

# Comment period and hearing notice

**Waste 2 Resources Program**

**November 2012**

## Cosmo Specialty Fibers, Inc.

### Opportunity to comment

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) invites you to comment on the proposed Air Operating Permit and Administrative Order No. 9585 for the Cosmo Specialty Fibers (Cosmo) pulp mill.

We will accept comments by mail, fax or e-mail November 16 – December 21, 2012. A public meeting to share information and answer questions, followed by a hearing to accept formal comments, will take place:

Date: December 17, 2012  
Time: Starting at 6:30 p.m.  
Location: Grays Harbor College, Fireside Room,  
1620 Edward P. Smith Drive, Aberdeen, WA

### Proposed permit

The air operating permit compiles requirements the mill must comply with, such as:

- Air emission limits.
- Monitoring and reporting requirements.
- Facility-wide requirements.

The permit also includes citations to Ecology's regulatory authority.

The list of changes between the current and the proposed permit is located on pg. 21 of the permit's support document. A support document explains legal and technical issues Ecology considered when writing the permit. It also discusses mill pollution control equipment and compliance demonstration methods.

### DATES AND LOCATIONS

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#### Public meeting/hearing

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Fireside Room  
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Aberdeen, WA 98520

#### Read the proposed permit and order at these locations:

Aberdeen Timberland  
Library  
121 E. Market Street  
Aberdeen, WA 98520

Dept of Ecology  
300 Desmond Dr SE  
Lacey, WA 98503

Online at  
[http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/swfa/industrial/pulp\\_weyerco.html](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/swfa/industrial/pulp_weyerco.html)

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**Proposed order**

Administrative Order No. 9585:

- Rescinds the November 16, 2006 bleach plant maximum achievable control technology (MACT) I compliance date in Order No. 2484-AQ-05.
- Sets a new bleach plant MACT compliance date.

The 2006 order required Weyerhaeuser, the former owner of the mill site, to comply with MACT I bleach plant requirements for emissions of hazardous air pollutants (HAPs) by November 12, 2006. This date was set in anticipation of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) promulgating the rules for this type of industry. However, EPA never finalized the rules and due to economic conditions, Weyerhaeuser closed the mill in September 2006.

Proposed Order No. 9585 requires Cosmo Specialty Fibers to comply with 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 43, Subpart S for the bleach plant emissions for HAPs within the time, or an earlier time decided by EPA, as specified in 40 CFR Part 63, 63.440(d)(2).

**Facility information**

Cosmo Specialty Fibers, Inc. is a magnesium based dissolving sulfite pulp mill located at 1701 1<sup>st</sup> Street in Cosmopolis. It currently produces acetate, viscose and ether grade pulp.

Read the [proposed permit](#) online at:

[http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/swfa/industrial/pulp\\_weyercos.html](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/swfa/industrial/pulp_weyercos.html)

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