NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND AVAILABILITY:

PROPOSED RULEMAKING TO NEW JERSEY’S CONTROL AND PROHIBITION OF MERCURY EMISSIONS
N.J.A.C. 7:27-27 and N.J.A.C. 7:27A-3.10

Take notice that the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Department) is proposing new rules and amendments to set forth the requirements and procedures for the control and prohibition of air pollution from mercury emissions. The Department is also proposing related amendments to Air Administrative Procedures and Penalties. These new rules and amendments would establish new requirements for municipal solid waste (MSW) incinirators, hospital/medical/infectious waste (HMIW) incinerators, iron or steel melters, and coal-fired boilers, in order to prevent or decrease emissions of mercury from these operations by requiring MSW incinerators to further reduce their mercury emissions, by ensuring that the mercury emissions from HMIW incinerators will be maintained at low levels, and by requiring the mercury emissions from iron or steel melters and coal-fired boilers to be reduced.

The Department’s proposal will appear in the January 5, 2004 New Jersey Register. A copy of the proposal is now available for inspection, as described more fully below. A public hearing concerning the Department’s proposed revision is scheduled as follows:

Thursday, March 4, 2004 at 10:00 a.m.
401 E. State Street
Public Hearing Room, First Floor, East Wing
Trenton, New Jersey

This hearing is being held in accordance with the provisions of the Air Pollution Control Act (1954), N.J.S.A. 26:2C; and the Administrative Procedure Act, N.J.S.A. 52:14B. Written comments may be submitted until close of business Friday, March 5, 2004, to:

NJ Department of Environmental Protection
Alice Previte, Esq.
Attn: DEP Docket # 30-03-12/340
Office of Legal Affairs
P.O. Box 402
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0402

The following are options for obtaining a copy of the proposed rule revision:
1. Visit the DEP’s website at: http://www.nj.gov/dep/aqm, where Air Quality Management rules, proposals, adoptions and SIP revisions are available. The Department’s proposed rule revision can be viewed or downloaded from the following url: http://www.nj.gov/dep/aqm/whatsnew.htm.

2. Look for the Department’s proposal in the January 5, 2004, issue of the New Jersey Register.

3. Go and inspect the proposed rule revision during normal office hours at any of these locations:

   DEP Public Information Center
   401 E. State Street, 1st Floor
   Trenton, New Jersey 08625

   DEP Bureau of Enforcement
   Northern Region
   1259 Route 46 East
   Parsippany, N.J. 07054-4191

   DEP Bureau of Enforcement
   Central Region
   Horizon Center, P.O. Box 407
   Robbinsville, N.J. 08625-0407

   DEP Bureau of Enforcement
   Southern Region
   2 Riverside Drive, Suite 201
   Camden, N.J. 08103

   DEP Bureau of Enforcement
   Metropolitan Region
   2 Babcock Place
   West Orange, N.J. 07052-5504

   Atlantic City Public Library
   1 North Tennessee Avenue
   Atlantic City, N.J. 08401

   Trenton Public Library
   120 Academy Street
   Trenton, N.J. 08608

   Penns Grove/Carney’s Point Public Library Association
   222 South Broad Street
   Penns Grove, N.J. 08069

   Newark Public Library
   5 Washington Street
   P.O. Box 630
   Newark, N.J. 07102-0630

   New Brunswick Free Public Library
   60 Livingston Avenue
   New Brunswick, N.J. 08901

   Burlington County Library
   3 Pioneer Blvd. and Woodlane Rd.
   Mt. Holly, N.J. 08060

   Ms. Ellen Calhoun
   Library of Science and Medicine, Rutgers University
   P.O. Box 1029
   Piscataway, N.J. 08855-1029
Joint Free Public Library  Freehold Public Library
Morristown & Morris County  28½ East Main Street
1 Miller Road  Freehold, N.J. 07728
Morristown, N.J. 07960

Burlington City Library  Camden Free Public Library
23 West Union Street  418 Fredericks Street
Burlington, N.J. 08016  Camden, N.J. 08103

Perth Amboy Public Library  Somerville Public Library
193 Jefferson Street  35 W. End Avenue
Perth Amboy, N.J. 08861  Somerville, N.J. 08876

Toms River Public Library  Alexander Library
101 Washington Street  Rutgers University, 169 College Avenue
Toms River, N.J. 08753-7625  New Brunswick, NJ 08901

4. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS: For further information on how to view or obtain a copy of the proposal is available from:

   Bureau of Pre-Construction Permits
   NJDEP Air Quality Permitting Element
   401 E. State Street, 2nd Floor
   P.O. Box 027
   Trenton, NJ 08625-027
   phone: (609) 633-2829 and (609) 984-3023
   fax: (609) 984-6369

If you have any questions concerning the proposed rule revision, please contact Sunila Agrawal at (609) 292-9202 or Sunila.Agrawal@dep.state.nj.us by e-mailing or by mailing or faxing the attached form to her as indicated on the form.
MAIL OR FAX THIS RULE PROPOSAL REQUEST FORM TO:

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