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Olympic Region Clean Air Agency
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DATE: February 27, 2024
ATTENTION: Lauren Whybrew
CONTRACT NO:
RE: 24NOC1632 Data Request #1

Dear Lauren:

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DESCRIPTION
Technical Memorandum from Landau Associates addressing 24NOC1632 Data Request #1

REMARKS:

Please find enclosed the Technical Memorandum from Landau Associates addressing 24NOC1632 Data Request #1.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you,

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TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

TO:

Lauren Whybrew, Olympic Region Clean Air Agency

FROM:

Eric Albright

DATE:

February 22, 2024

RE:

Response to Incompleteness

Lakeside Industries - Durgin Road

Olympia, Washington Project No. 1220006.020

INTRODUCTION

Landau Associates (Landau) has prepared this technical memorandum on behalf of Lakeside Industries, Inc. (Lakeside) in response to a letter from the Olympic Region Clean Air Agency (ORCAA) dated January 25, 2024, which indicates that a Notice of Construction (NOC) application that was submitted by Lakeside to make changes to the existing hot-mix asphalt (HMA) facility located at 11125 Durgin Road SE in Olympia, Washington (facility) has been deemed incomplete. The NOC application, which ORCAA has designated NOC Application No. 24NOC1632, is a request for ORCAA to issue an Order of Approval to allow Lakeside to use up to 40 percent reclaimed asphalt pavement (RAP) as raw material when producing asphalt at the facility.

INFORMATION REQUEST RESPONSES

The following addresses the information requests attached to the January 25 letter and should be considered an addendum to NOC Application No. 24NOC1632:

1. Air Pollutant Emissions Assessment: The planned changes to the facility are to allow for the addition of RAP to the asphalt mixes produced by the facility. These changes include installation and use of a covered structure where RAP will be stored, a RAP feed bin, and a conveyor that will receive RAP from the RAP feed bin and direct it into the existing asphalt drum dryer/mixer. No modifications to the facility's drum dryer/mixer are necessary for it to receive RAP because it was originally designed and constructed to incorporate RAP into the asphalt mixes it produces.

HMA is a combination of aggregate and liquid asphalt cement (AC) binder that is mixed at an elevated temperature to form a hard, strong pavement construction material. Asphalt pavement that must be replaced is removed and transported to an HMA facility capable of reclaiming and recycling the reusable RAP. For RAP to replace a portion of the aggregate used for HMA production, it must be processed (i.e., crushed and screened) to a size that can be effectively introduced to the drum dryer/mixer. Typically, HMA is 95 percent aggregate and 5 percent AC. Lakeside plans to replace up to a maximum of 40 percent of the aggregate with RAP, but the fraction of RAP in any given batch of HMA produced at the facility could be less than 40 percent depending on the HMA composition specified by the customer.

The crusher that will be used to process RAP at the facility is a portable unit contracted by Lakeside to visit the facility periodically to resize RAP delivered to the facility. The portable crusher operates under a General Rock Crusher Approval Order issued to the equipment owner by ORCAA; therefore, emissions from the RAP-crushing activities are not considered part of the planned changes to the asphalt plant equipment and are not included in the NOC application. Two handling operations will be needed to move RAP from the storage pile to the drum dryer/mixer. A wheeled front-end loader will be used to pick the RAP up from the storage pile in the covered structure and deposit it into the RAP feed bin. The RAP in the bottom of the feed bin will be deposited onto a conveyor that will transport the RAP to a mixing chamber in the drum that is designed specifically to receive RAP. The covered structure in which RAP will be stored, the RAP bin, and the conveyor used to deliver RAP to the drum dryer/mixer are not expected to be sources of fugitive emissions because handling RAP generates negligible amounts of fugitive dust. This is because the AC used to create the HMA that becomes RAP encapsulates any fines present in the aggregate that was used to produce the HMA. These encapsulated fines are not prone to entrainment and, therefore, RAP crushed to the size used for HMA production is not a source of fugitive dust.

