



Environmental Protection Agency Notice to the Public

In accordance with **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 granting of an Environmental Authorization for the following proposed projects:

OPERATION OF FUEL STORAGE FACILITIES

- ***Ravindra Beepat – Massy Stores Guyana Inc. (Fuel Storage) – located at Lot 133 South New Road, Vreed-en-Hoop, West Coast Demerara, Region #3.***
- ***Courtney Benn – CB General Contracting Services Inc. (Fuel Storage) – located at Lot 2146 Aubrey Barker Road, North Ruimveldt.***
- ***Ryoan Balram - RB Petroleum – (Bulk Fuel Storage) located at Marudi Crush Site, South Rupununi, Region#9.***

Pursuant to **Section 11 (2) of the Environmental Protection Act**, the EPA has determined that the proposed projects/activities will not significantly affect the environment and is therefore exempt from the requirement to conduct an **Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)**. **However, these projects will be required to submit an Emergency Response Plan (ERP).**

The reasons for the EPA's decision regarding the aforementioned projects include:

1. The risk of spills is expected to be negligible, as the project's design incorporates embedded controls and mitigation measures, including double-walled underground fuel storage tanks and bund walls with 110% capacity for above-ground tanks. These measures will minimize or mitigate potential impacts on immediate receptors, including flora, fauna, and human health.
2. Impacts on waterways are expected to be negligible, as the project site is not located near any major waterways; therefore, no direct discharge of effluent from the facilities is anticipated.



3. Impacts on air quality will be negligible since these projects will not emit significant air pollutants such as particulate matter, Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC), Sulphur dioxide (SO₂) and Nitrogen oxide (NO_x).

Please be advised that this decision is in no way an indication that these projects are approved.

The Project Summaries are available at the following links on our website:

Project Summaries Tab:

<https://epaguyana.org/download/project-summary-...nc-vreed-en-hoop/>

<https://epaguyana.org/download/cb-general-contr...-project-summary/>

<https://epaguyana.org/download/rb-petroleum-project-summary/>

Any person who may be affected by the proposed projects may 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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