

## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

## Notice of Lodging of Proposed Consent Decree Under the Clean Water Act

On April 28, 2021, the Department of Justice lodged a proposed consent decree with the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York in the lawsuit entitled *United States and State of New York v. Holcim (US) Inc.*, Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-490 (GTS-DJS). The United States and the State of New York filed this action for injunctive relief and civil penalties brought pursuant to Section 309(b) and (d) of the Clean Water Act (“CWA” or the “Act”), 33 U.S.C. 1319(b) and (d), and Article 17 of the New York Environmental Conservation Law (“ECL”), and regulations promulgated thereto, against Holcim (US) Inc. (“Holcim” or “Defendant”), as owner and as successor-in-interest at Defendant’s Ravena Cement Plant (“Facility” or “Ravena Facility”) located at 1916 Route 9W in Ravena, New York for illegal discharges of pollutants and other violations of Section 301(a) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. 1311(a), and for failing to comply with NYSDEC State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. NY0005037 (the “Permit”), issued pursuant to CWA § 402, 33 U.S.C. 1342. The complaint alleges that, between April 2015 and April 2021, Holcim violated the Clean Water Act through unauthorized discharges of pollutants to tributaries of the Hudson River, and that Holcim’s predecessor-in-interest violated three prior administrative consent orders issued from 2011 to 2015. This action seeks to recover monetary penalties for these violations as well as injunctive relief compelling Holcim to come into compliance with the CWA, the ECL, and their respective implementing regulations.

The settlement, set forth in a consent decree lodged with the court, requires Holcim to comply with the terms of the Permit, pay an \$850,000 civil penalty (\$212,000 of which will be directed to a NYS Environmental Benefit Project improving stormwater management at Coeymans Landing Park in the Town of Coeymans, New York), and make other physical and operational improvements to the Facility.

The publication of this notice opens a period for public comment on the proposed consent decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and should refer to *United States and State of New York v. Holcim (US) Inc.*, D.J. Ref. No. 90-5-2-1-08221/8. All comments must

be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the publication date of this notice. Comments may be submitted either by email or by mail:

<i>To submit comments:</i>	<i>Send them to:</i>
By email .....	<i>pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov.</i>
By mail .....	Assistant Attorney General, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611.

During the public comment period, the proposed consent decree may be examined and downloaded at this Justice Department website: <https://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decrees>. We will provide a paper copy of the proposed consent decree upon written request and payment of reproduction costs. Please mail your request and payment to: Consent Decree Library, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611. Please enclose a check or money order for \$17.00 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the United States Treasury.

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## U.S. Marshals Service

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**Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection eComments Requested; Extension With Change, of a Previously Approved Collection; District/Aviation Security Officers (DSO/ASO) Personal Qualifications Statement**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Marshals Service, Department of Justice.

**ACTION:** 30-Day notice.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Marshals Service (USMS), Department of Justice (DOJ), will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for an additional 30 days until June 7, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent

within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Evaluate whether and if so how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

**Overview of This Information Collection**

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension with change of a currently approved collection.

(2) *The Title of the Form/Collection:* District/Aviation Security Officers (DSO/ASO) Personal Qualifications Statement.

(3) *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* Form number: Form USM-234.

*Component:* U.S. Marshals Service, U.S. Department of Justice.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:*

*Primary:* District/Aviation Security Officers Job Applicants.

*Other:* [None].

*Abstract:* This form will primarily be used to collect applicant reference information. Reference checking is an objective evaluation of an applicant’s past job performance based on information collected from key individuals (e.g., supervisors, peers, subordinates) who have known and