

Public Notice: Request for Comments



Notice of Intent to Approve a Ten-Year Post-Closure Permit Renewal for Wabtec – Motive Power Facility (Docket # 10HW-1305)

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What Is Proposed? The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is proposing to approve a ten-year permit renewal for the Hazardous Waste Post-Closure Permit at the Wabtec Corporation – MotivePower Facility (MP Facility). The permit is based on a new application developed by MP, as required under Idaho's Hazardous Waste Management Act. This permit is not unilaterally approved by DEQ. Prior to approval, you (the public) and the applicant are provided an opportunity to comment on the draft permit. The draft permit provides procedures intended to accomplish post-closure corrective action and groundwater monitoring activities. The Permit Renewal Application and Post-Closure Permit for the Wabtec Corporation – MotivePower Facility were reviewed for technical adequacy, found to be complete, and are hereby proposed for approval.

Facility Description: The MP Facility closed and capped two hazardous waste management units and a solid waste disposal trench in 1988. Following closure, a post-closure permit was initiated to address corrective action, groundwater monitoring, inspection, and maintenance procedures for the MP Facility. The Facility submitted a Permit Renewal Application in February 2012, updating the application to reflect current RCRA regulations, and defining changes in groundwater corrective action programs on-site and off-site. The permit, in its entirety, is open for public review and comment.

Where Can I Get More Information?

In person: A copy of the Wabtec Corporation – MotivePower Facility Draft Post-Closure Permit and a Fact Sheet are available for review at the Idaho DEQ State Office, located at 1410 North Hilton in Boise Idaho.

Online: The Fact Sheet and draft permit are available on line via the DEQ Web Site www.deq.idaho.gov/public-comment-opportunities

By Phone: Call Jenny Shafer at (208) 373-0502.

When Are Written Comments Due? 5 p.m., M.S.T., September 23, 2013. Comments should be addressed to Mr. Robert Bullock, c/o Jenny Shafer, at 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706.

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Who Is Responsible For Implementing This Permit?
Wabtec Corporation – MotivePower Facility.

What Are DEQ's Responsibilities? DEQ is the regulatory agency that helps protect and enhance Idaho's water and air quality, and helps ensure proper management and disposal of hazardous and solid wastes. One way DEQ does this is by requiring permits and plans for certain activities.

What Legal Requirements Apply? Idaho's rules for administrative procedure require that DEQ provide the public, through a newspaper notice, the opportunity to submit written comments on the draft post-closure permit.

What Happens Next? DEQ will consider any comments and/or requests for a hearing, and either announce a time and place for a hearing, modify the proposed permit, or approve the permit as proposed.