Potential to emit (PTE) calculations for the planned changes were completed using a spreadsheet, a printout of which is provided in Attachment A. Although handling of RAP generates much less fugitive dust than handling of aggregate, Equation 1 in the US Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) AP-42 (Compilation of Air Emissions Factors from Stationary Sources) Chapter 13.2.4 (Aggregate Handling and Storage Piles) was used to calculate maximum potential emissions from the planned RAP-handling operations, meaning the calculated emissions should be considered conservative estimates. The mean wind speed for the equation (6.7 meters per second) is the average wind speed measured from 1987 through 1991 at the National Weather Service (NWS) meteorological station located at Olympia Airport, which is approximately 8 miles southwest of the facility. The moisture content for the equation (4.0 percent) is based on an estimate of typical RAP moisture content by Lakeside operations personnel. The calculated PTE attributable to the planned changes is summarized in the table below:

Pollutant	PTE (tpy)	Exemption Threshold (tpy)
PM (TSP)	0.16	1.25
PM ₁₀	0.074	0.75
PM _{2.5}	0.011	0.50

PTE = potential to emit

tpy = tons per year

PM = particulate matter

TSP = total suspended particulates

PM₁₀ = particulate matter less than 10 microns

PM_{2.5} = particulate matter less than 2.5 microns

It should be noted that the planned changes are expected to decrease actual emissions attributable to the facility. Because the maximum hourly, daily, and annual asphalt production rates of the facility will not increase as a result of the planned changes, RAP usage will reduce the quantities of both virgin aggregate and virgin AC required to produce HMA. Emissions

generated from RAP-handling operations are understood to be less than those generated by aggregate-handling operations, and the AC contained in the RAP reduces the quantity of AC that must be added to the mixing chamber of the drum to produce HMA.

- 2. Toxic Air Pollutant Analysis: The planned changes to the facility are not expected to increase emissions of any toxic air pollutants (TAPs). Because TAP emissions will not increase, no demonstration of compliance with the regulations in Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-460 is required.
- 3. Ambient Air Quality Analysis: As shown in the table above, the total PTE attributable to the planned changes to the facility are less than the new source review (NSR) emission exemption thresholds provided in WAC 173-400-110(5). While we understand that these thresholds have not been adopted by ORCAA, we believe that a project with PTE less than those thresholds can be assumed to be *de minimis*. With this understanding, we believe that an air dispersion modeling analysis to predict increases in ambient pollutant concentrations and to demonstrate that the planned changes do not have the potential to cause or contribute to violation of an ambient air quality standard is not necessary.
- 4. Best Available Control Technology: Each emission unit that will increase emissions of a regulated pollutant must employ Best Available Control Technology (BACT) to minimize the emission increases. The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) has issued a guidance document that includes an outline of the concept of "presumptive BACT." While we understand that ORCAA has not adopted this guidance document nor issued a similar guidance document, the concept of presumptive BACT is a valid approach for the development of a BACT proposal for an emission unit type for which BACT determinations have been made by permitting agencies.

BACT analyses for HMA facilities in Washington State have typically focused on the drum dryer/mixer, AC storage tanks, asphalt storage silos, drag conveyor, and truck loading. These are the emission units of greatest concern because they generate most of the emissions associated with an HMA facility. Because fugitive dust emissions from RAP storage and handling are, as demonstrated by the PTE calculations summarized in the table above, *de minimis*, they are frequently not addressed by BACT analyses. In fact, the Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT)/BACT/Lowest Achievable Emission Rate (LAER) Clearinghouse (RBLC) does not contain any entries for material storage or handling operations at HMA facilities. However, the RBLC contains several BACT determinations for storage and handling of material other than RAP; a summary of the results from an RBLC search that covered the past 10 years is attached (Attachment B).

In summary, the emission reduction alternatives include the following:

- Good work practices/follow dust control/minimization plan
- Wet suppression for virgin aggregate processing operations

The facility's Operations & Maintenance (O&M) Plan includes operational fugitive dust minimization measures employed at the facility. This plan outlines good work practices that are used to minimize fugitive dust, including how and when they are to be applied to be most effective. The covered RAP storage structure, as well as the RAP feed bin and conveyor, do not feature integrated water spray equipment, but water is applied on an as-needed basis and the encapsulation of the fines by AC minimizes the quantity of dust available in the RAP to become airborne fugitive dust.

Based on the RBLC search results outlined above, Landau proposes presumptive BACT for RAP storage and handling is use of the good work practices, which are outlined in the facility's O&M Plan.

USE OF THIS TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

This technical memorandum has been prepared for the exclusive use of Lakeside Industries for specific application to the Durgin Road project. No other party is entitled to rely on the information, conclusions, and recommendations included in this document without the express written consent of Landau. Further, the reuse of information, conclusions, and recommendations provided herein for extensions of the project or for any other project, without review and authorization by Landau, shall be at the user's sole risk. Landau warrants that within the limitations of scope, schedule, and budget, our services have been provided in a manner consistent with that level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by members of the profession currently practicing in the same locality under similar conditions as this project. We make no other warranty, either express or implied.

