

Port Townsend Paper Corp.

Comment opportunity

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) invites you to comment on the:

- Draft revised Notice of Construction (NOC) Order No. DE97-AQ-I030.
- State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) related to the revised Order.
- Draft revised Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Permit No. PSD-96-01A.

The proposed actions would allow the Port Townsend Paper Corporation (PTPC) pulp and paper mill in Port Townsend, Washington to change the fuel system for their Package Boiler.

We will accept comments by e-mail, mail, and fax May 4 - June 10, 2016.

A public meeting, followed by a hearing to accept oral comments, will take place:

Date: June 7, 2016

Time: 6 p.m.

Location: Fort Worden Commons, Company A, 200 Battery Way, Port Townsend

Proposed project

One of PTPC's pieces of equipment that produces air pollution is the Package Boiler, which produces steam that is used in the pulp and paper operations at the facility. On March 22, 2016, Ecology received the mill's application proposing to install a system that allows the facility to replace recycled fuel oil with compressed natural gas (CNG) as the fuel source for the Package Boiler.

DATES AND LOCATIONS

Comment period

May 4 – June 10, 2016

Read documents at these locations:

Port Townsend Public Library
1220 Lawrence Street
Port Townsend, WA 98638

Dept of Ecology
300 Desmond Dr SE
Lacey, WA 98503
(360) 407-7393

Online:

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/swfa/industrial/pulp_porttown.html

Send written comments on PSD permit to:

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Send written comments on the NOC Order and SEPA DNS to:

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Impact on air quality

The use of CNG will decrease emissions of:

- Nitrogen oxides
- Particulate matter
- Sulfur dioxide
- Greenhouse gases

Air pollutants that may increase under this proposal include: 3-methylcholanthrene by 0.0009 lbs/year, benzene by 0.238 lbs/year, butane by 1020 lbs/year, dichlorobenzene by 0.585 lb/yr, ethane by 1520 lbs/year, hexane by 880 lbs/yr, pentane by 1260 lbs/year and propane by 780 lbs/year. See the proposed NOC Order revision for more information on these increases.

All other air emissions from the Package Boiler are expected to stay about the same.

The use of CNG as the fuel for the Package Boiler will allow the mill to meet the requirements of 40 CFR Part 63 Subpart DDDDD, also known as “Boiler MACT” (Maximum Achievable Control Technology). The goal of the Boiler MACT requirement is to control emissions of hazardous air pollutants to the greatest possible extent.

Facility information

The mill is located at 100 Mill Road in Port Townsend. It:

- Produced 228,743 tons of unbleached pulp in 2015. The unbleached pulp is either sold or processed into paper.
- Employs approximately 300 people.

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