

PUBLIC NOTICE

M&G Resins USA, LLC

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

M&G Resins USA, LLC PET Plant Permit Number: PSD-TX-1352-GHG

M&G Resins USA, LLC Utility Plant Permit Number: PSD-TX-1354-GHG

Public Comment Period October 14, 2014 to November 13, 2014

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) provides notice of and requests public comments on the EPA's proposed actions relating to Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) permit applications for an M&G Resins USA, LLC (M&G),construction project in Corpus Christi, TX. If finalized, the permits would regulate greenhouse gas (GHG) pollutant emissions associated with the project to build and operate a new resin manufacturing complex consisting of a chemical process plant dedicated to production of polyethelene terephthalate (PET) and a utility plant as a support facility. The PET plant and co-located utility plant would be located at 7001 Joe Fulton International Trade Corridor Corpus Christi, TX, 78409..

Under the provisions of 40 CFR § 52.21 (except paragraph (a)(1)), EPA Region 6 implements a greenhouse gas PSD Federal Implementation Plan (FIP) for Texas. *See* 40 CFR § 52.2305. EPA concludes that the project would constitute a new major source that is subject to PSD review for GHG emissions and proposes that PSD requirements be applied through two permits, one for the resins plant and one for the utility plant. The permits together address project GHG emissions. The utility plant permit proposes requirements for two possible configurations--one for steam production and one for combined heat and power. Only one option for the utility plant may be selected for construction.

Any interested individual may submit written comments on EPA's proposed PSD permits for this project. Please designate which permits your comments address. All comments must be received in writing by November 13, 2014, or postmarked by November 13, 2014, to Brad Toups at one of the following addresses:

EPA Contact: Brad Toups

Phone Number: (214) 665-7258

E-mail: toups.brad@epa.gov

U.S. Mail:

Brad Toups (6PD-R) Air Permits Section U.S. EPA Region 6 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 Dallas, TX 75202

EPA will consider and respond to all comments in making the final decision regarding the issuing of the permit. Similar comments may be grouped together in the response, and the EPA will not respond to individual commenters directly.

Additionally, all comments will be included in the administrative record 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. Emails sent directly to the EPA will capture your email address automatically and will be included as a part of the public comment. *Please note that an email or postal address must be provided with your comments if you wish to receive responses to comments submitted during the public comment period and direct notification of EPA's final decision regarding the permit.*

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 EPA determines that there is a significant amount of public interest in the draft permit, the EPA has the right to hold a public hearing. Any request for a public hearing must be received by the EPA either by email or mail by November 6, 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 November 17, 2014, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the following location:

Owen R. Hopkins Public Library

3202 McKinzie Rd. Corpus Christi, TX 78410 (361) 826-2350

Discussion of the M&G Utility Plant permit application will take place from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Discussion of the M&G Resins Plant permit application will take place from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. If a public hearing is held, the public comment period shall automatically be extended to the close of the public hearing. The EPA maintains the right to cancel a public hearing if no request for a public hearing is received by November 6, 2014, or the EPA determines that there is not a significant interest. <u>If the public hearing is cancelled</u>, notification of the cancellation will be posted by November 10, 2014, on the EPA's Website <u>http://yosemite.epa.gov/r6/Apermit.nsf/AirP</u>. Individuals may also call the EPA at the contact number listed above to determine if the public hearing has been cancelled.

Permit Documents: EPA's draft permits, EPA's preliminary determination and statements of basis, applications and supporting documentation from M&G Resins USA, LLC, and comments received from the public, other government agencies, and the applicants during the public comment period become part of the administrative record for the permits. In addition, all data submitted by the applicants is available as a part of the administrative record. The public can access the administrative record for both permits at the following locations (please call in advance for available viewing times):

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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 applications for both permits shall be made after all comments have been considered. Notice of the final decisions shall be sent to each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice of the final permit decisions, provided the EPA has adequate contact information.