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**DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY**

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November 22, 2021

Lance Boylan, PE  
Manager Closed Operations  
Hecla Limited  
6500 N. Mineral Drive, Suite 200  
Coeur D'Alene, ID 83815-9408

RE: Application for Renewal of State Wastewater Discharge Permit ST0005270

Dear Lance Boylan:

State Waste Discharge permit ST0005270 is due to expire on April 30, 2023 and requires an application for its renewal. To allow Ecology sufficient time to develop Hecla Limited's permit, a completed application must be received by our office **on or before February 28, 2023**. It is Ecology's policy to send a permit renewal application form as a reminder to help insure a timely submittal.

**Completing the Application**

Please complete the enclosed application **form 040-179** or an [electronic version](#) of the form is available on **Ecology's Water Quality Individual Permit website** at <https://ecology.wa.gov/Water-Shorelines/Water-quality/Water-quality-permits/Water-Quality-individual-permits#forms>.

Please complete the sections marked below as well as any additional sections that may apply if there have been significant changes to the facility or the character of the wastewater have changed. Please submit any additional information that may help Ecology determine the impact of your discharge to groundwater.

**Please complete all of Section A of the permit application and those sections checked below**

- All of Section B. Product Information or the following subsections only
  - 1. Description of manufacturing processes and products
  - 2. Raw materials and products
- All of Section C. Plant Operational Characteristics or the following subsections only
  - 1. Waste stream name and ID numbers
  - 2. Schematic drawing of production and flow
  - 3. Wastewater flow
  - 4. Wastewater treatment improvements

- 5. Seasonal variation of flow
  - 6. Storage or evaporative lagoon
  - 7. Sprayfield average gallons per acre
  - 8. Hours and days of operation
  - 9. Incidental materials
  - 10. Other spill and pollution prevention plans
- All of Section D. Water Consumption and Loss or the following subsections only
- 1. Water source
  - 2. Water use
  - 3. Supplemental irrigation water source
- All of Section E. Wastewater Information or the following subsections only:
- 1. Method of flow measurements
  - 2. Collection Method for wastewater samples
  - 3. Other parameters analyzed for Effluent
  - 4. Measure those parameters checked in the left column
  - 5. Toxic chemicals
  - 6. Other pesticides
  - 7. Other pollutants know or believed to be present
- Section F. Ground Water Information
- All of Section G. Site Assessment or the following subsections only:
- 1. Legal description and land use contracts
  - 2. Other environmental permits
  - 3. USGS topographical map
  - 4. Soils description
  - 5. Description of local geology and hydrogeology (including water quality data if available)
  - 6. Contractors and Consultants
- All of Section H. Stormwater or the following subsections only:
- 1. Covered by Storm Water Baseline Permit
  - 2. Applied for Storm Water Permit Coverage
  - 3. Storm Water Data
  - 4. Areas with Industrial Activity
  - 5. Materials handling/Management practices
  - 6. Map

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- All of Section I. Other Information or the following subsections only:
- 1. Liquid wastes and solid wastes
  - 2. Storage areas

### **Submitting the Application**

Please mail the **original, signed application** to:

Water Quality Permit Coordinator  
Eastern Regional Office  
Department of Ecology  
4601 North Monroe Street  
Spokane, Washington 99205-1265

Please also send an electronic copy of the application (preferably as a PDF) by email to the Permit Coordinator at [stra461@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:stra461@ecy.wa.gov). Please scan any attachments to the application and submit them with the application.

A principal executive officer of at least the level of vice president must sign the application (WAC 173-216-070).

### **Permit Fees**

Fees paid by permit holders support the wastewater permit program (RCW 90.48.465). Ecology regulation (Chapter 173-224 WAC) establishes annual permit fees to recover costs associated with issuing and managing wastewater discharge permits. Ecology will continue to assess and bill annual permit fees unless the permit is formally cancelled. Please call 1-800-633-6193 (option 2) with questions about permit fees.

### **Laws and Guidance for Permits**

Information on laws, regulations and guidance on wastewater discharge permits is available online:

- For information on [Regulations and Permits](https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits) go to <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits>
- For [Water Quality Permit Guidance](https://ecology.wa.gov/Water-Shorelines/Water-quality/Water-quality-permits) go to <https://ecology.wa.gov/Water-Shorelines/Water-quality/Water-quality-permits>

Please contact Pat Hallinan at (509) 655-9239 or by email at [phal461@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:phal461@ecy.wa.gov) if you have questions or need assistance with the form.

Sincerely,



Shara Joy  
Water Quality Program  
Department of Ecology

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Enclosure (1)

cc: Pat Hallinan, Ecology Permit Manager, Eastern Region  
Art Jenkins, PE, Ecology Permit Unit Supervisor, Eastern Region