



PUBLIC NOTICE

NORTHWEST CLEAN AIR AGENCY

DRAFT ORDER OF APPROVAL TO CONSTRUCT

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that the Northwest Clean Air Agency (NWCAA) will take action and seeks comments on a draft permit, known as an Order of Approval to Construct (OAC), for the following facility:

**Metrie, Inc.
5575 Nordic Way
Ferndale, WA 98248**

Project Description: The permit will authorize Metrie to expand operation of two existing lumber drying kilns up to 5.84 million board feet total for the two kilns per year. Each kiln has a capacity of 80 thousand board feet per charge. Air quality modeling and a Health Impact Assessment (HIA) were performed to review impacts to ambient air quality from this project.

NWCAA prepared a draft permit (OAC 1319a) that will limit emissions of regulated air contaminants. The preliminary determination by NWCAA is that the project satisfies the requirement for using best available control technology (BACT) for regulated air contaminants, including air toxics, and complies with all applicable local, state and federal regulations established pursuant to Washington and Federal Clean Air Acts.

Because of the emissions of acetaldehyde and acrolein, this project required air quality modeling and a HIA review by a toxicologist at the Washington Department of Ecology's (Ecology). After review, Ecology determined that the project is permissible if constructed and operated as permitted.

Public Review: Interested parties may view the draft permit and associated technical support documents on the NWCAA's website <http://nwcleanairwa.gov/public-notices/>.

The NWCAA will accept comments and/or requests for a hearing until the close of business (4:30 p.m.) May 1, 2020. A public hearing will not be held unless one is requested.

Final Determination: The NWCAA will send copies of the final determination on the proposed project to all persons who submit comments and have provided a mailing address. The final determination will also be available for review at the NWCAA.

Appealing Decisions: Within 30 calendar days following the NWCAA's final determination on this matter, any person may petition the Washington State Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB) to review any condition of that decision (Chapter 371-08 WAC, and Chapter 43.21B RCW). Please see <http://www.eluho.wa.gov/Board/PCHB> for details regarding the appeal procedures.

For more information regarding this proposed project or NWCAA's preliminary permit determination, please call Christos Christoforou at 360-419-6839 or e-mail christosc@nwcleanairwa.gov.

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