

**WASHINGTON STATE
ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL (EFSEC)**

PUBLIC NOTICE

For the

**TENTATIVE DETERMINATION TO ISSUE THE
PROPOSED NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM
(NPDES) WASTE DISCHARGE PERMIT RENEWAL**

For

GRAYS HARBOR ENERGY CENTER

In accordance with Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 80.50 and RCW 90.48, and Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 463-76-005 and WAC 463-76-010(27) **NOTICE** is hereby given that the Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) has made a tentative determination to issue for public comment the NPDES Waste Discharge Permit renewal for Grays Harbor Energy Center (GHEC), 401 Keys Road, Elma, Washington, 98541. Permit compliance will be governed by applicable provisions of RCW 80.50, RCW 90.48, WAC 463-76, and WAC 463-70.

The facility is an electrical power generating plant capable of producing a maximum output of 650 megawatts. GHEC runs intermittently as a peaking plant, whenever market conditions are economically advantageous. GHEC treats wastewater generated onsite and discharges it to the Chehalis River. The renewal permit provides coverage for industrial activities conducted by the facility. Also included in the tentative determination is a Fact Sheet, which summarizes the Permit conditions.

Public Participation

The NPDES Waste Discharge Permit and Permit Fact Sheet are available for public comment. These documents may be viewed at the EFSEC website: <https://www.efsec.wa.gov/energy-facilities/grays-harbor-energy-center/grays-harbor-energy-center-permits>. Copies of these documents are also available for review at the EFSEC office located at 1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW, Olympia, WA.

Comments on the proposed permit documents will be accepted from April 22, 2019-May 21, 2019.

Written comments can be submitted by mail to:
The Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council
PO Box 43172
Olympia, WA 98504-3172

Comments can be submitted electronically online by visiting the EFSEC website: <https://www.efsec.wa.gov/energy-facilities/grays-harbor-energy-center/grays-harbor-energy-center-permits>. The link to the public comment submission form may be found here.

After the conclusion of the 30 day comment period, EFSEC will consider all comments received before making a final determination on whether or not to issue the permit.

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