



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

Web Posting Date: June 11, 2009

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes. The Administrator has received a complete application to renew NDEP Groundwater Discharge Permit NEV2000510 from the following applicant:

Titanium Metals Corporation
PO Box 2128
Henderson, NV 89009

The Permittee operates the Titanium Metals (TIMET) production facility, located in the Black Mountain Industrial (BMI) Complex in Henderson, Clark County, Nevada. The Permittee has applied for renewal of an existing zero-discharge permit for the TIMET Water Conservation Facility (WCF), which treats various process streams from the production of titanium metal. The facility treats up to 0.46 MGD of clarified process fluids in a reverse osmosis (R/O) treatment system. The R/O system produces a highly treated permeate, which is discharged to the Las Vegas Wash under NPDES permit NV0000060, and a liquid waste stream, which is discharged to double-lined and leak-detected evaporation ponds. Operation of the facility also results in production of approximately 25 tons/day of low-moisture filtered solids. The solids are stored temporarily within structures to contain any incidental moisture, and are disposed of at approved facilities off site. Permit limitations are designed to protect the water quality of waters of the State of Nevada.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS), and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to renew the permit to discharge, subject to certain effluent limitations and special conditions.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand-delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on July 13, 2009, either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, Nevada 89701

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Comments and/or hearing requests received via facsimile or e-mail before 5:00 P.M. July 13, 2009 will also be accepted. All requests for hearings must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reason(s) why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day comment period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. The public notice of such hearings will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the public hearing date. If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Janine Hartley, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9458, or at jhartley@ndep.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. This notice and the Fact Sheet for this facility are also available on the NDEP website at www.ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm.

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

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