

**Department of Health and Environmental Control**  
DHEC-Bureau of Land and Waste Management, File # 401136  
Blalock Textile Mills Site

November 24, 2017

**NOTICE OF VOLUNTARY CLEANUP CONTRACT,  
CONTRIBUTION PROTECTION, AND COMMENT PERIOD**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (the Department) intends to enter into a Voluntary Cleanup Contract (VCC) with Greenwood Mills, Inc. (the Responsible Party). The VCC provides that the Responsible Party, with DHEC's oversight, will fund and perform future response actions at the Blalock Textile Mills facility located in Laurens County, at 117 Joanna Street, Joanna, South Carolina (Site).

Future response actions addressed in the VCC include, but may not be limited to, the Responsible Party funding and performing a Remedial Investigation (RI) to further evaluate the source, nature, and extent of release of hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants and, if necessary, a Feasibility Study to evaluate alternatives to clean-up the Site. Further, the Responsible Party will reimburse the Department's past response costs of \$9,019.77 and the Department's future costs of overseeing the work performed by the Responsible Party and other Department response costs pursuant to the VCC.

The VCC is subject to a thirty-day public comment period consistent with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. Section 9613, and the South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Act (HWMA), S.C. Code Ann. Section 44-56-200 (as amended). Notice of Contribution Protection and Comment Period will be provided to known potentially responsible parties. The VCC is available:

- (1) On-line at <http://www.scdhec.gov/PublicNotices>; or
- (2) By contacting David Wilkie at 803-898-0882 or [wilkietd@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:wilkietd@dhec.sc.gov).

Any comments to the proposed VCC must be submitted in writing, postmarked no later than December 25, 2017 and addressed to: David Wilkie, DHEC-BLWM-SARR, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.

Upon the successful completion of the VCC, the Responsible Party will receive a covenant not to sue for the work done in completing the response actions specifically covered in the VCC and completed in accordance with the approved work plans and reports. Upon execution of the VCC, the Responsible Party shall be deemed to have resolved its liability to the State in an administrative settlement for purposes of, and to the extent authorized under CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. Sections 9613(f)(2) and 9613(f)(3)(B), and under HWMA, S.C. Code Ann. Section 44-56-200, for the matters addressed in the VCC. Further, to the extent authorized under 42 U.S.C. Section 9613(f)(3)(B), S.C. Code Ann. Section 44-56-200, the Responsible Party may seek contribution from any person who is not a party to this administrative settlement.