

## Region 3 Public Notice

### **Mr. Mulch, LLC**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER  
ASSESSING ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL PENALTY  
AND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

**U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY MID-ATLANTIC REGION  
Enforcement & Compliance Assurance Division (3ED33)  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103**

**Date of Notice:** April 22, 2024

**Permit No.:** DEI000505

**Docket Number:** CWA-03-2024-0088

**Comments will be accepted until June 3, 2024.**

In accordance with Section 309(g) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g) AND 40 CFR § 22.45, notice is hereby given that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 3 (EPA Mid-Atlantic Region), is proposing to file a Expedited Settlement Agreement (ESA) and Final Order assessing an administrative civil penalty in the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) against the Respondents named below for alleged violations of Section 301 of the CWA.

**RESPONDENT:**

Mr. Mulch, LLC  
22288 Coverdale Road  
Seaford, Delaware 18873

**SUMMARY OF VIOLATIONS:** EPA Mid-Atlantic Region alleges the following violations of Section 301(a) of the CWA, which were discovered during a September 2, 2021 inspection at the Mr. Mulch facility, located at 22288 Coverdale Road, Seaford, Delaware 18873:

1. Unpermitted discharges from the Facility without authorization by a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit issued pursuant to the CWA

These discharges from the Facility without a NPDES permit constitute a violation of Section 301(a) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1311.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT:** Persons wishing to comment on the ESA and Final Order are invited to submit via email a statement to the EPA Mid-Atlantic Region Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division Director. This statement should be emailed directly to the Regional Hearing Clerk (email below) within 40 days of the date of this public notice. Comments received within this 40-day period will be considered. All comments must include the name, address, and telephone number of the writer and a concise statement of the basis for any comment and any relevant facts on which it is based.

**All comments should be emailed to:**

Regional Hearing Clerk  
U.S. EPA, Mid-Atlantic Region  
[R3\\_Hearing\\_Clerk@epa.gov](mailto:R3_Hearing_Clerk@epa.gov)

**OR**

**Mailed/Submitted to:**

U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 3  
Regional Hearing Clerk – Mail Code 3RC00  
1600 John F. Kennedy Boulevard  
Philadelphia, PA 19103

**AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION:** You may request information relevant to the Expedited Settlement Agreement through the Regional Hearing Clerk.

**REGISTRY OF INTERESTED PERSONS:** Any person interested in a particular case or group of cases may leave their name, address, and telephone number on a registry of interested persons which will be maintained in each file. The list of names will be maintained as a means for persons with an interest in the case to contact others with the same interest.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Interested parties may contact the following EPA representatives to learn more about this action.

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