

PUBLIC NOTICE

February 22, 2001



PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD MARCH 1, 2001 TO APRIL 20, 2001 DRAFT HAZARDOUS WASTE BOILER PERMIT BFGOODRICH KALAMA

BACKGROUND

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) each are proposing to issue a permit to BFGoodrich Kalama (Kalama) to continue burning hazardous waste in an on-site boiler and to continue soil and groundwater cleanup.

Kalama, located at 1296 Northwest Third Street in Kalama, Washington, manufactures organic chemicals. Products include benzaldehyde, benzyl alcohol, benzoic acid, and others. Kalama uses one of their boilers on-site to burn hazardous waste generated from their manufacturing processes.

This public notice announces the beginning of a public comment period on the draft permit. The comment period runs from March 1, 2001 to April 20, 2001. More information about the draft permit and how to submit comments is available in this public notice and in the repositories listed near the end of this document.

YOU HAVE A CHANCE TO PARTICIPATE

The purpose of this public notice and the public participation process is to allow interested citizens and other governmental agencies the opportunity to review and comment on the draft permit. The comment period will begin on March 1, 2001, and end on April 20, 2001. Any person interested in commenting on the draft permit or the risk assessment must do so within this comment period. If you wish to comment on either or both documents, please send your written comments to:

Catherine Massimino, WCM-127 US Environmental Protection Agency Region 10 1200 Sixth Avenue Seattle, Washington 98101

Your comments should include all reasonable available references, factual grounds, and supporting material. EPA will provide copies of all comments received to Ecology.

POSSIBLE PUBLIC HEARING

If requested, a public hearing will be held on April 17, 2001. To request a hearing, or to request special accommodation for the hearing, contact Debra Packard at 1-800-424-4372, extension 0247 **by March 23, 2001.** If there is not a request, the hearing will not take place.

To find out if the public hearing will be held, contact Debra Packard after March 23, 2001. If the public hearing is held, it would be at the Kalama City Hall, at 320 North First, Kalama, WA 98625. If the hearing is held, there would be an open house from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., followed by the hearing at 8:00 p.m. At the open house, you would have the opportunity to visit with staff from Ecology and EPA to learn more about Kalama's draft permit. At the public hearing, formal testimony from the public would be recorded and added to the list of comments Ecology and EPA will consider before making the final decision on this permit.

RESPONDING TO COMMENTS

When making the final determination on whether to approve or deny this permit, Ecology and EPA will respond to all written comments received during the public comment period, and formal oral testimony received during the public hearing, **if a public hearing is requested and held.** When Ecology and EPA make a final decision to issue, deny, or modify this draft permit, we will notify Kalama and each person who has submitted written comments, given formal oral testimony during the public hearing, if held, or requested notice of the final decision.

TO REVIEW INFORMATION

The Administrative Record for this facility, which contains references to all of the information considered in compiling the draft permit, is available for public review at: EPA Region 10, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101 – (206) 553-4153 *Viewing Hours: 8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m., PST*

The draft permit and risk assessment can be reviewed at the following locations:

Kalama Library, 312 North First Street, Kalama, WA 98625 – (360) 673-4568 EPA Region 10 Library, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101 – (206) 553-1289 Ecology SW Regional Office Records Center, 300 Desmond Drive SE, Olympia, WA 98504-7775 –(360) 407-6365

CONTACTS

For technical questions:
Catherine Massimino (206) 553-4153
For questions regarding community involvement or to request a public hearing: Debra Packard (206) 553-0247
EPA can also be reached by calling toll-free 1-800-424-4372

To ensure effective communication with everyone, additional services can be made available to persons with disabilities by contacting one of the numbers listed above.



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