



GEPD DRAFT PERMIT COMMENT HEARING

Remarks by Daryl Mosby, Sterigenics Atlanta General Manager

- Good afternoon. My name is Daryl Mosby. I'm the General Manager of the Sterigenics' Atlanta facility, and I've had the good fortune of leading our team since 2010.
- The process used at our Atlanta facility, and at other facilities across the country, accounts for the sterilization of more than 20 billion critical medical products and devices every year.
- That's roughly half of the medical products and devices that require sterilization in the U.S.
- For many of those devices, ethylene oxide sterilization is the only method that meets FDA standards for sterility.
- The work my team and I do every day at our facility is vital to protecting the health and safety of patients and healthcare workers – people just like you and me – right here in the Atlanta metro area and around the globe.
- In the past year, we have sterilized millions of products at our facility. These include life-saving IV tubing, surgical kits, cardiac catheters and hospital gowns and gloves used to prevent infection. Many of these products have been in high demand due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.
- The work we do is vitally important, and we take our jobs very seriously.
- As part of our jobs, we are committed to outperforming applicable environmental, health and safety regulations. We consistently operate in full compliance with our EPD permit.
- The new permit we are here to discuss relates to the enhancements we voluntarily installed to our emission control systems in 2019.
- We voluntarily agreed to make those enhancements even though we were already operating safely and in full compliance with our EPD permit and applicable regulations.
- Under the Georgia EPD's supervision, a third party tested the enhancements.
- We are proud of the fact that those third-party tests verified the effectiveness of our enhancements. They demonstrate that our emissions controls perform significantly better than the total ethylene oxide removal requirements established by EPD.
- Our actions reflect our continuing commitment to achieving the highest level of emission control technically possible.
- The new permit should allow us to adhere to that continuing commitment and enable us to continue our vital work meeting the demands of our nation's healthcare system.
- We are reviewing the details of the permit and our technical comments will be provided to the EPD later this month as part of the public comment process.
- The bottom line is that we are operating the most advanced emission controls at any sterilization facility anywhere in the world. Our facility is safe for those of us who work here and for the surrounding community.
- We look forward to continuing the important work that we do. Thank you for your time.