

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

BUREAU OF AIR AND WASTE

Central Regional Office
8 New Bond Street Worcester, MA 01606

P U B L I C N O T I C E

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Environmental Protection, acting in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. chapter 111, Section 142A through 142E, will offer for public comment the following draft Operating Permit issued pursuant to 310 CMR 7.00: Appendix C.

The draft RENEWAL Operating Permit for Bellingham Power Generation, LLC, is being issued in accordance with 310 CMR 7.00: Appendix C(6). Since the initial Operating Permit was issued in 2005, there have been several changes to the facility's processes and emissions. These changes include, but are not limited to, software upgrades, reducing the minimum operating level, and increasing the turbine maximum rated heat capacity. As a result from these changes, the facility has reduced carbon dioxide emissions. The existing short term emission limits and annual emission limits have not changed, and the increased heat capacity of the turbines results in an increase in emissions under 1 ton per year for all air contaminants except nitrogen oxides, which shows an increase of 2.47 tons per year.

The purpose of the Operating Permit is to codify all of the facility's applicable requirements under the state and federal Clean Air Act, including monitoring, record keeping requirements and emission limitations, into a renewable Operating Permit. This action is required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as stated in its final rule approving the Department's Operating Permit program (Federal Register Vol. 61, No. 95 Wednesday May 15, 1996).

The draft RENEWAL Operating Permit is for:

FACILITY NAME: Bellingham Power Generation, LLC

APPLICANT: John Conroy

ADDRESS: 155 Maple Street, Bellingham, MA 02019

APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL NO.: X232337

The revised Renewal Application and MassDEP's draft Renewal are available on the EEA ePLACE Public Access Portal at <https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/PublicApp/>. * The original Renewal Application, revised Renewal Application, MassDEP's proposed decision, and the administrative record are available for inspection at MassDEP's Office at the above letterhead address. Comments may be submitted via the Public Access Portal, via electronic mail to CERO.Air@mass.gov, or via mail to the letterhead address above.

The public comment period will extend until, December 6, 2024. Under the provisions of 310 CMR 7.00: Appendix C(6)(f), a public hearing may be requested by any person by submitting a written request to the Regional Office, stating the nature of the issues to be raised at a public hearing. Based on the written request, the Department will determine if a public hearing will be held, and a 30-day written notice will be given. The duration of the public comment period shall automatically extend to the close of the public hearing as provided for at 310 CMR 7.00: Appendix C(6)(g).

Comments may be presented in writing until 5:00 PM on, December 6, 2024. Please submit written testimony via electronic mail or regular mail to

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By order of the Department,
Bonnie Heiple
Commissioner