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## **Martinez Cogen Limited Partnership Gets Preliminary OK for Title V Permit**

The Air District has made a preliminary decision to grant a Title V permit to the Martinez Cogen Limited Partnership, for the production of steam and electricity at their cogeneration plant. The facility operates two natural gas/refinery gas fired combustion turbine generators. The exhaust gases from the turbines are ducted to unfired heat recovery boilers, which generate steam that powers a steam turbine to generate additional power. Excess power is sold to off-site users.

The public comment period is from May 14, 2004 until June 25, 2004. During the public comment period, any member of the public may comment on any aspect of the proposed permit. A copy of the proposed permit can be found:

- 1) At the Martinez Public Library, 740 Court Street, Martinez, or
- 2) On the Air District web site at [www.baaqmd.gov](http://www.baaqmd.gov) (follow the Title V links),
- 3) At the Air District, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco. For an appointment call May Leung at (415) 749-4729.
- 4) For a hard copy of the permit, call the Public Information Office at (415) 749-4900 or write to: BAAQMD, Attn: Title V Permit Request, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109.

Written comments should be directed to Ted Hull, at the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109 or by email to [rhull@baaqmd.gov](mailto:rhull@baaqmd.gov).

### What is Title V?

Title V is part of the 1990 amendments to the Clean Air Act, and requires all state and local governments to develop and implement operating permits for all major pollution emitting facilities. The EPA oversees these permit programs and the Air District is charged with implementing them in the Bay Area, in accordance with Federal guidelines.

Title V is intended to clarify the complex air quality permitting process by consolidating the multitude of federal, state, and local air pollution control regulations into one summary operating permit that covers all aspects of a facility's year-to-year air pollution activities. The Title V operating permit program is implemented under Air District Regulation 2, Rule 6. Public comment is important to the Title V process. A final decision will incorporate consideration of public comments on the proposal.

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