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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
BUREAU OF WASTE PREVENTION**
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND EXTENSION OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Environmental Protection ("MassDEP"), acting in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 111, Sections 142A through 142K, will extend the public comment period and hold a public hearing on the following Draft Phase II Acid Rain and Draft Operating Permits. Pursuant to 310 CMR 7.00: Appendix C(6)(f), MassDEP at its own initiative is holding this public hearing. The United States Environmental Protection Agency as stated in its final rule adopted the Phase II Acid Rain Program promulgated at 40 CFR Part 72 and in its final rule approved MassDEP's Operating Permit Program (Federal Register Vol. 61, No. 95 Wednesday May 15, 1996).

The Draft Phase II Acid Rain Permit was issued in accordance with 310 CMR 7.00: Appendix C(3)(n) on October 21, 2008. The Phase II Acid Rain requirements will be issued and subsequently incorporated into the facility's Operating Permit, and renewed with the facility's Operating Permit. The purpose of the Phase II Acid Rain Permit is to detail the allocation of sulfur dioxide emission allowances per affected unit at the facility. The Draft Operating Permit was issued in accordance with 310 CMR 7.00: Appendix C(6) on September 30, 2008. The purpose of the Operating Permit is to codify all of the facility's applicable air quality requirements under the state and federal Clean Air Act, including monitoring, record keeping requirements and emission limitations, into a renewable Operating Permit.

The Draft Phase II Acid Rain and Operating Permits are for:

Facility Name: Dominion Energy Salem Harbor, LLC
Applicant: Michael Fitzgerald
Facility Address: 24 Fort Avenue
Salem, MA 01970
Transmittal No.: 101940

Public notice of the Draft Phase II Acid Rain and Draft Operating Permits was published by MassDEP in accordance with the requirements of 310 CMR 7.00: Appendix C(6) in the Environmental Monitor and the Salem News on October 8, 2008. The public comment period is currently scheduled to end on November 21, 2008. MassDEP, however, extends the public comment period to the end of a public hearing, as provided for at 310 CMR 7.00: Appendix C(6)(g). The public hearing will be held as set forth below:

Date: Thursday, December 11, 2008
Time: 7:00 PM
Location: Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP)
Metropolitan Boston/Northeast Regional Office
205B Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA 01887

The public hearing site is wheelchair accessible. For special accommodations for this event, please contact Cosmo Buttaro at (978) 694-3281 as soon as possible. This information is available in alternate format. Call Donald M. Gomes, ADA Coordinator at 617-556-1057, TDD# 866-539-7622 or 617-574-6868.

The public hearing will be conducted under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30A. Testimony may be presented orally and/or in writing no later than the conclusion of the public hearing. Written comments on the action noted above will also be accepted until the conclusion of the public hearing and must be addressed to the attention of James E. Belsky, Regional Permit Chief, Bureau of Waste Prevention at MassDEP's Metropolitan Boston/Northeast Regional Office noted above. Parties are requested to submit three (3) written copies of their testimony and/or comments.

Copies of the Draft Phase II Acid Rain and Draft Operating Permits and the applications are available for inspection at the above Regional Office by calling Cosmo Buttaro at (978) 694-3281. Copies of the Draft Phase II Acid Rain and Draft Operating Permits are also available for review at the City Hall and the Board of Health in Salem.

By Order of MassDEP

Laurie Burt
Commissioner