

PUBLIC NOTICE
PUGET SOUND CLEAN AIR AGENCY
PROPOSED ORDER OF APPROVAL
and
DRAFT AIR OPERATING PERMIT

Applicant:
Vigor Shipyards, LLC.
1801 16th Avenue SW
Seattle, WA 98134

Puget Sound Clean Air Agency (the Agency) is seeking comments on a proposed Notice of Construction Order of Approval (NOC No. 12022) and draft Air Operating Permit (Permit No. 12539) for Vigor Shipyards, LLC., located at 1801 16th Avenue SW, Seattle, WA 98134. This facility is a shipyard specializing in commercial and military vessel repair, overhaul and construction. The facility has abrasive blasting to remove paint and prepare surfaces, painting operations and natural gas combustion equipment. Facility operations result in releases of volatile organic compounds, hazardous air pollutants, oxides of nitrogen, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, and particulate matter.

The proposed Order of Approval amends an existing permit to increase the nickel and crystalline silica content of the abrasive blast media used. While the total amount of abrasive blast media to be applied and the nickel and crystalline silica maximum content of the blast media are being increased, an updated abrasive blasting emission calculation methodology was used. The change results in project emissions lower than those reviewed previously. This proposed Order of Approval is included in this Public Notice for comments with the draft Air Operating Permit because the previous order of approval cannot be modified in the operating permit through a Notice of Construction decision alone.

An Air Operating Permit is a document that combines all air pollution-related requirements for operation and procedures, applicable rules, emission standards, monitoring, recordkeeping, and reporting. The draft Air Operating Permit is a renewal of the current Vigor permit that is already in force. Air Operating Permits expire every five years and need to be renewed. This renewal incorporates all the new compliance requirements that have come into effect for Vigor since the previous permit was issued.

Copies of the draft Air Operating Permit, the application, and all supporting materials are available for review on the Agency's website at:

<https://pscleanair.gov/175/Permits-Open-for-Comment>

The Agency will accept comments on this permit starting January 10, 2023 until February 9, 2023.

Send comments by e-mail to: **PublicComment@pscleanair.gov**

Send written comments to:

Air Operating Permit Program
Puget Sound Clean Air Agency
1904 Third Ave, Suite 105
Seattle, WA 98101

A public hearing may be held if the Agency determines that there is significant public interest. Requests for a public hearing must be submitted within the comment period. Any such request for a public hearing must indicate the interest of the person or organization filing it, and describe why a hearing is necessary.

This Notice is published pursuant to the Washington State Clean Air Act (Chapter 70A.15 RCW and WAC 173-401-800). The Air Operating Permit is issued pursuant to Chapter 173-401 WAC and Title V of the Federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990.

Air Operating Permits are also subject to review and approval by US EPA. If a public comment is sent to the Agency for this permit, and the Agency has not addressed the comment in a satisfactory manner, and the EPA has not objected to the proposed permit, then the public may submit a petition requesting that the EPA reconsider the decision not to object. Petitions shall be submitted electronically to US EPA at TitleVPetitions@epa.gov or by mail to US EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Air Quality Policy Division, Operating Permits Group Leader, 109 T.W. Alexander Dr. (C-504-01), Research Triangle Park, NC 27711. Petitions shall be submitted within 60 days after the end of the 45-day EPA review period. The EPA review period for this permit starts no earlier than February 10, 2023.

This notice will appear in the following publications on January 10, 2023:

- Daily Journal of Commerce
- Seattle Times