Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment

Notice of Five Year Review Arkwood, Inc. Superfund Site

EPA I.D. Number: ARD084930148

Facility Location: Old Cricket Creek Road, west of Old U.S. Highway 65,

Omaha, Boone County, Arkansas

WEB Address: https://www.epa.gov/superfund/arkwood

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment – Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) are conducting a Five Year Review (FYR) for the Arkwood, Inc. Superfund Site (Arkwood). The FYR is being conducted to determine whether the remedy at the site remains protective of human health and the environment. The site is located in Boone County, approximately one-half mile southwest of Omaha, Arkansas. The site lies west of Old U.S. Highway 65 and north of Old Cricket Creek Road.

The lead agency for conducting the FYR is the DEQ on behalf of the USEPA. This will be the fifth FYR for Arkwood. This review will be conducted in accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA). Section 121 of CERCLA, as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA), requires that remedial actions resulting in any hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants remaining at the site be subject to a FYR, and states that the selected remedial action should comply with applicable or relevant and appropriate environmental standards established under state or federal environmental law.

In September of 1990, the Record of Decision (ROD) promulgated the selected remedial alternative which involved: excavation and offsite incineration of soils contaminated with PCP, PAHs and dioxins; quarterly monitoring of areal springs; and operation of an ozone treatment system installed offsite and immediately downstream of New Cricket Spring to reduce the remaining PCP concentrations to Arkansas surface water quality standards. The operation of the ozone treatment system and monthly sampling of New Cricket Spring continues.

Once completed, the results of the fifth FYR will be made available to the public at the following information repositories:

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Website: https://www.epa.gov/superfund/arkwood
Site Documents and Data tab, Publicly Available Documents section

Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment Records Management Section 5301 Northshore Drive North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317

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Individuals who wish to comment regarding this FYR or otherwise participate should contact:

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All comments must be received by 4:30 p.m. on December 10, 2020. Only comments regarding the Arkwood FYR will be considered.

Dated this 10th Day of November, 2020

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