

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

by the  
State of Nevada  
Division of Environmental Protection  
Bureau of Air Pollution Control

PUBLIC NOTICE

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

The Administrator received an application to issue a Phase-2 Mercury Operating Permit to Construct from the following applicant:

- 1) Barrick, Bald Mountain Mine      Bald Mountain      PO Box 2706      Elko, NV 89803

The Administrator has prepared tentative determinations regarding the operating permit that, in brief, affects the following sources at Barrick, Bald Mountain Mine: one propane fired carbon regeneration kiln, one propane fired bullion furnace, one electro-winning circuit and one barren strip solution tank.

The tentative Phase-2 Mercury Operating Permit to Construct activities include monitoring, recordkeeping, annual stack testing for mercury emissions, annual emissions reporting, annual mercury co-product reporting, limits of operation and work practice standards which minimize emissions of mercury to the atmosphere

On the basis of the preliminary review and the requirements of the NRS and the NAC, the Administrator is hereby announcing her intent to issue the Phase-2 Mercury Operating Permit to Construct based on review of the information, as proposed. A copy of the draft operating permit is available for public inspection at:

EUREKA BRANCH LIBRARY, 10190 MONROE STREET , EUREKA, NV 89316

Persons wishing to comment upon the tentative 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 April 30, 2011 and will be retained and considered prior to final action on the Phase-2 Mercury Operating Permit to Construct.

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