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Please let me know if you have any questions. I can be reached by phones at (206) 631-8691 (office) or (206) 909-0591 (mobile), or via email at ealbright@landauinc.com.

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Attachments: A – Emission Calculations

B - RBLC Search Results Summary

Emission Calculations

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Lakeside Industries - Durgin Rd. HMA Plant

- Fugitive Emissions from aggregate storage piles

Max Hourly Production

300 T/hr

Max Daily Production

7,200 Tons/day

Max Annual Production

300,000 Tons/yr (Proposed Throughput Limit)

95% T/hr is Aggregate & RAP/RAS =

285 T/hr

40% T/hr is RAP/RAS =

120 T/hr

95% T/day is Aggregate & RAP/RAS = 95% T/yr is Aggregate & RAP/RAS =

6,840 T/day 285,000 T/yr 40% T/day is RAP/RAS = 40% T/yr is RAP/RAS =

2,880 T/day 120,000 T/yr

- aggregate and RAP/RAS are approximately 95 percent (by weight) of the total HMA, the remaining 5 percent (by weight)

is asphalt cement.

Aggregate Front-end Loader Drop Points, AP-42 13.2.4 (11/06)

 $E = k (0.0032) \times (U/5)^{1.3} / (M/2)^{1.4} =$

1.31E-03 lb/ton for PM

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9.38E-05 lb/ton for PM_{2.5}

k = particle size multiplier

0.74 for PM

0.35 for PM₁₀

0.053 for PM₂₅

U = mean wind speed

6.7 mph

U.U53 for PIVI₂

Average wind speed at Olympia Airport NWS station (1987 - 1991) - (the range of wind speeds for which the emission factor equation is valid is 0.6 m/s to 6.7 m/s)

M = moisture content

4.0 %

Represtative moisture content of RAP (the range of moisture contents for which the emission factor equation is valid is 0.25% to 4.8%)

6.19E-04 lb/ton for PM₁₀

2 Transfer Points

Aggregate Front End Loader Drop Points

Pick up from storage pile and drop into bin:

120 T/hr

	Emission Factor	Emissions I	Per Transfer Point	Total Emissions		
Pollutant	(lb/ton)	Emissions (lb/hr)	Emissions (T/yr)	Emissions (lb/hr)	Emissions (T/yr)	
PM	1.31E-03	0.16	0.079	0.31	0.16	
PM ₁₀	6.19E-04	0.074	0.037	0.15	0.074	
PM _{2.5}	9.38E-05	0.011	0.0056	0.023	0.011	

RBLC Search Results Summary

					Permit					
					Issuance					
RBLC ID	Facility Name	Company	County	State	Date	Process	Pollutant	BACT	Emission Limit	Basis
						Fugitive			1.1 tpy PM,	
	Shell Rock Soy	Shell Rock Soy	5			Particulate			0.051 tpy PM10,	
IA-0117	Processing	Processing	Grundy	IA	3/17/2021	Sources	PM	None	0.007 tpy PM2.5	BACT-PSD
						Bulk Material	THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY O	Wet suppression		
	Direct Reduced	Nucor Steel	St. James			Storage Piles and	PM10,	and minimize		
LA-0384	Iron Facility	Louisiana, LLC	Parish	LA	6/13/2019] ~	PM2.5	handling	None	BACT-PSD
								Good work		
						Raw Material	Filterable	practices and		
						Handling and	PM,	follow dust		
						Maintenance	Filterable	minimization		
SC-0196	Darlington Plant	Nucor Corp.	Darlington	sc	4/29/2019	Activities	PM10	plan.	None	BACT-PSD
								Best Practical		
								Methods/Fugitive	:	
					·			Dust Control Plan		
	Donlin Gold		Bethel			Material Loading	PM, PM10,	(includes water		
AK-0084	Project	Donlin Gold, LLC	Census Area	AK	6/30/2017	and Unloading	PM2.5	spray)	530 tpy	BACT-PSD
		NECESTICAL CONTRACTOR OF THE C						Best Practical		
								Methods /		
						Frankling Door		Fugitive Dust		
	Donlin Cold		Dathal			Fugitive Dust	DM DM40	Control Plan		
AV 0004	Donlin Gold	B 1: 0 11 0	Bethel	 	0/20/25:-	from Wind	PM, PM10,	(includes		DA OT DOO
AK-0084	Project	Donlin Gold, LLC	Census Area	AK	6/30/2017	Erosion	PM2.5	applying water)	32 tpy	BACT-PSD