

PRESSEMITTEILUNG

Rock Tech Lithium startet Genehmigungsverfahren für Europas ersten Lithiumhydroxid-Konverter

Erste Teilgenehmigung eingereicht

Guben, 22.02.2022 – Rock Tech Lithium hat die Unterlagen für die erste Teilgenehmigung für den Bau seines Lithiumhydroxid-Konverter in Guben/Brandenburg eingereicht. Dies geschieht gemäß des Bundes-Immissionsschutzgesetzes (BImSchG), wobei das Genehmigungsverfahren in Teilgenehmigungsschritten erfolgt. Dies ermöglicht eine sorgfältige Planung und sichert zugleich einen zügigen Projektfortschritt.

In enger Abstimmung mit der verfahrensführenden Behörde, dem Landesamt für Umwelt, sind die folgenden Schritte geplant:

Der erste Teilantrag konzentriert sich auf die Genehmigung von Gebäuden, Straßen und der Basisinfrastruktur. Zugleich wird die grundsätzliche Genehmigungsfähigkeit des Projektes sowie die Umweltverträglichkeit geprüft. Der im Mai folgende zweite Teilantrag betrifft die eigentlichen Produktionsanlagen. In einem weiteren Teilantrag im Juli werden abschließend Versorgungsanlagen und Nebengebäude beantragt.

Zum Start des Genehmigungsverfahrens sagte Markus Brügmann, Chief Executive Officer bei Rock Tech Lithium: „Der erste Teilantrag stellt für uns einen wichtigen Schritt von der Planung zur Umsetzung unseres Lithiumhydroxid-Konverters in Guben dar. Wir freuen uns weiter auf die gute und konstruktive Zusammenarbeit mit dem Landesamt für Umwelt und mit der Stadt Guben.“

Rock Tech Lithium plant, im April/Mai in Guben einen Informationstag zu veranstalten, um die Bevölkerung vor Ort möglichst frühzeitig in das Projekt mit einzubinden. Die Produktionsanlage für batteriefähiges Lithiumhydroxid (Konverter) soll nach ihrer Realisierung jährlich 24.000 Tonnen Lithiumhydroxid für die Batterien von 500.000 Elektroautos produzieren. Das Projekt von Rock Tech befindet sich derzeit in einem fortgeschrittenen Planungsstadium. Das Investitionsvolumen veranschlagt das Unternehmen auf circa 470 Millionen Euro.

Über Rock Tech Lithium

Rock Tech Lithium ist ein in Deutschland und Kanada tätiges Clean-Tech-Unternehmen, das die Automobilindustrie mit hochqualitativem Lithiumhydroxid "made in Germany" beliefern wird. Bereits 2024 wird das Unternehmen Europas ersten Lithiumkonverter mit einer Produktionskapazität von 24.000 Tonnen pro Jahr in Betrieb nehmen. Eine Menge die ausreicht, um rund 500.000 Elektroautos mit Lithium-Ionen-Batterien auszustatten.

Das Clean-Tech-Unternehmen hat sich zum Ziel gesetzt, den weltweit ersten geschlossenen Kreislauf für Lithium zu schaffen und so die Rohstofflücke auf dem Weg zu

sauberer Mobilität zu schließen. Rock Tech besitzt das Lithiumprojekt Georgia Lake in Ontario, Kanada. Bereits 2030 sollen rund 50 Prozent der eingesetzten Rohstoffe aus dem Recycling von Altbatterien stammen.

Rock Tech Lithium ist an den Börsen in Toronto und Frankfurt notiert. Geführt wird das Unternehmen von Dirk Harbecke, Chairman, sowie Markus Brügmann, Chief Executive Officer, Stefan Krause, Chief Financial Officer, Don Stevens, Chief Technology Officer, und Esther Bahne als Chief Strategy and Marketing Officer.

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