PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice to the public is hereby given that the Southwest Clean Air Agency (SWCAA) has made a preliminary determination to issue Regulatory Order number 16-3202 to TransAlta Centralia Generation to establish a new hourly sulfur dioxide (SO2) emission limit for the coal-fired boilers at their facility at 913 Big Hanaford Road, Centralia, WA. This Regulatory Order is in response to a request by TransAlta Centralia Generation to establish the limit to ensure that SO2 emissions from the facility will not cause or contribute to an exceedance of the ambient air quality standard for SO2 issued by the Environmental Protection Agency in 2010. Washington subsequently adopted this same standard in state rules. This new standard is significantly more stringent than previous SO2 standards.

Copies of the draft Regulatory Order are available for review at 11815 NE 99th Street, Suite 1294, Vancouver, Washington, Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. An electronic copy is available for review in the permit section of SWCAA's internet website (http://www.swcleanair.org/permits/publiccomments.asp). This material will be made available in other media, if necessary. All written or oral comments must be received by SWCAA within 30 days after the date of publication. Final action by SWCAA to approve, modify, or deny the proposal will be taken within 10 days after the close of the comment period. If there is a demonstrated significant public interest, a public meeting may be held at the close of the public comment period.

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