

Kimberly-Clark

Opportunity to comment

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) invites you to comment on the proposed Air Operating Permit (AOP) for the Kimberly-Clark pulp and paper mill in Everett.

We will accept comments by mail, fax or e-mail June 29, 2011 – July 29, 2011. You may request a public hearing to ask questions and submit verbal comments. To request a hearing or further information, such as the permit application, contact:

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If we determine there is significant public interest during this comment period to hold a hearing, we will extend the comment period to allow at least 30 days notice of the hearing and will publish the time, date and location. Once the comment period ends, we will review comments and make appropriate changes before finalizing and issuing the permit.

Changes to the permit

The mill's current permit was issued August 31, 2005. Changes in the proposed renewal of the permit include:

- Modification to Power Boiler #14 applicable requirements.
- Modifications changing hazardous air pollutant (HAP) surrogate monitoring parameters for:
 - Recovery boiler #10, condition B.3.
 - Chlorine dioxide generator, condition H1.
- Including credible evidence requirement in condition 19.

Read the permit's statement of basis for more information on these changes.

DATES AND LOCATIONS

Comment period

June 29, 2011 – July 29, 2011

Read the proposed permit at these locations:

Everett Main Public Library
2702 Hoyt Avenue
Everett, WA 98201

Department of Ecology
Industrial Section
300 Desmond Way SE
Lacey, WA 98503
(360) 407-6916

Online:

<http://apps.ecy.wa.gov/industry/proposed.asp>

Submit written comments to:

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Air Operating Permits

The Environmental Protection Agency delegated responsibility for this permit to Ecology. It is:

- Issued every five years.
- Required of facilities emitting large amounts of air pollutants.
- A legally enforceable document.
- Required for the mill to operate.

It:

- Compiles applicable federal and state laws, rules and orders into one document, which
- Requires monitoring, testing and record keeping for specified emissions.
- Requires regular reporting, annual statement by the mill that it met its air requirements in the permit.
- Gives Ecology authority to set additional monitoring requirements to ensure compliance.
- Provides the public with legal options if the mill doesn't comply with its air emissions limits.
- Can't include additional limits or standards outside federal/state law unless written into a legal order and put into effect.

Facility description

The Kimberly-Clark mill is located at 2600 Federal Avenue, Everett, WA. Primary products are sulfite pulp, tissue paper and other paper products. They employ about 850 employees.