

**FACT SHEET**  
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An Agency-initiated Class 3 permit modification has been prepared for Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc. located at 125 Sommerville Park Road in Raleigh, North Carolina. The proposed modification is necessary to update the permit language pertaining to corrective action measures that have taken place at the facility to date. These updates include the establishment of Land Use Restrictions, issuance of No Further Action (NFA) for corrective action at a portion of the site, and the subsequent release from Financial Assurance for Corrective Action requirements.

North Carolina has been authorized by the United States Environmental Protection Agency to administer RCRA including the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (HSWA) of 1984. The State has determined that Safety-Kleen's corrective action activities as identified in the modified permit satisfy the full intent of the North Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Rules and Solid Waste Management Act as amended. When finalized this modified permit issued by the State of North Carolina will constitute a complete permit under the Federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.

### Background

The Safety-Kleen facility in Raleigh is located at 125 Sommerville Park Road, Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina (Latitude 35.694679, Longitude -78.652937). Safety-Kleen is a commercial hazardous waste facility engaged in the collection, replacement, accumulation, and storage of used parts washer solvent, spent immersion cleaner, paint wastes and spent lacquer thinner, and spent dry-cleaning materials generated by industrial maintenance, automotive repair, and dry-cleaning businesses. Waste materials are stored in appropriate containers and an aboveground storage tank at the facility before being transported to one of Safety-Kleen's recycling centers. The recycled product is returned to Safety-Kleen as reusable product.

The Raleigh facility consists of the following existing hazardous waste management units subject to RCRA storage/treatment regulations. These units include two non-ignitable waste container storage areas in the Service Center warehouse building, one flammable waste storage shed, two drum dumpsters/washer units located in the Return and Fill Station, and a 15,000 gallon aboveground tank for used parts washer solvent with ancillary equipment located in the Tank Farm. The maximum hazardous waste inventory allowed by the permit is 11,916 gallons in containers and 15,000 gallons in the tank. Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc. is required by the permit to have a contingency plan and safety and emergency procedures in place. Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc. has provided the contingency plan to local emergency response agencies.

### Permit Modification

An Agency-Initiated Class 3 Modification has been prepared for Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc. in Raleigh North Carolina. The modified permit proposes an update to the permit language to reflect the status of the site's completed corrective action measures. The corrective action history of the site is as follows: in August 2012, 220 tons of soil were removed from two areas adjacent to SWMUs 11 and 14. Amendments were placed on the floor of one excavation to provide ongoing remediation of groundwater. Both excavations were backfilled with clean soil.

A chemical injection was performed in September 2012. Contaminant reduction was observed in several monitoring wells; however, concentrations of certain contaminants remained above the Title 15A NCAC 02L .0202(2L) groundwater standards. A second chemical injection was performed in January 2019 in order to remediate residual groundwater contamination in the areas adjacent to SWMUs 11 and 14, and monitoring well 3. The primary goal of the injection was to reduce and/or stabilize the residual groundwater contamination in order to facilitate the use of a proposed risk-based final remedy.

Following additional groundwater monitoring, a September 13, 2022 Risk-Based Remedial Action Plan (RAP) was received. On September 27, 2023, the Hazardous Waste Section (Section) approved the RAP. The Declaration of Perpetual Land Use Restrictions were filed with the Wake County Register of Deeds on July 2, 2025. The corrective actions implemented in the RAP include continuing enforcement and certification of approved land use restrictions as provided in the Land-Use Restriction Documentation report submitted on July 8, 2025. These corrective actions will address any residual contamination from the Site, meet the requirements in N.C.G.S. Article 9-Part 8, protect human health and the environment, and protect future users and receptors at the Site.

Safety-Kleen Raleigh was contingently granted NFA on August 4, 2025 for the completed RCRA corrective action. The NFA was contingent upon Safety-Kleen's abandonment of monitoring wells no longer needed at the facility, and providing the Section with well abandonment records within 60 days of the Section's issuance of the August 4, 2025 letter. The issuance of the NFA also released Safety-Kleen Raleigh from having to provide Financial Assurance for Corrective Action. The Section received well abandonment records and Certification for Release of Financial Assurance letters on October 3, 2025. Therefore, NFA is granted for the completed RCRA corrective action at a portion of the site. The permit modification is necessary to update the permit language to discuss the corrective measures that have taken place at the facility to date, and to release Safety-Kleen Raleigh from the Financial Assurance requirements for corrective action.

### Public Comment & Public Hearing

The North Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Rules require that the public be given a forty-five (45) day period to comment on the modified permit. This forty-five (45) day period will commence on December 9, 2025 and end January 23, 2026. The modified permit can be found online at the following location: <https://deq.nc.gov/public-notice-hearings>.

All data submitted by the applicant is part of the administrative record. Files are accessible through the document management system at: <https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/waste-management/laserfiche>.

The instructions to search for documents on the web portal are as follows:

- a. Select **Laserfiche** in middle of page
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- g. Doc\_Category > **Facility**
- h. Doc\_Group > **Permit (P)**
- i. Program\_ID > **NCD000776740**

Persons wishing to comment on either this permit or the proposed permit conditions or to object to the permit issuance should submit such comments in writing no later than January 23, 2026. All comments received within the forty-five (45) day period will be considered before the final permit decision is made. Comments should be sent to:

Heather Standish, Hazardous Waste Section Chief  
Division of Waste Management, NCDEQ  
MSC 1646  
Raleigh, NC 27699-1646

A **public hearing** to receive comments concerning the issuance of the proposed permit modification will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at 12:00 pm at The North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality – Green Square Building Room 1210, located at 217 West Jones Street in Raleigh, North Carolina. Attendees may submit a written statement for the official record in addition to their oral statement, or they may submit written comments in lieu of making an oral presentation. When a final permit decision is made to either issue, deny, or modify the modified permit, notice will be given to the applicant and to each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice of the final decision.

Anyone desiring additional information may contact Taylor Fant at the address listed above or at (919) 707-8325 or [taylor.fant@deq.nc.gov](mailto:taylor.fant@deq.nc.gov).