**Purpose of Public Notice**
The Utah Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is soliciting comments on the request to issue a ground water discharge permit as described below. The ground water discharge permit is issued by the Director of the Division of Water Quality under authority of the Utah Water Quality Act, Section 19-5-106(g) Utah Code Ann. 1953, as amended and Utah Administrative Code R317-6. Under Section 19-1-301.5, effective May 8, 2012, a person who wishes to challenge a Permit Order may only raise an issue or argument during an adjudicatory proceeding that was raised during the public comment period and was supported with sufficient information or documentation to enable the Director to fully consider the substance and significance of the issue. Utah Code Ann. 19-1-301.5 can be viewed at the following internet URL: https://le.utah.gov/xcode/Title19/Chapter1/19-1-S301.5.html.

**Permit Information**
- **Permittee Name:** Smithfield Foods, Inc.
- **Facility Location:** 13 miles southwest of Milford, Utah, Beaver County
- **Mailing Address:**
  - Smithfield Hog Production
  - P.O. Box 100
  - Milford, Utah 84751

Groundwater Discharge Permit No. UGW350008 is being renewed for the Kennecott Smelter and associated facilities to support continued mining operations. Smelters designed to process copper ore concentrates have operated continuously at this location since 1906. The Permittee has maintained a record of compliance with the conditions of the ground water discharge permit. The permit was last renewed in October 2013.

**Public Comments**
As of **Thursday, April 18, 2019** the Division of Water Quality is providing public notice for the 30-day invitation of public comments concerning this permit. Public comments are invited any time prior to **Monday, May 20, 2019**. Written comments may be directed to the Division of Water Quality, P.O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, UT 84114-4870. All comments received prior to close of business **Monday, May 20, 2019**, will be considered in the formulation of final determinations to be imposed on the permit.

**Further Information**
Additional information may be obtained upon request by contacting Chris Shope at (801) 536-4300 or cshope@utah.gov by writing to the aforementioned address. Related documents are available for review during normal business hours at DWQ, 195 North 1950 West in Salt Lake City or on the DWQ web page at https://deq.utah.gov/public-notices-archive/water-quality-public-notices.

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