



## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### **REICHHOLD, INC., TACOMA WASHINGTON**

#### **DRAFT DANGEROUS WASTE PERMIT FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION**

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) is making a draft permit available for public comment. This proposed permit is for a 52-acre former Reichhold manufacturing facility located at 3320, Lincoln Avenue in the Port of Tacoma. The corrective action permit incorporates by reference a corrective action agreed order and a corrective action management unit (CAMU) agreed interim action administrative order.

Until 1990, Reichhold managed dangerous waste at this location. The site has been undergoing cleanup since 1986, with most of the activity being conducted under a now expired EPA storage and corrective action permit issued in 1988. Ecology became the lead agency for oversight of the cleanup in 1997. The legal framework for the continued cleanup at the site is provided by the corrective action and CAMU orders. Under the corrective action order Reichhold will perform a focused remedial investigation in those areas of the site where the extent of soil and ground water contamination have not been fully defined, and a focused feasibility study to evaluate treatment alternatives for all site contaminants. Under the CAMU order Reichhold will manage the movement and remediation of soils contaminated with hazardous waste.

As the lead agency for the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), Ecology is responsible for the identification and evaluation of probable environmental impacts. After evaluating relevant information Ecology has determined that continued corrective actions will not have a significant environmental impact and has thus issued a determination of non-significance (DNS). The DNS will be included with the permit and agreed orders when they are issued for public comment.

Ecology is seeking public comment on this permit, the agreed orders and the DNS within 45 days of the date of this notice.

To get a copy of the draft permit and orders

Contact Stan Leja at 360-407-6345 (voice) or 711 or 1-800-833-6388 (TTY relay service), by email at [slej461@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:slej461@ecy.wa.gov) or at the address below, or visit Ecology's web site: [www.ecy.wa.gov](http://www.ecy.wa.gov)

To be considered, comments must be postmarked or received, by either email or hand delivery, by July 7, 2004.

To submit comments, send a letter or email to: Stan Leja at Department of Ecology, Hazardous Waste Program, Southwest Regional Office, PO Box 47775, Olympia, WA 98504-7775. If comments are emailed, please provide a name and US mail address.

Or hand deliver to: Stan Leja at Department of Ecology, Hazardous Waste & Toxics Reduction Program, Southwest Regional Office, 300 Desmond Drive, Lacey, WA 98503.

A public hearing may be scheduled if Ecology receives numerous comments or requests. Ecology will provide a thirty-day notice in advance of any scheduled hearing date.

Review the information Ecology used to make its tentative decision to issue the permit, between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., at:

Department of Ecology  
Hazardous Waste & Toxics Reduction Program  
Southwest Regional Office  
300 Desmond Drive, Lacey, WA 98503.

If significant interest is expressed in a hearing, Ecology will conduct a public hearing on June 22, 2004. To ask for a hearing, or special accommodations for the hearing (if held), contact Stan Leja by phone, letter, or e-mail by June 15, 2003. If there is no significant interest in the draft permit, then Ecology will cancel the hearing.

To find out if the public hearing will be held, contact Stan Leja after June 15, 2003. If the public hearing is held, it will be at the Kobetich Branch of the Tacoma Public Library on June 22, 2003. There will be an open house from 5pm to 8pm; a hearing will be held at 7pm. At the open house, visit with staff from Ecology and Reichhold to learn more about the draft permit and corrective actions at the site and to provide comments to the agency. At the hearing, provide testimony on the draft permit.

Ecology will consider and respond to all written comments and any comments or public testimony received during the open house and public hearing, if held. After considering the comments and testimony, the agencies will make final decisions or new tentative decisions.

If you would like to be on a list to receive mailings about future activities related to Reichhold's permits, or about activities related to permits for other hazardous waste facilities statewide, please contact Stan Leja.

*Ecology is an Equal Opportunity Agency. If you need this information in alternative format, or you have special accommodation needs for the hearing, contact Stan Leja, see above. Please call by June 15, 2004 to receive special accommodations for the hearing.*