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## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### **NORTHWEST CLEAN AIR AGENCY**

### **DRAFT RENEWAL TO AIR OPERATING PERMIT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that the Northwest Clean Air Agency (NWCAA) will take action on and seeks comments on a draft renewal to the Air Operating Permit (AOP) for the following facility:

**Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc.  
8579 South Texas Road  
Anacortes, WA 98221**

The AOP compiles existing air quality requirements and permits into one comprehensive document and establishes monitoring, recordkeeping and reporting procedures to assure compliance. The AOP does not, in itself, approve any emission increases or decreases.

The draft renewal is to the existing Matheson Tri-Gas (formerly Linde Gas North America, Inc.) AOP issued on July 29, 2015. This renewal incorporates newly applicable federal regulations, corrects typos, and clarifies AOP monitoring requirements. No new construction activities are being approved.

Matheson Tri-Gas operates a Steam Methane Reformer to provide hydrogen and steam to the adjacent Puget Sound Refinery. Matheson Tri-Gas has been determined to be a support facility to the Puget Sound Refinery and is therefore a major source required to obtain an Air Operating Permit pursuant to Title V of the 1990 Federal Clean Air Act and chapter 173-401 of the Washington Administrative Code.

Copies of the draft AOP and supporting documents are available online for review at [http://nwcleanairwa.gov/the-latest/#public\\_notices](http://nwcleanairwa.gov/the-latest/#public_notices). Written comments relating to the issuance of this Air Operating Permit must be sent within 30 days of this notice to:

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A public hearing may be held if the NWCAA determines that there is significant public interest. Requests for a public hearing must be submitted within the comment period. Any such requests must indicate the interest of the person or organization filing the request, and describe why a public hearing is necessary.

The Northwest Clean Air Agency is publishing this Notice pursuant to the Washington State Clean Air Act (RCW 70.94). The AOP is issued pursuant to Chapter 173-401 WAC and Title V of the Federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990.