

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
AIR RESOURCES DIVISION
CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE
PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT PERIOD

Pursuant to the New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules, Env-A 202.05 *Notice of Petition*, notice is hereby given that the Director of the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Air Resources Division (Director), has received a Petition for a Variance ("Petition") from:

Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics Corporation ("Saint-Gobain")
701 Daniel Webster Highway
Merrimack, NH

Saint-Gobain has requested a variance of the February 11, 2021, deadline ("Deadline"), set pursuant to RSA 125-C:10-e and the terms of Temporary Permit No. TP-0256 (the "Permit") issued on February 11, 2020 by the Department of Environmental Services, Air Resources Division ("Department") to Saint-Gobain, to complete construction and installation of the Regenerative Thermal Oxidizer.

Saint-Gobain has requested that a variance be granted for one year from the Deadline, such that it is extended until February 11, 2022, or in the alternative, for one year from the date of a final, non-appealable order disposing of the Town of Merrimack's appeal of the Permit to the NH Air Resources Council (NH ARC Appeal Docket No. 20-05 ARC - Town of Merrimack, NH Appeal), whichever is earlier.

In accordance with Env-A 202.05, the Department is issuing this public notice of receipt of the Petition, for the purpose of receiving public comment.

In addition, in accordance with Env-A 202.06 *Public Hearing*, the Department will conduct a public hearing to receive comments on the Petition. **Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Department will conduct an online public hearing at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 5, 2020. The public hearing will be held using virtual meeting software. Participants may also participate by phone. Details for participating in the public hearing can be found at: <https://www4.des.state.nh.us/nh-pfas-investigation/>.**

The Petition is on file with the Director, New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Air Resources Division, 29 Hazen Drive, P.O. Box 95, Concord, NH 03302-0095. Information may be reviewed at the office during working hours from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Please note that, since there is currently limited public access to the Department's office at 29 Hazen Drive due to the COVID-19 pandemic, an appointment is strongly encouraged. However, the Petition and associated cover letter have also been posted to

the Department's website and are available for download at <https://www4.des.state.nh.us/nh-pfas-investigation/?p=1235>, or via the Department's OneStop website at <http://www4.des.state.nh.us/OneStopPub/Air/330110016506042020TypeCR.pdf> and <http://www4.des.state.nh.us/OneStopPub/Air/330110016506042020TypeCF.pdf>.

If you require special accommodations for the public hearing, or need additional information, please contact **Catherine Beahm** at the above address, by phone at (603) 271-6793, or via email at Catherine.Beahm@des.nh.gov.

Comments received at the August 5, 2020 public hearing, in addition to written comments filed with the Director in accordance with Env-A 203.02 (*Public Participation in Non-Adjudicative Hearings*) and received no later than **Wednesday, August 5, 2020**, shall be considered by the Director in making a final decision.

Craig A. Wright
Director
Air Resources Division