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Notice of Intent to Delete Sonics International

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TRD-200003403 LaDonna Castañuela Chief Clerk Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission Filed: May 16, 2000

Public Notice

The executive director of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) is issuing a Public Notice of Intent to Delete (delist) the Sonics International State Superfund site (the site) from the state registry, the list of state superfund sites which may constitute an imminent and substantial endangerment to public health and safety or the environment due to a release or threatened release of hazardous substances into the environment. The TNRCC is proposing this delisting because the executive director has determined that the site no longer presents such an endangerment due to the remedial actions that have been performed at the site. This notice was also published in the May 25, 2000, edition of the *Ranger Times*.

The site, including all land, structures, appurtenances, and other improvements, is approximately 40 acres, located in Eastland County, about two miles west of Ranger, Texas, adjacent to Farm-to-Market Road 101. The site also includes any areas outside the site boundary where hazardous substance(s) came to be located as a result, either directly or indirectly, of releases of hazardous substance(s) from the site. There are two plugged and abandoned hazardous waste disposal wells of which previous operations had resulted in the contamination of the soil and the shallow perched groundwater.

From 1990 to 1993, the Sonics Steering Committee performed a remedial investigation at the site to determine the nature and extent of contamination. The remedial investigation included the collection and analysis of surface and subsurface soils, the installation of groundwater monitoring wells, and the collection of surface water samples. The investigation concluded that four areas of the site had soils impacted at concentrations above protective limits established by the TNRCC.

From 1994 to 1999, the Sonics Steering Committee performed a remedial action at these four locations that entailed the excavation and disposal of approximately 2,070 cubic yards of contaminated soil. Soil samples collected after the remedial action was completed indicated the soils remediation achieved the cleanup criteria established for the site.

The on-site shallow groundwater has been affected by the chemical constituents at the site; however, the shallow groundwater zone beneath the site is not a current source of drinking water and is incapable of supplying water in useable quantities. The TNRCC equates "useable quantities" as 150 gallons per day. For these reasons, existing concentrations of the chemical constituents found in the groundwater do not pose a threat to human health. Also, post closure monitoring of the shallow groundwater is continuing to ensure that the concentration of the chemical constituents remain stable or decrease over time.

Because of the remedial actions that have been performed at the site, the executive director has determined that the site no longer presents an imminent and substantial endangerment to public health and safety and the environment. Therefore, the site is eligible for delisting from the state registry as provided by 30 TAC §335.344(c).

As per §335.344(b), the TNRCC will hold a public meeting to receive comment on this intended deletion. This meeting will not be a contested case hearing within the meaning of Texas Government Code, Chapter 2001. The meeting will be held Thursday, June 29, 2000, 2:00 p.m. at the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building E, Room 201S, Austin, Texas 78753. The meeting will consist of two parts: an informal discussion period and a formal comment period.

All persons desiring to make comments regarding the proposed deletion of the site may do so prior to or at the public meeting. All comments submitted prior to the public meeting must be received by 5:00 p.m., June 29, 2000 and should be sent in writing to Mr. Dean Perkins, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, Remediation Division, MC 143, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or by facsimile to (512) 239-2450. For further information you may also contact Mr. Perkins by telephone at 1 (800) 633-9363 (within Texas only) or (512) 239-2482.

Persons with disabilities who have special communication or other accommodation needs who are planning to attend the meeting should contact the agency at 1 (800) 633-9363 or (512) 239-2141. Requests should be made as far in advance as possible.

A portion of the record for this site, including documents pertinent to the executive director's determination, is available for review during regular business hours at the Ranger College Golemon Library, 1100 College Circle, Ranger, Texas 76470, telephone (817) 647-3234. The complete public file may be obtained during regular business hours at the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, Records Management Center, Building D, North Entrance, Room 190, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, telephone 1 (800) 633-9363 or (512) 239-2920. Photocopying of file information is subject to payment of a fee.

TRD-200003418 Margaret Hoffman Director, Environmental Law Division Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission Filed: May 17, 2000

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Texas State Superfund Registry

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC or commission) is required under the Texas Solid Waste Disposal Act, Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 361 (the Act) to identify, to the extent feasible, and evaluate facilities which may constitute an imminent and substantial endangerment to public health and safety or to the environment due to a release or threatened release of hazardous substances into the environment. The first registry identifying these sites was published in the Texas Register on January 16, 1987 (12 TexReg 205). Pursuant to the Act, §361.181, the commission must update the registry (state Superfund registry) annually to add new facilities in accordance with the Act, §361.184(a) and §361.188(a)(1) (see also 30 TAC §335.343) or to delete facilities in accordance with the Act, §361.189 (see also the Act, §361.183(a) and 30 TAC §335.344). The current notice also includes facilities where state Superfund action has ended, or where cleanup is being adequately addressed by other means.

Pursuant to the Act, \$361.188, the state Superfund registry identifying those facilities that are listed and have been determined to pose an imminent and substantial endangerment in descending order of hazard ranking system (HRS) scores are as follows.