

## NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD Greenville Transit Authority site Greenville, South Carolina

SCDES (the South Carolina Department of Environmental Services) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract through June 18, 2025.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, 25-5448-NRP, will affect approximately 2.93 acres located at the intersection of 106 and 154 Augusta Street, Greenville, South Carolina. The property is further identified by Greenville County Tax Map Serial Numbers 0088000101301 and 0088000101200. A group of companies known as Accente Group, Inc., KSRN S Main LLC, and RNKS Augusta St LLC (AKR), wants to acquire the property and intends to develop it for mixed-use.

The property was used for a variety of commercial and industrial purposes. 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 AKR 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 AKR responsible for pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under the proposed contract, AKR will test soil and groundwater on the property. If significant contamination is found, AKR will be required to take steps to protect human health and the environment. AKR did not create the pollution, but will control it to keep the property safe for re-use. Under State law, AKR 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 18, 2025. Questions or comments may be directed to Chris Kaibery, Project Manager, by e-mail at christopher.kaibery@des.sc.gov telephone (803) 898-0924, or TOLL-FREE at (866) 576-3432. Written comments should be directed to Chris Kaibery at SCDES, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.