

First Addendum to the Fact Sheet for State Waste Discharge Permit ST0045505

February 25, 2015

1. General Information

Facility: Active Berry Packers, L.L.C.
204 – 1st Street
Lynden, WA 98264

This fact sheet addendum revises the fact sheet the Department of Ecology (Ecology) published to accompany the State Waste Discharge Permit No. ST0045505, issued to Active Berry Packers, L.L.C. (Active Berry) on October 18, 2011. Ecology is proposing the following permit changes in response to a request submitted by Active Berry on January 5, 2015.

2. Application for Modification

Active Berry submitted an application for modification to Ecology on January 5, 2015, for an increase of the permit limits for daily maximum flow to 30,000 gpd. The City of Lynden Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent and Public Works Director approved this increase in flow. Ecology accepted the application for modification on January 8, 2015. Ecology has sufficiently reviewed the application, discharge monitoring reports, and other facility information in enough detail to ensure that this flow increase will not cause upset or pass through at the City of Lynden Wastewater Treatment Plant.

3. Permit Modifications

When Ecology modifies a discharge permit, it evaluates the impact of the discharge on the publicly owned treatment plant, which leads to accepting or denying the modification request.

Ecology is proposing to modify S1., page 5 of State Waste Discharge Permit ST0045505 to reflect the following increased wastewater discharge flow, and change the DMR due date listed in S3.A., page 8, to the 28th day of the following month:

- Maximum daily flow of 30,000 gallons per day.
- Submit DMRs by the 28th day of the following month.

This fact sheet addendum accompanies the existing permit, which Ecology proposes to modify for the increased discharge of wastewater to the City of Lynden WWTP. The changes made in this permit are consistent with WAC 173-216-130.

4. Public Process

Ecology public notices the availability of the draft modified permit at least 30 days before it modifies the permit. Ecology invites you to review and comment on its decision to modify the permit (see **Appendix A – Public Involvement Information** of the original fact sheet for more information on the public notice procedures).

After the public comment period has closed, Ecology will summarize the substantive comments and the response to each comment. The summary and response to comments will become part of the file for the permit and parties submitting comments will receive a copy of Ecology's response. Comments and the resultant changes to the permit will be summarized in this addendum.

Ecology placed a Public Notice of Modification (PNOM) on January 22, 2015, in the *Bellingham Herald* to inform the public and to invite comment on the proposed draft modified State Waste Discharge permit and fact sheet.

The notice –

- Told where copies of the draft permit modification and fact sheet addendum were available for public evaluation (a local public library, the closest regional or field office, posted on our website).
- Offered to provide the documents in an alternate format to accommodate special needs.
- Urged people to submit their comments, in writing, before the end of the comment period.
- Told how to request a public hearing of comments about the proposed State Waste Discharge permit modification.
- Explained the next steps in the permit modification process.

Ecology published a document entitled *Frequently Asked Questions about Effective Public Commenting* which is available on our website at:
<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/biblio/0307023.html>.

You may obtain further information from Ecology by telephone or by writing to the address listed below:

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