

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### DRAFT Indirect Discharge Permit ID-9-0055

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** June 27, 2016 to July 26, 2016

#### PERMITTEE INFORMATION

PERMITTEE NAME: Grafton Village Cheese Company  
AND ADDRESS: 400 Linden Street  
Brattleboro, VT 05301

PERMIT NUMBER: ID-9-0055  
PIN: NS93-0006

#### DISCHARGE INFORMATION

TYPE OF WASTES: Whey and Washwater from Dairy Processing

DISPOSAL LIMIT: 5,500,000 gallons per year

TOWNS: Grafton, Newfane, Townshend, Brookline, Rockingham,  
Brattleboro, Vernon, Putney, Dummerston  
and Westminster

DRAINAGE BASINS: Saxtons River, West River, Connecticut River

PERMIT EXPIRATION DATE: December 31, 2020

#### DESCRIPTION

This is a proposed indirect discharge permit renewal which the Department of Environmental Conservation proposes to issue to the Grafton Village Cheese Company for the discharge of dairy processing whey and washwater to approved agricultural fields, manure pits and an anaerobic digester located in the towns listed above. The process wastewater discharges to groundwater and indirectly to a receiving stream. A list of the approved disposal fields, manure pits and anaerobic digester, daily and annual disposal limits and the corresponding receiving streams are specified in Attachments A, A-1, A-2 and B of the indirect discharge permit.

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**TENTATIVE DETERMINATIONS**

Tentative determinations regarding effluent limitations and other conditions to be imposed on the pending Vermont permit have been made by the State of Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (VANR). The limitations imposed will assure that the Vermont Water Quality Standards and applicable provisions of 10 V.S.A. Chapter 47 will be met.

**FURTHER INFORMATION**

The complete application, draft permit, and other information are on file and may be inspected at the VANR office in Montpelier, Vermont. The draft permit may be viewed and downloaded from our website at <http://dec.vermont.gov/water/public-notices/draft-permits>. Copies, obtained by calling (802) 505-0972 will be made at a cost of 10 cents per page from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday - Friday.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS/PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Public comments to the proposed permit are invited and should be submitted in writing prior to **4:30 p.m. July 26, 2016** to the Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation, 1 National Life Drive - Main 2, Montpelier, VT 05620-3521. Any person, prior to such date, may submit a request in writing to this office for an informal public hearing to consider the proposed permit. A hearing will be held only if response to this notice indicates significant public interest. The permit number (**ID-9-0055**) should appear next to the VANR address on the envelope and on the first page of any submitted comments. All comments received prior to the above date will be considered in formulation of the final determinations.

Comments may also be submitted by e-mail to [ANR.DWGWPDraftPermitComments@vermont.gov](mailto:ANR.DWGWPDraftPermitComments@vermont.gov). Be sure to include the permit number, **ID-9-0055**, in the subject line of the e-mail message and submit the comments by **4:30 p.m. July 26, 2016**.

**FINAL/ACTION APPEAL**

At the conclusion of the public notice period and after consideration of additional information received during the public notice period, the VANR will make a final determination to issue or to deny the permit. Pursuant to 10 V.S.A. Chapter 220, any appeal of this decision must be filed with the clerk of the Environmental Court within 30 days of the date of the decision. The appellant must attach the applicable filing fee to the Notice of Appeal, made payable to the State of Vermont.

The Notice of Appeal must specify the parties taking the appeal and the statutory provision under which each party claims party status; must designate the act or decision appealed from; must name the Environmental Court; and must be signed by the appellant or their attorney. In addition, the appeal must give the address or location and description of the property, project or facility with which the appeal is concerned and the name of the applicant or any permit involved in the appeal.

The appellant must also serve a copy of the Notice of Appeal in accordance with Rule 5(b)(4)(B) of the Vermont Rules for Environmental Court Proceedings.

For further information, see the Vermont Rules for Environmental Court Proceedings, available online at [www.vermontjudiciary.org](http://www.vermontjudiciary.org). The address for the Court is Vermont Superior Court – Environmental Division, 32 Cherry Street, Suite 303, Burlington, VT 05401 (Tel. # 802-951-1740).

Commissioner  
Department of Environmental Conservation