

NOTICE INVITING WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District has decided to invite written public comments on the proposed Significant Revision of the Major Facility Review Permit for the following facility:

Application#	Plant #	Plant Name	Address City	Type of Operation
579	B1326	PE-Berkeley, Inc.	University of California, Berkeley Campus Berkeley, CA 94720	Steam, Electricity

The purpose of the significant revision is to allow an increase in the carbon monoxide emissions from a maximum of 919 lb/day to 2195 lb/day or 178.64 tons/yr when burning natural gas. This increase was requested to enable the facility to use steam injection for control on nitrogen oxides. The nitrogen oxide limit was lowered on January 1, 2000, from 30.2 ppmdv to 20.2 ppmdv, pursuant to the District's Regulation 9, Rule 9. Also, the nitrogen oxide and sulfur dioxide monitoring requirement in the Federal New Source Performance Standards will be subsumed by monitoring for District requirements.

This significant revision is also a major modification of the facility due to the increase in carbon monoxide, and therefore subject to the Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) provisions of BAAQMD 2-2-305. A CO modeling analysis submitted by PE Berkeley in accordance with BAAQMD Regulation 2-2-414 indicates that the proposed modification would not interfere with the attainment or maintenance of the applicable National Ambient Air Quality Standard for CO. No PSD increment was consumed, because there will no be increase in nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide, or particulate emissions.

The Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer (EO/APCO) invites written comment on the above proposed permit. Comments must be received within 30 days of the date of publication. Any member of the public may also request that the EO/APCO hold a public hearing on this matter.

Major Facility Review Permits are also subject to review and approval by US EPA. If US EPA has not objected to this proposed permit modifications and District has not addressed a public comment in a satisfactory manner, the public may petition US EPA, Region IX, Operating Permits Section at 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105, within 60 days after the end of US EPA's review, to reconsider the issuance of the modified permit.

The proposed Major Facility Review revised permit and application are available for public inspection at the District Headquarters, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109, in the Permit Services Division, 3rd Floor. The permit is also available on the District's webpage at the following address: <http://www.baaqmd.gov/permit/t5/NOTIFICA.HTM>. Comments should be directed to Dharam Singh, Telephone (415) 749-4714, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109.

Dated at San Francisco, the 14th day of June, 2000.

Signed by Ellen Garvey
Ellen Garvey
Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer
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