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## **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:

**Puget Sound Energy, Sumas Generating Station  
1340 Thompson Lane  
Sumas, WA 98295**

Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (PSE) owns and operates the Sumas Generating Station (PSE Sumas). PSE Sumas is comprised of a single natural gas fired turbine used to generate 125 megawatts of electricity for the local PSE grid, a steam turbine generator, a cooling tower, and a 500 kilowatt diesel fired emergency generator. PSE Sumas must obtain an air operating permit due to applicability of the acid rain provisions of Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 72 and 75 (40 CFR 72 &75).

Emissions of air pollutants from PSE Sumas do not exceed the thresholds that require an air operating permit. PSE Sumas must obtain an air operating permit due to applicability of the acid rain provisions of Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 72 and 75 (40 CFR 72 &75).

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 online for review at [http://nwcleanairwa.gov/the-latest/#public\\_notices](http://nwcleanairwa.gov/the-latest/#public_notices). Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, NWCAA offices are closed to the public so documents cannot be viewed at the NWCAA office; however, copies of documents will be sent to you upon request. Written comments relating to the issuance of this AOP modification must be sent April 10, 2021. Submit comments and/or requests for documents 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.