

ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING—ADEM



Alabama has the experience and resources in place to facilitate timely and comprehensive environmental permitting for a facility. Because the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) has authority to issue the permits required by all the major federal environmental laws, Alabama can offer "one-stop" permitting. ADEM has established a Permit Coordination and Development Center (PCDC), which facilitates the permitting process by coordinating communications, conferences and other administrative functions between an applicant and ADEM. The comprehensive approach of the PCDC eliminates surprises; all the environmental permitting and approvals needed to proceed with a project are identified up front.

In addition to helping a prospective facility identify all the necessary permits and approvals, the PCDC also coordinates the application process. This, too, is performed efficiently. ADEM is very cognizant of responding to permit applications in a timely manner. Most air and water permits are usually issued by ADEM within 60 days. Construction storm water permits, which are needed before construction begins, are issued in a timely manner (approx. 45-60 days).

Even PSD (Prevention of Significant Deterioration) analyses for air permitting applications can be completed in 120 days for most projects. Since air permits are also needed before construction begins, this timely processing can assist during even the most aggressive construction schedule. Alabama understands the need for a fair and efficient permitting process, and ADEM, through the PCDC, provides an effective and unique resource for potential permittees.

For more information, such as regulations and permit forms, see ADEM's website, www.adem.alabama.gov



The Brownfields Redevelopment and Voluntary Cleanup Program

The Alabama Brownfields redevelopment program is committed to helping municipalities, communities and developers throughout Alabama reclaim and redevelop environmentally contaminated real estate. Redeveloping these properties, in turn, creates valuable opportunities for communities to improve beauty and safety, increase local taxes, support job growth, and clean up and protect the environment. Why are brownfields so important, in a word: opportunity.

ADEM: http://www.adem.state.al.us/

State Oil and Gas of Alabama: http://www.ogb.state.al.us/

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: http://www.epa.gov/

ADEM PROGRAMS

Air: http://www.adem.state.al.us/programs/air

Coastal: http://www.adem.state.al.us/programs/coastal

Waste/Remediation: http://www.adem.state.al.us/programs/land

Water: http://www.adem.state.al.us/programs/water

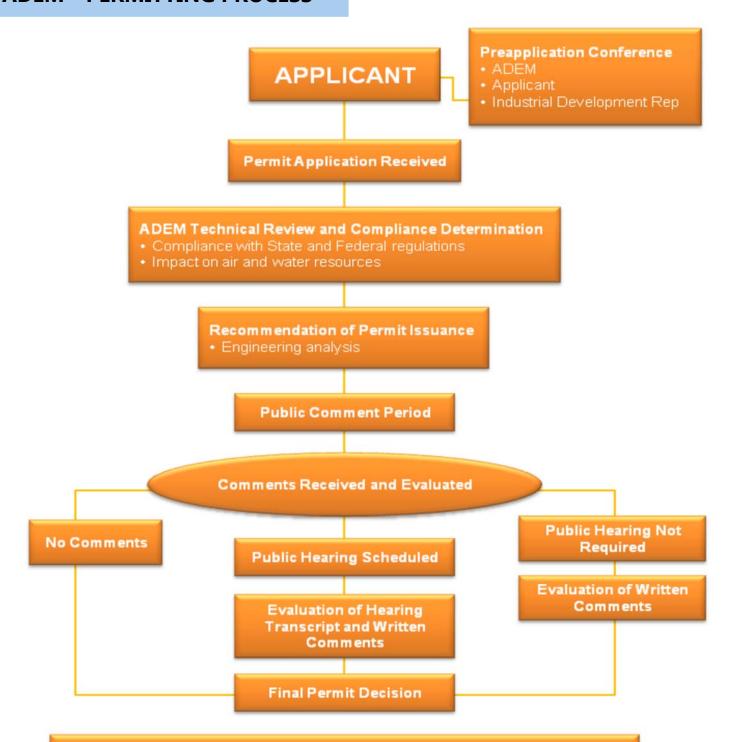
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ADEM—PERMITTING PROCESS



Issuance of Permits is the mechanism by which ADEM controls emissions to air, land, and water to ensure the protection of human health and the environment. The Permit Coordination and Development Center serves as a focal point for permit applications and information by coordinating communications and administrative functions for permit issuance, arranging for conferences with public or private agencies regarding permit requirements and receiving and recording all permit fees.

