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PUBLIC NOTICE

September 15, 2025

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) acting in accordance with the regulation 310 CMR 7.00: Appendix B(6)(d)3., is hereby providing Notice of a public comment period concerning Proposed Approval for the creation of emission reduction credits (ERCs) pursuant to 310 CMR 7.00: Appendix B. This Public Comment Notice is available in alternative languages (Español, Português, Ayisyen Kreyòl, 繁體中文, 简体中文, [山塚町市県 、Việt, Kriolu Kabuverdianu, Русский, عربی, Français) on MassDEP's website at: https://www.mass.gov/service-details/massdep-public-hearings-comment-opportunities.

MassDEP hereby proposes to approve the ERCs and hereby issues the Proposed Approval for:

Applicant: Mr. Joseph J. Michaud

The Newark Group, LLC

100 Newark Way, 85 Princeton Rd.

Fitchburg, MA 01420

Concerning Shutdown of Paper Machine EU3, and Boiler EU10, located at 100 Newark Way, 85 Princeton Rd., Fitchburg, MA 01420 (ePLACE Application No.: **25-AQ18-0002-APP**).

The Application and MassDEP's proposed decision are available on the EEA ePLACE Public Access Portal at https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/PublicApp/.* The Application, MassDEP's Proposed Decision, and the administrative record also are available for inspection at MassDEP's Office at the above letterhead address. Comments on the Proposed Decision must be submitted in writing by 5:00 PM on October 15, 2025. Comments may be submitted via the Public Access Portal, via electronic mail to Michael.Woodman@mass.gov, or via mail to the letterhead address above.

Failure of a person or group of ten persons to provide written comments on MassDEP's proposed decision shall result in the waiver of any right to request an adjudicatory hearing on MassDEP's decision pursuant to 310 CMR 7.51(1), Rules to Request an Adjudicatory Hearing.

Any person, or group of ten persons, who wants to receive a copy of MassDEP's final decision on the date MassDEP issues the decision to the applicant, must submit a written request via electronic mail or regular mail to:

Michael Woodman

Branch Chief, Air Stationary Sources, Bureau of Air and Waste

Email: Michael. Woodman@mass.gov

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* On the Main page, click on the orange "Search and/ or Comment" button and click on the application you wish to review or comment on.