

## NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD Reidville Road Auto Service Property Spartanburg, South Carolina

The South Carolina Department of Environmental Services (SCDES) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract through June 17, 2025.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, 24-7857-NRP, will affect approximately 1.96 acres located at 2314 Reidville Road, Spartanburg, South Carolina. The property is further identified by Spartanburg County Tax Map Serial Numbers 6-20-16-050.00 and 6-20-16-052.00. A company known as Murphy Oil USA, Inc. (Murphy), wants to acquire the property and intends to redevelop it with a Murphy USA gasoline station.

The property has a history of automotive repair operations. The past use of the property may have caused environmental pollution on the property.

SCDES uses Voluntary Cleanup Contracts to encourage productive reuse of Brownfield sites. If this Voluntary Cleanup Contract is implemented, SCDES will allow Murphy to acquire the property as a "Brownfields Site" because of the potential for environmental pollution from past activity on the property.

SCDES will not hold Murphy responsible for pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under the proposed contract, Murphy will test soil and groundwater on the property. If significant contamination is found, Murphy will be required to take steps to protect human health and the environment. Murphy did not create the pollution, but will control it to keep the property safe for re-use. Under State law, Murphy will not be responsible if anyone has been affected by the contamination. The responsibility of former owners or operators of the property is not reduced by this contract.

The proposed contract is available at <a href="https://des.sc.gov/PublicNotices">https://des.sc.gov/PublicNotices</a>. Printed copies may be obtained from the SCDES Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

The public may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed contract through June 17, 2025. Questions or comments may be directed to Nick Hammond, Project Manager, by e-mail at <a href="mailto:nick.hammond@des.sc.gov">nick.hammond@des.sc.gov</a>, telephone at (803) 898-0736, or TOLL-FREE at (866) 576-3432. Written comments should be directed to Nick Hammond at SCDES, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.