



Region 10: the Pacific Northwest

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Proposed Effluent Limitations Reissue Notice for a Wastewater Discharge Permit to Teck Alaska, Incorporated Red Dog Mine AK-003865-2

Applicant Contact:
Permit Number AK-003865-2
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About this Public Notice

Public Notice Issued:

April 25, 2011

Comments Due:

May 25, 2011

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How do I...?

- Comment on the proposed permit changes
- Comment on the State CWA 401 Certification
- Request a hearing
- View documents

Documents are available for review.

Background

Pursuant to 40 CFR 124.19(d), Region 10 of the United States Environmental Protection Agency is proposing to reissue certain portions of National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. AK-003865-2, which the Region issued to Teck Alaska Incorporated on January 8, 2010 ("2010 Permit"). EPA is proposing this action to address five effluent limitations (lead, zinc, selenium, WAD cyanide and total dissolved solids) that EPA withdrew from the 2010 Permit on March 17, 2010.

Tentative Determination

We have tentatively determined to reinstate the limitations for total dissolved solids and WAD cyanide from the 2010 Permit and apply the limitations of the 1998 permit for lead, selenium, and zinc.

State Certification

This Notice serves as Public Notice of ADEC's CWA § 401 Certification for the permit providing that the subject general permit complies with the applicable provisions of Sections 208(e), 301, 302, 303, 306 and 307 of the CWA. The proposed limitations will not be issued until the certification requirements of CWA § 401 relating to those limits have been met.

Public Comments

Persons wanting to comment on the five effluent limitations proposed or request that a public hearing be held, may do so in writing to EPA Region 10, Office of Water and Watersheds OWW-130, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900, Seattle, WA 98101 or via email to godsey.cindi@epa.gov by May 25, 2011. **Comments on any other permit conditions will not be considered.** A request for a public hearing should name the issues raised as well as the requester's name, address and telephone number. All comments should include the name, address and telephone number of the commenter and a concise statement of the exact basis of any comment and the relevant facts upon which it is based.

Persons wishing to comment on the request for Water Quality Certification under Section 401 of the CWA, should submit written comments by May 25, 2011 to this address:

Tim Pilon

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation

610 University Avenue,

Fairbanks, Alaska 99709

or via email at Tim.Pilon@alaska.gov

Administrative Record

Documents available for download:

- [Statement of Basis for proposed effluent limitations \(PDF\)](#) (36 pp, 874K)
- [Red Dog Mine Draft Permit \(PDF\)](#) (34 pp, 265K)

The proposed NPDES permit and other related documents are on file and may be inspected at the EPA Region 10 office any time between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The documents are also available at:	
U.S. EPA Region 10 1200 6th Avenue, Suite 900 Seattle, WA 98101	EPA Alaska Operations Office, Room 537, Federal Building, 222 West 7th Avenue, #19, Anchorage, Alaska 99513
Copies and other information may be requested by writing to the EPA at the above addresses to the attention of the NPDES Permits Unit, by sending an e-mail to Washington.Audrey@epa.gov or godsey.cindi@epa.gov or by calling (206) 553-0523.	

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