



Department of  
Environmental  
Conservation

**NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION  
NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION  
AND EXTENSION OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

**DATE:** January 10, 2020

**APPLICANT:** Rensselaer Resource Recovery, LLC

**ADDRESS:** 80 Red Schoolhouse Rd, Suite 101, Chestnut Ridge, NY 10977

**Permits Applied For and Application Numbers:** 4-3814-00084/00002 (Air State Facility)  
4-3814-00084/00001 (Solid Waste Management)

**Project Description and Location:** 36 Riverside Avenue, City of Rensselaer, Rensselaer County, NY

Rensselaer Resource Recovery, LLC is proposing to construct and operate a Municipal Solid Waste Processing Facility with an annual throughput up to 150,000 tons. The proposed location is at 36 Riverside Avenue, within the Port of Rensselaer. The facility is designed to process municipal solid waste using a high efficiency mechanical-biological treatment technology to produce a solid recovered fuel that is an EPA-approved marketable commodity substitute for coal. The facility is designed to remove recyclable material from the waste stream prior to producing the solid recovered fuel product. All processing of materials will occur inside a building under negative pressure. There will be no storage of any materials outside.

**AVAILABILITY OF APPLICATION DOCUMENTS:** Commissioners Policy (CP-29) on Environmental Justice and Permitting applies to this facility. The applicant has developed a Department approved Public Participation Plan to ensure community participation in the environmental review process. Documents related to this facility are available for public review in the designated document repositories as identified in the Public Participation Plan: Rensselaer City Hall and the Rensselaer Public Library.

This Notice of Complete Application commences technical review and the public notice and comment processes, including the procedures for incorporating environmental justice concerns, and does not constitute a final decision on the proposed project.

**STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW (SEQR) DETERMINATION:** Project is a Type I action and, as determined by the City of Rensselaer Planning Commission, which served as lead agency under SEQR, will not have a potentially significant adverse effect on the environment. A negative Declaration is on file with the City of Rensselaer Planning Commission. In the event the City of Rensselaer Planning Commission rescinds its negative Declaration for the proposed project prior to renewal or extension of site plan approval, then this Notice of Complete Application shall be rescinded without further notice. *See* 6 NYCRR Part 617.3(c); *Global Companies LLC v. DEC*, 155 A.D.3d 93, 64 N.Y.S.3d 133 (3d Dep't 2017).

**SEQR LEAD AGENCY:** Rensselaer City Planning Commission

**STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT (SHPA) DETERMINATION:** No registered, eligible or inventoried archeological or historic sites were identified at the project location.

**AVAILABILITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THIS  
PROJECT HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO  
MARCH 1, 2020**

Written comments on the project must be submitted to the Contact Person by no later than 03/01/2020 or 15 days after the publication date of this notice, whichever is later.

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