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**Stakeholder Meeting Scheduled for Proposed Tire Collection Center
and Mobile Tire Processing Equipment General Permit**

NORTH LITTLE ROCK—The Arkansas Department of Energy & Environment (E&E), Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) will host a stakeholder meeting at 1 p.m. on September 27, 2022, to discuss the preliminary draft general permit for Tire Collection Centers and Mobile Tire Processing Equipment. The general permit will expire and a new general permit is being prepared.

The meeting will be held in the Commission Room at E&E Headquarters, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, Arkansas. A remote option is also available for stakeholders via the Zoom platform. For instructions on how to participate remotely, contact Greg Banic at (501) 682-0040 or greg.banic@adeq.state.ar.us. Facility owners, operators, consulting engineers, and other facility representatives are invited to attend and will receive an invitation via email.

At the meeting, stakeholders will be able to review the preliminary draft general permit before the thirty-day public comment period. Representatives from DEQ's Office of Land Resources, Solid Waste Management Division will be present to exchange information about the new permit and to discuss the permitting process.

The stakeholder meeting is not a formal hearing; therefore, formal comments will not be accepted for the permitting record. However, comments and general discussion are anticipated and encouraged. The formal comment period will begin after DEQ publishes the thirty-day public notice.

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