

PUBLIC NOTICE
OLYMPIC REGION CLEAN AIR AGENCY (ORCAA)
NOTICE OF CONSTRUCTION AND APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL (NOC)
NOC # 08NOC590
April 15, 2008

PERMIT APPLICANT:

Ocean Protein, LLC
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PERMITTING AGENCY:

Olympic Region Clean Air Agency
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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE: Pursuant to Rule 6.1.3 of ORCAA's Regulations, notice is hereby given of ORCAA's preliminary decision to approve a Notice of Construction (NOC) application by Ocean Protein, LLC (Ocean Protein) to modify the odor control system at the Ocean Protein fishmeal production facility at 518 22nd Street in Hoquiam. On **Wednesday May 21, 2008**, at the Hoquiam High School, an informal informational session will begin at **6:00 p.m.** followed by a formal public hearing at 6:30 p.m. The hearing will be conducted by ORCAA to gather testimony regarding air quality concerns associated with the proposed odor control modifications at the fishmeal production facility. The hearing will be conducted in the **Little Theatre at Hoquiam High School** located at 501 W. Emerson in Hoquiam, Washington.

PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION: Ocean Protein proposes three significant modifications to existing odor control equipment aimed at improving overall odor control efficiency. The existing Regenerative Thermal Oxidizer (RTO) will be improved by adding a booster fan to aid in purging exhaust gases while the unit cycles between preheat chambers. This improvement is intended to eliminate the potential for short bursts of odors while the preheat beds are being cycled. Second, a capture fan will be added to the fish scrap receiving area to better capture fugitive odors from fish receiving operations. Lastly, a new odor control device will be added downstream of the existing RTO and scrubbers. The new device will use a non-thermal plasma process to remove pollutants and will generate minor amounts of ozone as a consequence. Ozone is a regulated air pollutant and will be required to be monitored and regulated to acceptable levels.

ORCAA completed a preliminary review of Ocean Protein's proposal and has determined that the proposed modifications will likely improve odor control at the facility. On this basis, ORCAA's Preliminary Determination is to approve Ocean Protein's NOC application.

AVAILABILITY: Copies of ORCAA's Preliminary Determination and Ocean Protein's NOC application are on file and available for review at the Hoquiam Timberland Library located at 420 7th Street in Hoquiam, and at ORCAA's office in Olympia. ORCAA's Preliminary Determination is also accessible via the New Source Review section of ORCAA's website at www.orcaa.org/NSRcomment.html.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Comments on this case may be submitted to ORCAA in writing. Written comments should be addressed to ORCAA, 2940 B Limited Lane NW, Olympia, WA 98502, and will be accepted now through the end of the public hearing. Comments that may be considered by ORCAA in these proceedings are those pertaining to air quality implications of the proposed action.

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