



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

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Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 445B, the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445B, and the Clean Air Act, the Division of Environmental Protection is issuing the following notice.

The Administrator received an application to issue an operating permit for Renewal of a Class I facility from the following applicant:

Caithness Dixie Valley LLC
P.O. Box 1270
Fallon, Nevada, 89407

The project is located approximately 68 miles northeast of Fallon, Nevada in rural Dixie Valley in Churchill County. Caithness Dixie Valley owns and operates a geothermal power plant permitted to generate up to 65 MW (net) of electricity. The site consists of a dual flash power plant, geothermal production and injection wells, and other associated ancillary equipment. The Administrator has prepared tentative determinations regarding the Renewal operating permit that, in brief, are the following:

- Two Black-Start Generators;
- One Mechanical Draft, Counter-flow Cooling Tower;
- Insignificant Ancillary Equipment: four emergency diesel generators, six waste oil space heaters, several diesel and lube oil storage tanks;
- Adverse ambient air quality impacts are not expected.

On the basis of the preliminary review and the requirements of the NRS, the NAC and the Clean Air Act, the Administrator is hereby announcing his intent to issue a Renewal of Class I Air Quality Operating Permit based on a review of the information, as proposed. A copy of the draft Renewal operating permit is available for public inspection at:

CHURCHILL COUNTY LIBRARY
553 SOUTH MAINE STREET
FALLON NV 89406
(775) 423-7581

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding this proposed action or to request a hearing pursuant to NRS 445B Air Pollution and NAC 445B Air Controls should submit their comments or request in writing either in person or by mail or fax within thirty (30) days to:

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The application, draft permit, any comments received, and other relevant information may be copied at the above address or copies may be obtained by requesting in writing at the above address. Written comments or objections, will be received at the Division of Environmental Protection, above address, until October 30, 2006, and will be retained and considered prior to final action on the Class I operating permit. Upon a valid written request received prior to the end of the comment period, the Administrator will schedule a public hearing on the application and proposed action.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know may be interested in this matter.

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