



## **Environmental Protection Agency**

### **Notice to the Public**

Pursuant to Section 11(2) of the Environmental Protection Act, Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has screened the application for the grant of an environmental permit for the following proposed project:

**1. DDL- Construction & Operation of a Dairy Production & Crop Farm, Demerara Distillers Limited, Lot 1 Moblissa Agricultural Area, Moblissa Newtown Settlement, Soesdyke-Linden Highway, Region 4**

The EPA has determined that this project will not significantly affect the environment, and is therefore exempt from the requirement to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). All impacts have been characterized to be of medium to low significance. The reasons for its decision include:

1. The proposed site for the facility has been deemed suitable for agricultural activity as per the lease of State Lands issued by the Guyana Lands and Surveys Commission (GLSC) for agricultural purposes.
2. Impact from solid waste generated from the facility will be medium significance and will be effectively mitigated by recycling, reusing, or disposed of using environmentally responsible methods, including:
  - Composting of manure and organic waste for use in crop production.
  - Reuse of bedding material from livestock housing.
  - Proper management of packaging materials and by-products from the milk processing plant. All practices will follow EPA-approved waste disposal protocols.
  - Construction: it was indicated that a bin will be rented from a reputable waste disposal company, and placed at the construction area to discard of waste during the construction phase. This bin will then be removed as often as necessary by the respective disposal company.
3. The processing facility will be of medium significance and will not directly or immediately discharge effluent into nearby water bodies. Instead, lagoons will be used to collect, treat, and test the water before releasing it into the environment.

4. Impact from odour will be of medium significance and will be effectively mitigated through the existing vegetative buffer zone that surrounds the project site. Odour will be further minimized through:
  - Routine disinfection of animal pens at the end of each production cycle.
  - Daily maintenance to keep pens dry and bedding material fresh and aerated.
  - Prompt removal and secure storage of deceased animals, in accordance with veterinary best practices.
  
5. No hazardous materials/waste will be stored on site, as outlined in Environmental Assessment and Management Plan (EAMP) DDL, 2025 and will be of low significance.

Please be advised that this decision is in no way an indication that this project is approved.

The reasons for our decision are available at the following links on our website:

**Project Summary Tab**

<https://epaguyana.org/download/ddl-farm-project-summary/>

Any person who may be affected by the proposed project may lodge an appeal against the Agency's decision (EIA not required) within thirty (30) days of the publication of this Notice. Appeals against the EPA's decision should be addressed to:

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