

State of Vermont

AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Department of Environmental Conservation
Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division
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PUBLIC NOTICE

DRAFT Indirect Discharge Permit ID-9-0317-2

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD January 17, 2018 – January 26, 2018

PERMITTEE INFORMATION

PERMITTEE NAME: Vermont Hard Cider dba Green Mountain

Beverage

ADDRESS: 1321 Exchange Street

Middlebury, VT 05753

PERMIT NUMBER: ID-9-0317-2 PIN: RU96-0266

DISCHARGE INFORMATION

TYPE OF WASTES: Tank residual (lees), waste cider and beer,

fruit juice residual

WASTE GENERATED: Approx. 4,800 gallons per week

DISPOSAL LOCATION: Anaerobic digester at Monument Farms

DISPOSAL LIMIT: 250,000 gallons per year

DRAINAGE BASIN: Otter Creek EXPIRATION DATE: June 30, 2019

DESCRIPTION

This is a public notice for a draft indirect discharge permit amendment which the Department of Environmental Conservation proposes to issue to Vermont Hard Cider dba Green Mountain Beverage to increase the limit of high strength process wastewater discharged to the Monument Farms anaerobic digester in Weybridge, Vermont from 200,000 gallons per year to 250,000 gallons per year, and to add fruit juice residual to the list of approved wastes for disposal at Monument Farms.

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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 may also be obtained by calling (802) 477-3312 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. January **26**, **2018** 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-9-0317-2**) 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 Be sure to include the permit number, ID-9-0317-2, in the subject line of the e-mail message and submit the comments by 4:30 p.m. January 26, 2018.

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 making 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. 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