the applicant, unless a written request for final review accompanied by filing fee is filed with the department by the applicant, permittee, licensee, or affected person.”

If you have trouble finding the Mine Operating Permit and associated documents or have questions or concerns, please contact Joe Koon at (803) 898-1371 or by email at [koonjm@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:koonjm@dhec.sc.gov). If you would like a hard copy of these documents mailed to you please contact Ms. Crystal McInnis at (803) 898-1359 or by email at [mining.notice@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:mining.notice@dhec.sc.gov).

If you have trouble finding the Air Quality Synthetic Minor Construction Permit, have any questions concerning this permit, or would like to share your input on how DHEC may improve public participation in our air permitting activities, please contact Alyson Hayes at (803) 898-3836 or by e-mail at [hayesam@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:hayesam@dhec.sc.gov).