NOTICE TO CONSTRUCT IMPROVEMENTS TO ANAEROBIC DIGESTERS AND RENEW AND MODIFY TITLE V OPERATING PERMIT

Program Interest (PI): #02620 / Permit Activity Number: BOP #190001 Permit Renewal with Significant Modification

Effective Date April 11, 2022

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to NJSA 13:1D-157 and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) Administrative Order 2021-25 (AO 2021-25), that the Bergen County Utilities Authority (BCUA) located in Little Ferry NJ, intends to construct improvements to the Little Ferry Water Pollution Control Facility anaerobic digesters, modify the Title V Operating Permit and renew the Title V Operating Permit.

The BCUA will be improving digester gas production and providing digester gas storage that will increase the resiliency of the facility. Using stored digester gas, the facility would be able to continue critical operations via cogeneration if isolated from the power grid due to flooding or other disruptions. This work will include the replacement and relocation of the digester gas flares which results in a net increase in Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) and Oxides of Nitrogen (NOx) emissions and requires modification to the Title V Operating Permit.

In addition, the notice represents the five-year renewal of BCUA’s Title V Operating Permit. The current permit expired June 1, 2020, and the BCUA is currently operating under a permit shield. Upon final approval, the permit will be renewed for five years retroactive to June 1, 2020.

Pursuant to AO 2021-25, a public information session will be held on May 17, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. at the BCUA facility located at Foot of Mehrhof Road, Little Ferry, NJ. Concurrent with this notice, the BCUA will accept public comments on the construction project and Title V Modification and Renewal for a sixty-day period starting on April 11, 2022, and concluding on June 9, 2022.

The Draft Permit and construction details will be posted on the BCUA website (www.bcu.org) and can be available if you contact Kristine Morieko at kmorieko@bcua.org. Comments can be submitted via electronic mail to Kristine Morieko at kmorieko@bcua.org or via United States Postal Service to the following address:

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