



# 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:

### ***MSALABS Guyana Inc. - Geochemical Laboratory (Storage of Chemicals)***

The EPA has determined that this project, for the following reasons, will not significantly affect the environment and is, therefore, exempt from the requirement to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA).

1. The proposed project location is not environmentally sensitive; it has no special environmental attributes, rare ecosystems, habitats, or species at risk.
2. Adequate measures to mitigate emissions to soil, water, air, and noise have been outlined in the project's application for environmental authorization.
3. The risk of chemical spill will be low and mitigated by the following measures:
  - a) The laboratory is equipped with lead and dust extraction systems to control airborne particulates and prevent the spread of pigment dust. Any dust released is immediately removed by suction and contained in an isolated lead dust storage bin.
  - b) Incompatible chemicals will be effectively segregated.
  - c) Training of personnel directly involved in the handling of chemicals on Best Available Practices during chemical handling.
  - d) All equipment will be inspected before use and subjected to scheduled maintenance.

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

### **Project Summary Tab**

<https://epaguyana.org/download/project-summary-leeching-assay/>

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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