

US EPA ARCHIVE DOCUMENT

\*\*\*PUBLIC NOTICE\*\*\*

## Lone Star NGL Fractionators, LLC, Mont Belvieu FRAC III Gas Plant

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF PROPOSED PERMIT AND PUBLIC HEARING, AND REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT OF PROPOSED CLEAN AIR ACT GREENHOUSE GAS PREVENTION OF SIGNIFICANT DETERIORATION PRECONSTRUCTION PERMIT

Public Comment Period March 7, 2014 - April 7, 2014

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) provides notice of and requests public comment on the EPA's proposed action relating to the Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) permit application for the Lone Star NGL Fractionators, LLC, Mont Belvieu Gas Plant. EPA is issuing notice of a draft PSD permit for the Lone Star NGL facility that if finalized would regulate the greenhouse gas (GHG) air pollutant emissions associated with the project to construct a third fractionation train in accordance with the PSD regulation (40 CFR 52.21). The installation of the new equipment will occur at the existing facility, which is located at 9850 FM 1942 Baytown, TX 77521.

Under the provisions of 40 CFR 52.21 (except paragraph (a)(1)), EPA region 6 implements a GHG Federal Implementation Plan (FIP) for Texas. *See 40 CFR 52.2305*. EPA concludes that Lone Star's application is subject to PSD review for the pollutant GHGs, as the project will result in increased greenhouse gas emissions for a facility described at 40 CFR 52.21(b)(49)(v). The proposed project consists of the construction of a fractionation plant that will include an amine unit, mole sieve unit, deethanizer distillation columns, debutanizer distillation columns, and a depropanizer unit. The new plant construction will include the installation of new hot oil and regeneration heaters, and a new thermal oxidizer. The project will utilize an existing air assisted flare to control fugitives from the fractionation train. Electric driven compressors will also be constructed, but are not sources of GHG emissions subject to PSD review.

Any interested individual may submit written comments on EPA's proposed PSD permit for the project. All written comments on EPA's proposed action must be received by the EPA via email by April 7, 2014, or post-marked by April 7, 2014. Comments must be sent or delivered in writing to Nevine Salem at one of the following addresses.

EPA Contact: Nevine Salem  
Phone Number: (214) 665-7222  
E-Mail: [salem.nevine@epa.gov](mailto:salem.nevine@epa.gov)  
U.S. Mail: Nevine Salem  
Air Permits Section (6PD-R)  
U.S. EPA, Region 6  
1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200  
Dallas, TX 75202

All comments on the draft permit must be received in writing through email or postmarked by April 7, 2014 to the respective address above. EPA will respond to and consider all comments in making the final decision regarding the issuing of the permit. The EPA will not respond to individual commenters directly, and similar comments may be grouped together in the response.

Additionally, all comments will be included in the public docket without change, and may be made available to the public, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

Thus, CBI or other protected information should be clearly identified as such, and should not be submitted through email. Any emails sent directly to the EPA will capture your email address automatically, which will then be included as a part of the public comment. *Please note that an email or postal address must be provided if you wish to receive direct notification of EPA's final decision regarding the permit and responses to comments submitted during the public comment period.* An extension of the 30 day comment period may be granted if the request for an extension adequately demonstrates why additional time is required to prepare comments.

**Public Hearing:** If there is a significant amount of public interest in the draft permit, the EPA may hold a public hearing. Any requests for a public hearing must be received by the EPA via email or mail by April 1, 2014, and must state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. Attendance at the public hearing is not required in order to submit written comments. *If the EPA determines that there is significant public interest*, a public hearing will be held on April 16, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following location:

Mont Belvieu Senior's Center (Senior's Hall): Dining Hall  
11607 Eagle Drive  
Mont Belvieu, TX 77580  
(281) 576-2213

The public comment period will automatically be extended to the close of the public hearing in the event that a public hearing is held. Furthermore, the EPA maintains the right to cancel a public hearing if no request for a public hearing is received by April 1, 2014 or EPA determines that there is not a significant public interest. *If the hearing is cancelled*, EPA will post an announcement of the cancellation by April 4, 2014 on the EPA's website <http://yosemite.epa.gov/r6/Apermit.nsf/AirP>. Individuals may also call the EPA at the above contact number to determine if the public hearing has been cancelled.

**Permit documents:** EPA's draft permit, EPA's preliminary determination and statement of basis, Lone Star's permit application and supporting documentation, and all comments received from the public, other government agencies, and the applicant during the public comment period become part of the administrative record for the permit. In addition, all data submitted by the applicant is available as a part of the administrative record. The public can access the administrative record at the following locations (please call in advance for available viewing times):

**West Chambers Branch Library**  
10616 Eagle Drive  
Mont Belvieu, TX 77580  
Phone: 281-576-2245

**EPA Region 6 Office**  
1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200  
Dallas, TX 75202  
Phone: 214-665-7200

**Final Determination:** A final decision to issue a permit or to deny the application for the permit shall be made after all comments have been considered. Notice of the final decision shall be sent to each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice of the final permit decision, provided the EPA has adequate contact information.