

Notice Inviting Written Public Comment

Notice is hereby given that the Air Pollution Control Officer of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District has issued a preliminary Determination of Compliance for the Valero Cogeneration Power Plant Project [Applications number 2488 and 2695]. The project is a nominal 102 megawatts (MW) consisting of two 51 MW gas turbines and associated Heat Recovery Steam Generators. The equipment will be fired primarily on refinery fuel gas. The Power Plant will be located at the Valero Refining Company in Benicia, California (Solano County).

The Cogeneration Power Plant will utilize the Best Available Control Technology (BACT) to mitigate the project's air pollution. The proposed power plant, with BACT controls, is projected to emit the following maximum quantities of regulated air pollutants:

Nitrogen Oxides	57.2 tons per year
Carbon Monoxide	139.7 tons per year
Particulate Matter (PM ₁₀)	13.6 tons per year
Precursor Organic Compounds	16.9 tons per year
Sulfur Dioxide	43.8 tons per year

Pursuant to District Regulation 2-2-407, the Air Pollution Control Officer invites written public comment on the preliminary Determination of Compliance and its intended action.

The preliminary Determination of Compliance is available for public inspection at the Public Information and Education Office located on the 5th floor of District headquarters at 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco CA, 94109. The document is also available on the District website at www.baaqmd.gov. Written comments should be directed to Douglas W. Hall, Supervising Air Quality Engineer, in the District Permit Services Division, by September 20, 2001.

Dated at San Francisco, the 16th day of August 2001

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