

RESOLUTION 2021-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA, SUPPORTING THE REMOVAL OF CONTAMINATION FROM SITES ALONG THE U.S. 17 CORRIDOR AND URGING THE STATE GOVERNMENT TO CAUSE REMOVAL OF ALL CONTAMINATION IN THE SOIL AND GROUNDWATER ALONG THE U.S. 17 CORRIDOR

WHEREAS, U.S. 17 and F J Torras Causeway intersection is a primary arterial thoroughfare in Brunswick, Georgia that connects Jekyll and Saint Simons Islands to the mainland of Glynn County and is part of the highway system linking Glynn County and the City of Brunswick to neighboring counties to the north and south; and,

WHEREAS, this area is an important component to the economic health of the City of Brunswick and surrounding areas have been designated a gateway corridor, Enterprise Zones and Federal Opportunity Zones; and,

WHEREAS, the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) re-issued Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Number HW-052(D&S) to Hercules LLC/Pinova Inc. for the post-closure care activities and site-wide corrective action in November 2020; and,

WHEREAS, on February 1, 2021, Hercules submitted to EPD on behalf of itself and Pinova, Inc. a Corrective Action Plan ("CAP") for the Brunswick facility pursuant to Section V.G.1 of the permit; and,

WHEREAS, the Brunswick facility is located at 2801 Cook Street, Brunswick, GA, 31520, a site along the U.S. 17 corridor (the "Site"); and,

WHEREAS, contaminants have migrated beyond the boundaries of the designated Site and such contamination is detrimental to the planned revitalization of the U.S. 17 corridor and potentially harmful to residents in the area and workers on facility grounds; and,

WHEREAS, the location of multiple hazardous waste sites located in the City of Brunswick creates a negative perception of the area's economic health; and

WHEREAS, residual contamination threatens the local populations and the areas potential for redevelopment, revitalization, and increased economic opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Brunswick believes that the full removal and remediation of all contamination and hazardous materials from the Site and the inclusion of certain conditions in the Permit is appropriate to achieve a better solution on the Site;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Brunswick Board of Commissioners, acting in its capacity as the governing authority of the City of Brunswick, formally supports: the complete removal (not containment or stabilization) of all contamination in soil at the Brunswick Facility and any off-site areas identified; complete remediation of all contaminated groundwater along the U.S. 17 corridor including additional testing where necessary to further delineate the groundwater plume near the Terry Creek Mobile Home Park neighborhood; and utilizing available technology to eliminate risks of vapor-intrusion for on-site workers.

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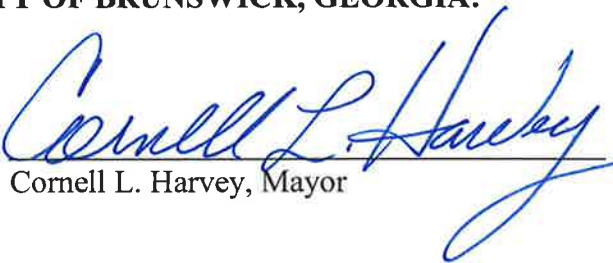
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by The City of Brunswick Board of Commissioners that the EPD be and is hereby urged to condition the renewal of Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Number HW-052(D&S) on three conditions which set deadlines to ensure effective removal of contaminants and prevent further off-site contaminant migration. The City of Brunswick Board of Commissioners urges the EPD to require Hercules LLC/Pinova Inc. to promptly implement measures that will ensure no further off-site contaminant migration occurs beyond December 31, 2021, to enforce cleanup requirements for all contamination that has migrated beyond the boundary of the site to be completed by December 31, 2022, and to remediate on-site contaminants to background levels by December 31, 2024.

This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED by the Commission of the City of Brunswick this 5th day of May 2021.

CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA:

By:


Cornell L. Harvey, Mayor

ATTEST:


Naomi D. Atkinson, City Clerk

