

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## **NORTHWEST CLEAN AIR AGENCY**

### **DRAFT AIR OPERATING PERMIT**

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

**Ershigs, Inc.**  
**742 Marine Drive**  
**Bellingham, Washington 98225-1596**

Ershigs, Inc (Ershigs) fabricates engineered fiberglass products, including tanks/vessels, piping and ducting, scrubbers, and other specialty fiberglass reinforced plastics (FRP). The facility also operates a metal shop that fabricates molds, fittings, and structural components as needed to support production of FRP materials.

Ershigs is required to obtain an air operating permit (AOP) under Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations Part 70 (40 CFR 70) because the facility has the potential to emit more than 10 tons per year of styrene, a hazardous air pollutant (HAP). Styrene is a regulated HAP as listed in Section 112(b) of the federal Clean Air Act. Ershigs releases styrene during mixing, layup, and curing of polyester resins.

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 approve emission increases or require emission decreases. The AOP must be renewed every 5 years. This action is a renewal of the existing AOP. For more information, see <http://nwcleanairwa.gov/permits-and-services/major-sources-of-air-pollution/>.

Copies of the draft AOP and supporting documents are available from the NWCAA office, or online at [www.nwcleanairwa.gov](http://www.nwcleanairwa.gov) under "Public Notices." Written comments relating to the issuance of this AOP must be sent within 30 days of this notice to:

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NWCAA may hold a public hearing if the agency 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.

NWCAA 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.

Contact Jason Bouwman with any questions about this notice at the addresses above, or by phone at 360-428-1617.