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PUBLIC NOTICE

DRAFT AIR OPERATING PERMIT RENEWAL

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 – Fredonia Generating Station
13085 Ball Road
Mount Vernon, WA 98273**

Puget Sound Energy (PSE) owns and operates the Fredonia Generating Station (PSE Fredonia), which is located just south of the Skagit Regional Airport in Skagit County, WA. The facility consists of four combustion turbines, oil mist collection systems, one distillate fuel storage tank, a water purification system, an emergency generator, and an electrical substation. The facility has a rated output capacity of approximately 335 megawatts (MW). PSE Fredonia is permitted to fire either natural gas or diesel fuel in the combustion turbines.

PSE Fredonia is required to have an air operating permit (AOP) because the facility has the potential to emit more than 100 tons per year of nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide, carbon monoxide and particulate matter. These air pollutants are defined as regulated pollutants in Chapter 173-401 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC). In addition, PSE Fredonia is also required to have an AOP because it is subject to Title IV of the Federal Clean Air Act (the Acid Rain program).

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. 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. 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 renewal must be sent within 30 days of this notice issuance. 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.