

**SITE ASSIGNMENT APPLICATION FOR MAJOR MODIFICATION
AKS Recycling, Inc., 15 Cobbler Drive, Fitchburg, MA 01420
EOEA No: 12424**

Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Waste Prevention
(Central Regional Office, 627 Main Street, Worcester, MA 01608; 505-792-7650)

Town/City of, Fitchburg, MA

Public Notice

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 111, Sections 150A and 150A 1/2 and the regulations promulgated there under, 310 CMR 16.00 "Site Assignment Regulations for Solid Waste Facilities," an Application for a Site Assignment Major Modification [§16.22(2)] has been filed by AKS Recycling, Inc. with the Fitchburg Board of Health and the Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Waste Prevention, Central Regional Office (627 Main Street, Worcester, MA) for the modification of the site assignment of a transfer station and solid waste facility area located at 15-35 Cobbler Drive in Fitchburg, MA 01420.

The area under consideration includes 6.45 acres owned by AKS Recycling, Inc. and 15± acres of the Old Fitchburg Landfill leased by AKS Recycling, and will be used for a transfer station and waste handling facility that will accept municipal and construction and demolition solid wastes at approximately 500 tons/day. The proponent is AKS Recycling, Inc., 15 Cobbler Drive, Fitchburg, MA 01420.

An Environmental Impact Report dated January 14, 2002 was submitted to the EOEA, and Certificate No: 12424 dated April 14, 2003 was issued for the Final EIR. The EIR was based on a combined total of 1,125 tons/day of solid waste entering the AKS Recycling property for three separate operations: (1) 400 tons/day of municipal solid waste and recyclables under the proposed transfer station and waste handling facility, (2) 350 tons/day of asphalt-brick-concrete solid waste under an existing Landfill Post-Closure Use Permit, and (3) 375 tons/day of asphalt shingles under a Determination of Need. The Fitchburg Board of Health granted a Site Assignment in January 2004 for the handling and processing of 350 tons/day of municipal solid waste and 50 tons/day of source-separated recyclables. The asphalt shingle recycling business was closed and is no longer in operation.

The proposed major modification is for a change from 350 tons/day of MSW and 50 tons/day of SSR, to 250 tons/day of MSW and 250 tons/day of construction and demolition solid waste. Because the asphalt shingle recycling business has been closed, the proposed net total tonnage of solid waste would be 850 tons/day, which represents a decrease of 275 tons/day of solid waste entering the AKS Recycling property from the daily tonnage used in the EIR. In a letter dated November 30, 2005, AKS Recycling requested a MEPA Advisory Opinion from the EOEA regarding the necessity to prepare a new EIR for the Application for Major Modification. In a letter dated January 20, 2006 the EOEA stated that a new EIR was not required and that the AKS facility as proposed under the Major Modification did not contain material changes that would result in any environmental impacts that were not previously discussed or reviewed in the original ENF submitted to the MEPA Office.

Copies of the Application Site Assignment Major Modification may be reviewed at the following locations and offices:

DEP Central Regional Office (627 Main Street, Worcester) between the hours of 8:45 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Mon.-Fri.

Fitchburg Board of Health (718 Main Street) between the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. on Mon - Fri.

Fitchburg Public Library (610 Main Street) between the hours of 9:00 A.M. to 8:30 P.M. on Mon. - Thurs., 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Fri. & Sat., 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Sun.

Leominster Health Department (25 West Street, Suite 11) between the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. on Mon. - Wed. & Fri., and 8:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. on Thurs.

Leominster Public Library (Crossroads Office Park, 690 Mechanic Street) between the hours of 9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. on Mon. – Thurs., 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Fri. & Sat., and 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Sun.
Lunenburg Board of Health (17 Main Street) between the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. on Mon. & Wed., and 8:30 A.M. to 6:30 P.M. on Tues.
Lunenburg Public Library (1023 Massachusetts Avenue) between the hours of 10:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. on Mon. - Thurs., and 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. on Sat.
Montachusett Regional Planning Commission (R1427 Water Street, Fitchburg) between the hours of 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Mon. - Fri.

The Department of Environmental Protection (the Department) shall receive comments on the proposed facility site for 21 days from the date the applicant provides proof to the Department that Public Notice has been published and that all other public notice requirements are completed. All comments regarding the assignment of this site should reference the DEP File # W070533, and be mailed to: Mr. John Regan, Solid Waste Section Chief, Bureau of Waste Prevention, Department of Environmental Protection, 627 Main Street, Worcester, MA 01698. For additional information or a copy of the application contact Alton Day Stone, PE (Alton Engineering, Sterling, MA) 978-660-7728, email: adaystone@verizon.net.

The applicant may modify the application for the initial forty (40) days of the review period where such modifications are deemed not to be major modifications. The Department shall issue a Department Report on Suitability within sixty (60) days of receiving proof from the applicant that all public notice requirements are completed.

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