

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

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 has received an application for a Phase-2 Nevada Mercury Operating Permit to Construct from the following applicant:

*Plum Mining Company, LLC  
P.O. Box 1118  
Virginia City, Nevada 89440*

The Administrator has prepared tentative determinations regarding the Mercury Operating Permit to Construct (MOPTC) AP1041-2690 that, in brief, affect the construction and operation of (1) retort and (1) furnace.

The draft MOPTC proposes mercury emissions performance standards and mercury emissions control technologies determined to be NvMACT pursuant to NAC 445B.3683.2(b). Determination of the final NvMACT mercury emissions performance limit for the retort system:  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  gr/dscf mercury. Determination of proposed NvMACT mercury emissions control technology for the retort system: Mercury condenser equipped with a chiller and a carbon deep bed scrubber. Determination of the final NvMACT mercury emissions performance limit for the furnace system:  $1 \times 10^{-5}$  gr/dscf mercury. Determination of proposed NvMACT mercury emissions control technology for the furnace system: Carbon deep bed scrubber.

The tentative MOPTC 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. Other permit contents include a mercury emission limit for the retort and furnace system.

Pursuant to NAC 445B.3364(7), Public Notice was provided to the persons on a mailing list developed by the Director and made available to the general public in the Nevada Appeal on March 21, 2011.

Pursuant to NAC 445B.3364(9), the Director is providing notice of a Public Hearing on the proposed action. The Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, April 21, 2011 in Carson City, Nevada at 10:00am at the following location:

NEVADA DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
WATER RESOURCES, 2<sup>nd</sup> FLOOR  
901 S. STEWART STREET  
CARSON CITY, NEVADA 89701

Public comments will be received at the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Air Pollution Control, until close of public hearing on April 21, 2011.

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