

### Permit for AREVA NP Inc.

The Department of Ecology invites you to comment on a draft permit for AREVA NP Inc., to store dangerous and mixed wastes at its facility in north Richland.

#### What is the permit for?

AREVA makes nuclear fuel for commercial nuclear reactors under a license from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. The process produces dangerous and mixed wastes (wastes with both radioactive and chemically hazardous components). Ecology certified that AREVA's permit application was complete on February 17, 2009.

AREVA is required to have a dangerous waste permit from Ecology that regulates the storage of dangerous and mixed wastes. The permitted units are the Dangerous Waste Storage Facility and the Component Chemical Waste Storage Tank.



AREVA's Nuclear Fuel Fabrication Plant at 2101 Horn Rapids Road, Richland WA 99354

#### THINGS TO KNOW

##### Comment period

November 2 – December 18 2009

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##### To review permit and supporting documents, visit:

- Department of Ecology  
Nuclear Waste Program  
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(Call 509-372-7920 for an appointment)
- [www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/nwp/commentperiods.htm](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/nwp/commentperiods.htm)
- Richland Public Library  
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### **What kind of waste will the permit cover?**

AREVA's permit is only for storage of dangerous and mixed wastes. AREVA stores liquid waste in the Component Chemical Storage Tank. The permit will allow storage of up to 2000 gallons in the above-ground Component Chemical Storage Tank. AREVA stores other wastes, such as air filters, solvents, and rags, in approved containers such as drums or steel boxes. The permit will allow storage of up to 4500 55-gallon drums in the Dangerous Waste Storage Facility. The permit will allow AREVA to store the waste until it ships the wastes offsite to an approved disposal facility.

### **Will there be a public hearing?**

We don't plan to hold a hearing, but if there is strong interest, we will consider it.

### **How do you submit comments?**

Please submit comments by 5 p.m on December 18, 2009 via email, mail, fax, or hand-deliver to:

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