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Duke Energy Oakland Power Plant Title V Permit Public Comment Period is Open

The public comment period ends August 13, 2005.

The Air District has completed its preliminary review of the Title V permit for the Duke Energy Oakland Power Plant, located at 50 Martin Luther King Jr. Way in Oakland. The permit has now advanced to the public comment stage of the Title V process. The facility is a power plant with six turbines of 27.5 MW each that produce electrical power for commercial sale and distribution. The facility also has miscellaneous maintenance sources, such as a wipe cleaning operation, and an emergency diesel generator.

This is a re-issue of an existing permit. The public comment period ends August 13, 2005. 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 Oakland Public Library, located at 125 14th Street, Oakland, and 1801 Adeline Street in Berkeley, or
- 2) On the Air District web site at 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 Sanjeev Kamboj, at the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109 or by email to skamboj@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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