

## Longview Fibre Paper and Packaging, Inc.

### Comment period and public hearing

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) invites you to comment on proposed Variance No. 7370 for Longview Fibre Paper and Packaging (LFPP).

We are accepting public comment from February 9 through March 11, 2010.

- Written or e-mail comments must be received by 10:00 p.m. on March 11, 2010. See the side panel for where to submit written comments.
- A public hearing will be held on March 11 for the public to ask questions and submit verbal comments. See the side panel for more information about location and time of the hearing.

### Background

LFPP requested this variance while permitting a large project. The variance applies to:

- Recovery Furnace 22 (RF22)
- Smelt Dissolving Tank 22 (SDT22).

Each unit has a current operating limit of 1950 tons black liquor solids per day for a 30-day averaging period.

Based on short duration trials, the mill has determined these units can, in their current configurations, operate at higher rates. If the variance were not granted, LFPP would operate these units plus an additional recovery furnace and smelt dissolving tank at lower operating rates to meet increased product demand.

### DATES AND LOCATIONS

#### Comment Period

February 9 – March 11, 2010

#### Public Hearing

March 11, 2010

6:30 p.m.

Cowlitz County PUD Auditorium

961 12<sup>th</sup> Ave

Longview, WA 98632

Read the proposed variance at these locations:

#### Longview Main Public Library

1600 Louisiana

Longview, WA 98632

(360) 442-5300

#### WA Department of Ecology

Industrial Section

300 Desmond Way SE

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(360) 407-6942

Online:

[http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/s/wfa/industrial/pulp\\_longview.html](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/s/wfa/industrial/pulp_longview.html)

#### Submit written comments to:

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The variance:

- Allows the units to operate at rates higher than current operating limits while pursuing the new permit.
- Applies only to the operating rate, not the emission limit. The mill must continue to meet all emission limits.
- Has a maximum duration of one year.

Ecology has determined it is in the best interest of LFPP and the local community to issue this variance. We propose approval of it, in accordance with RCW 70.94.181.

Benefits of approving the variance include:

- Net reduction in emissions.
- Opportunity to test RF22 and SDT22 pollution control equipment at higher rates of operation to assist the permitting process.
- More efficient mill operation and associated cost savings.

This variance applies to the mill's Prevention of Significant Deterioration Permit and Air Operating Permit.